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THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

STATED MEETING.

Tuesday, February 25, 1908, 1.30 o'clock p. m.

The Board met in the Aldermanic Chamber, City Hall.

Present:

Hon. Patrick F. McGowan, President of the Board of Aldermen.

Aldermen

Thomas F. Baldwin,	Patrick F. Flynn,	John J. McDonald,
Thomas F. Barton,	John Sylvester Gaynor,	Adolf Moskowitz,
Francis P. Bent,	Bernhard Goldschmidt,	Otto Muhlbauer,
Herman W. Beyer,	Henry F. Grimm,	John J. F. Mulcahy,
B. W. B. Brown,	John D. Gunther,	Thomas J. Mulligan,
James W. Brown,	Edward V. Handy,	John Mulvaney,
L. Barton Case,	William J. Heffernan,	Arthur H. Murphy,
Charles P. Cole,	John J. Hickey,	Percival E. Nagle,
Daniel R. Coleman,	James J. Hines,	James J. Nugent,
George A. Colgan,	Frederick C. Hochdorffer,	John W. O'Reilly,
William P. Corbett,	John J. Hogan,	Lewis M. Potter,
Percy L. Davis,	Tristam B. Johnson,	John J. Reardon,
Charles Delaney,	Joseph D. Kavanagh,	James W. Redmond,
John Diemer,	William P. Kenneally,	D. S. Rendt,
Reginald S. Doull,	Francis P. Kenney,	William P. Sandford,
Frank L. Dowling,	Max S. Levine,	Joseph Schloss,
Robert F. Downing,	Frederick Linde,	James J. Smith,
William Drescher,	John Loos,	Michael Stapleton,
George Emener,	James F. Martyn,	Alexander J. Stormont,
O. Grant Esterbrook,	Samuel Marx,	Jacob J. Velten,
James H. Finnigan,	Thomas J. McAleer,	John F. Walsh.

George Cromwell, President, Borough of Richmond.

Bird S. Coler, President, Borough of Brooklyn.

The Clerk then proceeded to read the minutes of the Stated Meeting of February 18, 1908.

On motion of Alderman Doull further reading was dispensed with and the minutes were approved as printed.

MESSAGES FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

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

No. 210.

City of New York, Office of the Mayor, {

February 24, 1908.

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

Gentlemen—I return herewith with my disapproval resolution enabling Theodore B. Starr to erect an awning, etc., in front of the premises No. 206 Fifth avenue, Borough of Manhattan.

If this resolution is to be regarded as a mere permission for the owner of these premises to erect an awning under the provisions of the general ordinance, namely, section 252 of the Revised Code, it is illegal, for the reason that such section specifically forbids the erection of any awnings on Fifth avenue in the Borough of Manhattan.

On the other hand, if it is to be regarded as an independent resolution it is illegal, in that it contravenes the provisions of section 50 of the Greater New York Charter, which prohibits the passage of special resolutions in regard to incumbrances upon public streets of the city.

Respectfully,

GEO. B. McCLELLAN, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Estate of Theodore B. Starr to erect a temporary awning or occasional rain protector, to be used only when required as a protection, in front of their premises No. 206 Fifth avenue, in the Borough of Manhattan, such awning to be erected in conformity with the ordinance in such case made and provided; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Board of Aldermen.

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

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

Nos. 219, 222, 223.

City of New York, Office of the Mayor, {

February 24, 1908.

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

Gentlemen—I return herewith with my disapproval resolutions adopted by your Honorable Board on February 11, 1908, permitting George W. Morris, F. Braunwarth and W. Cutler to suspend banners on the sidewalks in front of their respective premises.

As I stated in my message to your Honorable Board disapproving certain similar resolutions on February 14, 1908, the privilege of suspending banners upon public streets has heretofore been confined by custom to political and social organizations, and it would be unwise, in my judgment, to extend such privileges to private persons and corporations. As a matter of fact, I doubt whether the Board of Aldermen has any power to pass special resolutions of this character, in view of section 50 of the Charter.

Respectfully,

GEO. B. McCLELLAN, Mayor.

Resolved, That Geo. W. Morris be and is hereby granted permission to hang two canvas banners over the sidewalk, the said banners to be 2 by 6 feet, corner of Fulton and Smith streets, Jamaica, Fourth Ward, Borough of Queens, City of New York.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to F. Braunwarth to suspend a banner over the sidewalk in front of his premises No. 320 Central avenue, in the Borough of Brooklyn, such permission to continue only for a period of thirty days from the receipt hereof from his Honor the Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to W. Cutler to suspend a banner over the sidewalk in front of his premises No. 1295 Gates avenue, in the Borough of Brooklyn, such permission to continue only for a period of thirty days from the receipt hereof from his Honor the Mayor.

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

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Report of Committee on Rules—

No. 259.

The Committee on Rules, pursuant to instructions from the Board adopted February 18, 1908, begs to submit the following resolution:

Charles W. Kruger was appointed a member of the Fire Department on July 3, 1872, and during his thirty-six years of continual service, served in every branch of the uniformed force, including the position of Chief of Department. When a Foreman he was awarded the Stevens Medal for having the best disciplined company in the Department. Detailed from this city as the expert to direct the fire fighters at the great Baltimore conflagration it was his masterful handling of men and apparatus which prevented the destruction of the entire city. Time and again the public press has chronicled his unostentatious heroism, cool bravery and fearlessness in the performance of his duty. Although a strict disciplinarian, he was gentle and considerate to his subordinates, and much beloved by them. The whole course of his official life furnishes one of the most splendid examples of those noble characters who are undaunted when confronted by peril.

In recognition of his heroic deeds and faithfulness to duty which resulted in his death, the Board of Aldermen of The City of New York in meeting assembled, spreads this record upon its minutes and deeply deplores the untimely death of Charles W. Kruger, Deputy Chief of the Fire Department, whereby our City lost one of its best citizens and a most faithful and devoted servant.

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen hereby expresses the heartfelt sympathy of the people of this city to the bereaved family of the late Charles W. Kruger for their irreparable loss, and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these minutes, suitably engrossed and attested by his Honor the Mayor, the President of the Board of Aldermen, and the City Clerk, be forwarded to the family of the deceased.

R. S. DOULL, JOHN D. GUNTHNER, WM. P. KENNEALLY, FRANK L. DOWLING, Committee on Rules.

Which was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

MOTIONS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS.

Alderman Doull asked and obtained unanimous consent to introduce the following:

No. 260.

Whereas, It has come to the attention of the Board of Aldermen that a committee of our citizens, composed of Bishop Potter, Andrew Carnegie, Isidor Straus, Henry W. Taft, Cornelius N. Bliss, General Thomas L. James, Hugh Bonner, Egerton L. Winthrop, Jr., the Rev. Dr. Henry A. Brann, George W. Babb and Hamilton W. Mabie, has been organized for the purpose of collecting a large sum of money, part of which is to be used to erect in one of our parks a monument to Deputy Chief Charles W. Kruger and other members of the Fire Department who have lost their lives in the performance of their duty and the balance to be turned into the Pension Fund of the Fire Department so that the widows and children of the heroes may be assured of an income sufficiently adequate to provide for their comfort and education; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen does hereby most heartily commend the members of the Committee of the Kruger and Firemen's Memorial Fund for their public spirited action and does most earnestly indorse their project, which has for its noble purpose the fitting recognition in lasting form of the brave and fearless men, members of one of our most devoted departments, who have sacrificed themselves in their efforts to protect the lives and property of the citizens of New York, and who have never flinched in the face of any danger into which duty called them; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen does hereby urge all good citizens to give their support to this most worthy cause and contribute to it whatever sums their means will allow. We feel confident that the civic pride of our fellow men, together with that perhaps finer sentiment which prompts us to glorify the man who dies an heroic death, will be incentive enough to assure the success of the undertaking.

Which was adopted.

Alderman Dowling asked and obtained unanimous consent to introduce the following:

No. 261.

Whereas, The recent disastrous fires in The City of New York have demonstrated a heroism on the part of our fire fighters which should command more than passing notice; and

Whereas, The serious loss of life which our Fire Department has suffered is most appalling, and displays unmistakably the quality and zeal of the men enlisted in this branch of the City's service, therefore

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen, recognizing the spirit in which the people of our municipality regard the acts of bravery on the part of the rank and file of what has been too idly termed "the finest Fire Department of the world," herewith begins the establishment of a "Roll of Honor" upon its records, beginning with an official note of the following lamentable deaths:

Thomas F. Phillips, Fireman, No. 183 Spring street.

George A. O'Connor, Fireman, No. 72 Charlton street.

Killed in the performance of duty, January 10, 1908.

Thomas P. Eglinton, Fireman, No. 380 Eighteenth street, Brooklyn.

John J. McConnell, Fireman, No. 313 East Forty-third street.

Killed in the performance of duty, February 4, 1908.

Which was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

Alderman Mulcahy asked and obtained unanimous consent to introduce the following:

No. 262.

Whereas, Great cities have, in all ages, to their own honor and adornment, commemorated the shining deeds of those who have deserved well of their fellows, by enduring monuments, and

Whereas, This City has recognized the valor and fidelity of the martyrs of the Revolution and of the soldiers and sailors who fought in the War for the Preservation of the Union, by noble structures, thus establishing a precedent, and

Whereas, The Firemen of New York, whether of the old Volunteer or the present paid Departments have always exemplified the most glorious heroism in saving life and property, regardless of personal risks, and have earned the esteem, even affection, of all our citizens, who are justly proud of such a magnificent body of men, be it

Resolved, That this Board of Aldermen respectfully recommend to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment that a suitable fund be set aside for the erection of an appropriate memorial building, arch or column in memory of the gallant Firemen who have fallen in the discharge of their duty, and that a competition be invited, under the auspices of the Municipal Art Commission, to the end that such memorial may be a work of art worthy of the Metropolis of the Western Hemisphere.

Which was adopted.

Alderman Downing asked and obtained unanimous consent to introduce the following:

No. 263.

Be it Ordained by the Board of Aldermen of The City of New York as follows:

The Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to enter into an agreement for the leasing of the second floor of the building known and designated as No. 391 Fulton street, in the Borough of Brooklyn, for the use as Chambers of the Justices of the Supreme Court of the Second Judicial District, the Chambers of said Justices in the County Court House having recently been destroyed by fire; said lease to run from month to month at a monthly rental of five hundred and fifty dollars (\$550), payable at the end of each month.

This ordinance is passed in pursuance of section 31 of the Code of Civil Procedure and of the Charter of The City of New York.

In connection therewith Alderman Downing presented the following communication:

Law Department, of The City of New York.
Office of the Corporation Counsel, Borough Hall,
Borough of Brooklyn, February 19, 1908.

Hon. JOSEPH A. BURR, Justice of the Supreme Court:

My Dear Judge Burr—In response to your request that I inform you as to the method under the law by which rooms may be leased by the City for the use of the Justices of the Supreme Court for Chambers, I would say that the only authority to that end that I have been able to find in the Charter is contained in section 149. Section 205 authorizes the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund to lease and to sell property of the City, but there is no provision as to leasing property to the City. Section 149, contains the following provision:

"The Comptroller shall enter into upon behalf of The City of New York any lease authorized by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of property leased to the City."

I am of opinion, however, that the hiring of rooms, such as is now proposed, is governed by section 31 of the Code of Civil Procedure, which reads as follows:

"Except where other provision is made therefor by law, the board of supervisors of each county, and in The City of New York the municipal assembly thereof, must provide each court of record, appointed to be held therein, with proper and convenient rooms and furniture, together with attendants, fuel, lights and stationery suitable and sufficient for the transaction of its business; and, upon an order of the court, for suitable and proper food and lodging and expenses for a jury kept together either during the progress of the trial or after their retirement for deliberation. If the supervisors, or said municipal assembly, shall neglect so to do, the court may order the sheriff to make the requisite provision; and the expense incurred by him in carrying the order into effect, when certified by the court, is a county charge."

Application should, therefore, be made to the Board of Aldermen as the successor of the Municipal Assembly of The City of New York, who would thereupon pass an ordinance or resolution authorizing the Comptroller to enter into the necessary agreement.

If I can assist you in any way in carrying out the details involved, I shall be happy to do so upon your suggestion.

Yours very truly,

RICHARD B. GREENWOOD.

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Finance.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

No. 264.

General Executive Council of the Drivers', Sweepers' and Hostlers' Unions, Department of Street Cleaning of Greater New York,
New York, February 23, 1908.

Hon. PATRICK F. McGOWAN, President, Board of Aldermen, Aldermanic Chamber, City Hall, Manhattan:

Dear Sir—Whereas, The General Executive Council of the Drivers', Sweepers' and Hostlers' Unions of the Department of Street Cleaning, the parent organization of the affiliated unions of the Department of Street Cleaning, in meeting assembled, realizing the great benefit accorded its members by the Honorable Board of Aldermen in granting the increase of salary of which the Laborers stood in so great need and which they earned so well; and

Whereas, The said council appreciating the fact that after five years of struggle and petitioning to the various Boards of Aldermen during that time for the passage of a law increasing their salary, only the present Board of Aldermen has seen fit to grant the said increase, fully aware that the Laborers of this Department deserve such increase; and

Whereas, The said increase in salary will be of material benefit to the said Laborers and to their families in aiding them to live better lives, worthy of the employees of so great and effective an organization of this great City and aiding them in the execution of the arduous task which daily confronts them in cleaning and keeping clean the avenues and thoroughfares through which the commerce of the metropolis daily wends its way; and

Whereas, Every individual member of the said affiliated unions of the General Executive Council feels a gratitude greater than their words can express, but which they will attempt to show in their continued efforts in doing their duty and deserving the increase in salary; each member realizing that it is to their own benefit as well

as to the benefit of the millions of souls whose health is intrusted to their care to do their utmost in making this a cleaner City than any other of like size; therefore be it

Resolved, That the General Executive Council for and in the name of a constituency of five thousand public spirited men reiterate their decision and purpose to make this City by far the cleanest and most sanitary, as far as may lie within their power to do so; therefore be it further

Resolved, That the General Executive Council of the Drivers', Sweepers' and Hostlers' Unions of the Department of Street Cleaning of The City of New York express their gratitude to the Honorable Board of Aldermen and to the individual members thereof for granting us said increase in salary to the five thousand members.

HENRY CARDOS, General Representative.
No. 2375 Lorillard Place, The Bronx.

Which was ordered on file.

No. 265.

Board of Trustees of the Normal College of The City of New York, Park Avenue and Fifty-ninth Street, New York, February 15, 1908.

Hon. PATRICK F. McGOWAN, President, Board of Aldermen:

Dear Sir—I have the honor to transmit herewith certified copy of resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Normal College of The City of New York at a special meeting held on February 13, 1908, requesting the Board of Aldermen to pass a resolution permitting the Board of Trustees to procure text books, etc., during the year 1908, at an expense not to exceed \$10,000, without entering into advertised contracts therefor.

Respectfully yours,

A. EMERSON PALMER,
Secretary, Board of Trustees.

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be and it is hereby respectfully requested to pass a resolution permitting the Board of Trustees of the Normal College of The City of New York to procure such text books, stationery and other supplies as may be required during the year 1908 for the purposes of the Normal College, the High School Department and the Training Department, at an expense not to exceed \$10,000, without entering into advertised contracts therefor.

A true copy of resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Normal College on February 13, 1908.

A. EMERSON PALMER,
Secretary, Board of Trustees.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Letting.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY, COUNTY AND BOROUGH OFFICERS.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the President, Borough of Brooklyn:

No. 266.

The City of New York,
Office of the President of the Borough of Brooklyn,
Brooklyn, February 24, 1908.

Honorable Board of Aldermen, City Hall, Manhattan, New York:

Gentlemen—I hereby request an issue of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) Special Revenue Bonds to make repairs and pay for cleaning and renovating the rooms in the Kings County Court House, Borough of Brooklyn, made necessary by fire in said building.

Very truly,

BIRD S. COLER, President, Borough of Brooklyn.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The President laid before the Board the following communications from the President, Borough of Queens:

No. 267.

The City of New York,
Office of the President of the Borough of Queens,
Long Island City, February 13, 1908.

Mr. P. F. McGOWAN, President, Board of Aldermen, New York:

Dear Sir—Herewith I forward a resolution for the issuance of Special Revenue Bonds in the amount of one thousand seven hundred dollars (\$1,700), for the purpose of rebuilding the sewer in Fourteenth avenue, between Twenty-seventh and Thirtieth streets, Whitestone, Third Ward, Borough of Queens, which sewer is in a dilapidated and dangerous condition; there are at present three large openings within a distance of seven hundred feet, and I would request that this resolution be placed on the calendar for early consideration.

Yours respectfully,

JOSEPH BERMEL,
President of the Borough of Queens.

Resolved, That, in pursuance of the provisions of subdivision 8 of section 188 of the Greater New York Charter, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and hereby is requested to authorize the Comptroller to issue Special Revenue Bonds to an amount not exceeding seventeen hundred dollars (\$1,700), the proceeds whereof to be applied by the President of the Borough of Queens, to rebuilding the sewer in Fourteenth avenue, between Twenty-seventh and Thirtieth streets, at Whitestone in the Third Ward, Borough of Queens.

No. 268.

The City of New York,
Office of the President of the Borough of Queens,
Long Island City, February 13, 1908.

Hon. P. F. McGOWAN, President, Board of Aldermen, New York:

Dear Sir—The Superintendent of Sewers reports that the sewer in Myrtle avenue, from Flushing Creek to Parsons avenue, in the Third Ward, Borough of Queens, is in such a condition that it will be necessary to practically rebuild the same.

This sewer was constructed about eighteen years ago by the former Town authorities, and several thousand dollars have been expended by the Greater City in repairing the many breaks. Now it is practically impossible to properly clean the pipes, and complaints are being continually received from the Board of Health, as well as from property owners along Myrtle avenue and other streets where sewer outlets into Myrtle avenue. During the past summer these sewers backed up on several occasions and flooded cellars.

My intention, if the necessary funds are provided, is to rebuild the broken parts and have the whole sewer put in proper repair, and to that end I would request that an issue of Revenue Bonds in the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) be made for the purpose above noted, as per the enclosed resolution.

Yours respectfully,

JOSEPH BERMEL,
President of the Borough of Queens.

Resolved, That, in pursuance of subdivision 8 of section 188 of the Greater New York Charter, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and hereby is requested to authorize the Comptroller to issue Special Revenue Bonds to an amount not exceeding five thousand dollars (\$5,000), the proceeds whereof to be applied by the President of the Borough of Queens to rebuilding the sewer in Myrtle avenue, from Flushing Creek to Parsons avenue, in the Third Ward of the Borough of Queens.

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Finance.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Sheriff of Queens County:

No. 269.

Office of the Sheriff of Queens County,
County Court House,
Long Island City, February 19, 1908.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen—Application is hereby made for the issue of Special Revenue Bonds, pursuant to subdivision 8 of section 188 of Charter of New York City, in the sum of twenty-four hundred and thirty dollars and eighty-two cents (\$2,430.82). The proceeds are to be added to the appropriation to this office for the year 1907, entitled

Maintenance of Queens County Jail, to meet a deficit for the maintenance of Queens County Jail for the month of December, 1907.

Respectfully,

HERBERT S. HARVEY, Sheriff of Queens County.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Comptroller:

No. 270.

Department of Finance, City of New York,
Bureau of Municipal Investigation and Statistics, }
February 18, 1908.

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

Gentlemen—I hereby make application for an issue of Special Revenue Bonds to the amount of \$2,500 for the purpose of purchasing necessary equipment for the Bureau of Municipal Investigation and Statistics in addition to such equipment as was provided by the issue of Special Revenue Bonds in 1906. I make this application in view of the fact that the Contingent Fund of the Comptroller's Office is not sufficient to warrant allowances to Bureaus of this Department for furniture, filing cases or such other equipment as is now required by the said Bureau of Municipal Investigation and Statistics.

The appropriation is requested to provide for the cost of atlases and steel filing cases for installing a statistical real estate record of The City of New York which is being prepared by this Bureau. Both the steel cases and atlases are expensive and will cost approximately \$1,500. In addition, the Bureau requires for its proper operation a modern adding machine, the cost of which will be \$450. Additional filing cases for the reports and records of the office for the present year to the amount of \$500 will be also required.

In view of these facts, I ask for the adoption of the attached resolution.

Yours respectfully,

H. A. METZ, Comptroller.

Resolved, That, in pursuance of the provisions of subdivision 8 of section 188 of the Greater New York Charter, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment is hereby requested to authorize the Comptroller to issue Special Revenue Bonds of The City of New York to the amount of twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500), for the purpose of providing additional steel filing cases and other equipment for the Bureau of Municipal Investigation and Statistics of the Department of Finance.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity:

No. 271.

Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity,
Commissioner's Office, Nos. 13 to 21 Park Row,
City of New York, February 21, 1908.

Hon. PATRICK F. McGOWAN, President, Board of Aldermen, City Hall:

Dear Sir—I desire to submit report of Water Register M. C. Padden, in which he discusses and explains the absolute need for additional help to properly carry on the work of his Bureau. The facts are, that during the past two years there have been installed about 14,000 meters. A great deal of labor is attendant upon the first introduction of a water meter in a building. To pass upon this work and to read the meters at the stated intervals, as the law requires, we have found to be a physical impossibility with the present force.

In endeavoring to examine the new meter installations, the Department has neglected to investigate the work of plumbers who have removed old water meters for repairs, and in consequence, over 10,000 reports have accumulated, each representing a separate building, and it requires practically as much time to ascertain if the plumber reset the meter to all the fixtures to which it had been formerly attached as it would if it were a new installation. Past experience in this line has shown that about twenty-five per cent. of the meters which are removed for repairs are not properly reset or, in other words, the plumber, either through neglect or design, fails to properly meter the building, and in each of these cases the City is losing a certain amount of revenue, as the water furnished is not being registered.

The preparation of reports in these matters and the proper entry of same is work which devolves upon the clerical force of the Bureau, and there are not sufficient men at the present time to handle the increased business. When the Department submitted its estimate for the moneys required for the year 1908, no request was made for an appropriation for the operation and maintenance of the boat which was subsequently purchased and which has been in commission since November of last year, used to patrol the waters around the different boroughs. The several Inspectors assigned to it report the different boats which obtain a supply of water from the public hydrants. By this means of inspection the City has added a great many thousand dollars to its revenue.

The 40 Inspectors for which this estimate calls will be assigned principally to the work of inspecting the meters which have been reset. The Laborers for whom I also applied will be assigned to the Inspectors who are employed in investigating and examining the first installation of meters. At present we are obliged to work the Inspectors in teams, as it is a physical impossibility for one man to do the work, and by the employment of the Laborers as helpers, the Department will be able to increase its inspection force.

In the past two years the meters set represent about forty per cent. of the total number which has been in actual service in the Borough of Manhattan since the first introduction of meters, over thirty years ago, and, while the work has multiplied to this extent, the force has not been increased accordingly.

I have estimated that \$50,000 will be required to pay the salaries of the Clerks and Inspectors who are absolutely necessary to properly carry on the work of the office of the Water Register, and would respectfully request that you submit this application for an issue of Special Revenue Bonds for the consideration of the Board.

You will please find enclosed form of resolution for adoption.

Respectfully,

JOHN H. O'BRIEN, Commissioner.

Resolved, That, in pursuance of subdivision 8 of section 188 of the Greater New York Charter, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment is hereby requested to authorize the Comptroller to issue Special Revenue Bonds in an amount not to exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), for the purpose of replenishing the Budget appropriations of the Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity for the year 1908.

Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity,
Bureau of Water Register, Nos. 13 to 21 Park Row, }
New York, February 15, 1908.

Hon. JOHN H. O'BRIEN, Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity:

Dear Sir—The appropriation for the current year being insufficient to properly handle the work of this Bureau, I beg to submit for your consideration the following facts, showing the absolute necessity of an additional appropriation to provide for an increase in the present force.

The work of the Meter Setting Branch has quadrupled during the past two years, both in the clerical and inspection work, due to the installation of 14,000 new meters in unmetered buildings during this period; and also due to the discovery of over 600 places wherein the City water was being stolen; also in view of the opinion of the Corporation Counsel that a charge for a period wherein the meter is out of order or disconnected for repairs, which is based on an average consumption before or after meter has been reinstalled, is practically uncollectible. It is therefore absolutely important for the protection of the revenue of the City to decrease to a minimum the length of time that a meter should be out of premises for any reason whatsoever. This necessitates very close watch on the plumber as to whether he returns his permit after the legal fifteen days have expired, and if not returned, send notices to the owner and plumber to the effect that unless meter is reinstalled within five or ten days it will result in the City Plumber installing new meter on his service, the charge becoming a lien against the property. The clerical force of this branch is unable to give this important matter the unquestionable attention that it deserves. There were over 7,100 permits issued to disconnect and reset meters during the year 1907.

There are at present eight teams (twelve Inspectors and four Laborers) examining the installation of new meters. These Inspectors must be experienced plumbers or mechanics, as they are required to see that meter has been properly connected, as required by the Department rules, and must certify that the premises are fully metered, or the part thereof, in addition to the measuring of the building from the nearest corner for the purpose of placing the meter charge against the proper block and lot number. It is from the reports of these men that the regular annual charge against a house or portion thereof is canceled and the meter account opened. It is upon the accurate performance of their duties that the Department depends for the initial accuracy of its meter records. Each team is required to average ten examinations per day; but in view of the fact that the force of Inspectors reading meters is totally inadequate, these men have been taken from their duties for periods of weeks at a time, and used for the purpose of reading meters, with the result that in this branch of the work there are at least 5,000 examinations and re-examinations yet to be made.

There are two teams of four Inspectors examining changes in meter connections and re-examining buildings to adjust the records of the office. The duties of these men are similar to those examining the installation of new meters, and due to the same reason; this work is fully 1,000 examinations and re-examinations in arrears.

In the re-examination of the City by the block and lot system, and examinations of new and altered buildings for the purpose of installing meters, four Inspectors are employed. There are still about 30,000 of these examinations to be made.

In cleaning dials, examining counters (seeing that meter has not been tampered with, and therefore under register), and rescaling of meters, five Inspectors are employed. Their work is of great importance for the billing of accounts and the protection of the City from thefts of water, due to the tampering of meters.

There are at present over 10,000 meters which have been repaired, but have not been examined to see that the repaired meter covers premises as called for by the records of the Department and the plumbers' work has been properly performed. This work, due to the lack of force, is practically at a standstill. Past experience has shown that in about 25 per cent. of these buildings water is being stolen by means of unmetered pipes, or the Department rules violated. A force of Inspectors should, in my opinion, be immediately employed in these examinations.

The clerical work entailed in the installation of over 14,000 new meters during the past two years and the issuing of over 7,100 permits to disconnect and reset meters, in addition, to over 600 buildings wherein water was stolen, and over 700 places where the Department rules were violated, has resulted in the clerical work of the Meter Setting Branch being far behind, and in some cases almost at a standstill; and this in spite of the fact that these Clerks have worked overtime for a year and a half in an effort to keep up with the work.

Every new meter installed means: A notice must be made out, approved by the Water Register, signed by the Deputy Commissioner of this Department, entered in the proper records, and served on the owner. If the work is done by the owner's plumber, permit must be issued to install meter, and record kept of the meter which is taken from the pipe yard to install on premises. Permits must be charged to Inspector, and credited on return, and Inspector's report checked to see that it is in accordance with the meter and regular rate records. The entry of the date on which the work is passed must be made in the proper records. In case of violations of Department rules, the owner and plumber must be notified to remove same; after which the premises must be re-examined.

The Department is in receipt, from numerous sources, of over 500 complaints of waste of water every year. These complaints, owing to the lack of Clerks and Inspectors, have not received the prompt action which the protection of the City's water supply requires.

In view of these conditions I deem it absolutely necessary that three Clerks, fifteen Inspectors and fifteen Laborers (these Laborers to act as helpers to the Inspectors in their examinations) be appointed, and assigned to duty in this Branch.

In the Meter Billing Branch there has been a large increase in the work, owing to the activity of the Meter Setting Branch in setting new meters. There are now twenty-three Clerks assigned to this Branch.

During the past two years upwards of 10,000 new meter accounts have been opened on our books. At the present time there are approximately 45,000 active meter accounts. The law requires each of these accounts to be billed and mailed every six months. This, together with the monthly bills rendered, compels the issuing and mailing, on an average, of over 100,000 bills per annum.

There are 400 Inspectors' field books which must be rewritten at stated intervals to successfully carry on the work of this Branch. At the present time these books must all be rewritten. Besides this, there are various details of work to be carried on daily, such as sending out notices to repair meters, notices of obstructions to meters, notices of violations, notices requesting payment of unpaid bills, billing and mailing and entering on our records the meter setting bills and various other work incidental thereto, which require a great deal of time and labor.

During the past two years the complaints received in this Branch in reference to alleged excessive bills have trebled, and the one man assigned to that branch of work is utterly unable to cope with existing conditions.

The meter ledgers in this Branch upon which all meter accounts relating to the Borough of Manhattan are kept, have been constantly in use for over twelve years and are in very bad condition. A new form of ledger has been devised and orders placed for printing of same. As soon as they are completed it is of the utmost importance that the accounts be transferred into same, which will have to be subdivided to suit the convenience of this Branch.

This is a matter of the greatest importance, as these books represent items of millions of dollars of water meter charges, and to successfully carry on the work of this Branch the above work should be commenced immediately—it being practically impossible to do so with the present force.

These ledgers when rewritten will number about 225 volumes. The transferring of the meter accounts into the new ledgers will necessitate the adoption of a system of card indexing, showing section, block, lot and house numbers and volume and folio of ledger for ready reference.

It is therefore necessary that six Clerks be appointed to this Branch to properly handle the work and thereby increase the revenue of the City by the prompt rendering of bills. Owing to the lack of sufficient help to cope with the increasing business of this Branch, it has been found necessary to compel a number of the clerical force to work overtime continuously for the past year and a half.

In the Regular Rate Branch the work has also largely increased, owing to the number of new buildings being constructed, and also on account of the number of alterations which are being made on old buildings, all of which require examinations so that annual charges for same can be properly placed on the records of this Branch. The large number of new meters installed during the past two years has also increased the work of this Branch, as it is necessary that a record of the meters being installed be placed on the regular rate books.

There are at present three vacancies, two Clerks and one Measurer, caused by resignations. It is therefore imperative that these vacancies be filled, together with one additional Clerk, by appointment for the reasons as stated above.

In the General Inspector's Branch the force of Inspectors engaged in reading meters should be increased by at least twenty-five Inspectors in order to read meters as frequently as required—which should not be less than six times a year.

The effect of these more frequent readings of meters would positively reduce the number of special readings, not registering meters would be discovered more quickly, and thus the period of average bills would be greatly reduced, fewer obstructions to meters would be encountered, bills rendered more promptly and the general result would largely improve the service and give general satisfaction to the taxpayers of this City.

Considering the large number of new meters installed within the past two years and the consequent large increase in readings to be made, even the increased force asked for will in a short time be found to be insufficient.

In the Shipping Branch there is a vacancy of one Clerk, caused through death. This vacancy should be filled, as the entire work of this Branch devolves on one man at present.

The steamboat "Lavrock" having been purchased by the Department subsequent to the time the annual budget was submitted to you, no provision was made for the payment of salaries of the crew or appropriation made for the maintenance of said boat.

It is therefore necessary that one Engineer, one Stoker and one Deckhand be appointed; this is in addition to the present force. It is also necessary that an appropriation of \$3,000 be asked for the maintenance and operation of said boat.

The above represents an increased force, as follows:

13 Clerks, at \$900 per annum.....	\$11,700 00
1 Measurer, at \$1,000 per annum.....	1,000 00
40 Inspectors, at \$1,000 per annum.....	40,000 00
15 Laborers, 304 days, at \$2 per day.....	9,120 00
1 Engineer, 365 days, at \$4.50 per day.....	1,642 50
1 Stoker, 365 days, at \$3 per day.....	1,095 00
1 Deckhand, 365 days, at \$2.50 per day.....	912 50
Maintenance, etc., of steamboat "Lavrock".....	3,000 00
Total for year.....	\$68,470 00

The request for the above force is the minimum of what I feel is indispensable for the better protection of the City's interest and will unquestionably result in an increase in water revenue and give general satisfaction to the taxpayers of this City.

I therefore request that you apply to the Board of Aldermen for an additional appropriation of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for this Bureau for the balance of the current year.

Respectfully yours,
(Signed) M. C. PADDEN, Water Register.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Board of Health:

No. 272.

Department of Health,
Southwest Corner Fifty-fifth Street and Sixth Avenue, }
New York, February 20, 1908.

Hon. P. J. SCULLY, City Clerk, City of New York:

Sir—At a meeting of the Board of Health of the Department of Health, held February 19, 1908, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Honorable the Board of Aldermen be and is hereby respectfully requested to approve a resolution, of which the following is a copy, to enable the Board of Health to make requisition upon the Comptroller for the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) from the appropriation set apart for contingencies of the Department of Health in the Sanatorium for the Care and Treatment of Persons living in The City of New York suffering with tuberculosis, located at Otisville, Town of Mount Hope, Orange County, N. Y.:

"Resolved, That for the purpose of defraying any minor or incidental expenses in the Sanatorium for the Care and Treatment of Persons Living in The City of New York, suffering with tuberculosis, located at Otisville, Town of Mount Hope, Orange County, N. Y., contingent to the Department of Health, the Hospital Physician in charge of the said sanatorium may, by requisition, draw upon the Comptroller for a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500); the said Hospital Physician may, in like manner, renew the draft as often as the Board of Health may deem it necessary, to the extent of the appropriation set apart for contingencies of the Department of Health; but no such renewal shall be made until the money paid upon the preceding draft shall be accounted for to the Comptroller, by the transmittal of a voucher or vouchers, certified by the Commissioners of the Board of Health, covering the expenditures of money paid thereon."

A true copy.

EUGENE W. SCHEFFER, Secretary.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Commissioner of Street Cleaning.

No. 273.

Department of Street Cleaning,
Nos. 13 to 21 Park Row, }
New York, February 19, 1908.

Hon. PATRICK F. McGOWAN, President, Board of Aldermen, City Hall:

Sir—I desire to purchase an automobile for the use of this Department at a cost not to exceed thirty-five hundred dollars (\$3,500) and in order that I may obtain the kind of an automobile that is really needed for the Department use, and to avoid delay I request that the Board of Aldermen, pursuant to section 419 of the Greater New York Charter, adopt an order empowering me to purchase said automobile without advertisement in the CITY RECORD or public letting.

I inclose sample of resolution.

Respectfully,
FOSTER CROWELL, Commissioner.

Whereas, The Commissioner of Street Cleaning desires to purchase for the use of his Department, without public letting, an automobile at a cost not to exceed three thousand five hundred dollars.

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen, under the authority of section 419 of the Greater New York Charter, hereby order that the Commissioner of Street Cleaning may purchase for the use of the Department of Street Cleaning an automobile without resort to public letting; provided that the cost of such automobile shall not exceed the sum or price of three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500).

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Letting.

The President laid before the Board the following communications from the Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity:

No. 274.

Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity,
Commissioner's Office, Nos. 13 to 21 Park Row, }
City of New York, February 19, 1908.

Hon. PATRICK F. McGOWAN, President, Board of Aldermen, City Hall:

Dear Sir—An appropriation of \$17,500 has been authorized by an issue of Special Revenue Bonds, the proceeds to be applied to the purchase of metallic filing cabinets, desks and furniture, for use in the office of the Water Register, Borough of Manhattan.

The Department believes that it is an impossibility to prepare a contract and specifications, for which there could be open and competitive bidding for the furnishing of these supplies. I have learned that there are five or six manufacturers of metallic furniture and fixtures and that each concern has its own particular design, so that if any attempt were made to draw specifications to follow closely the design and pattern of one particular manufacturer, I am satisfied that there would be an evasion of the law which calls for competitive bidding where the supplies or articles to be furnished exceed in cost the sum of \$1,000.

To specify a particular construction must necessarily mean that the manufacturers other than the maker of the design selected will be compelled to purchase or manufacture tools and other machinery capable of producing the fixtures the same as the pattern chosen.

In view of the above conditions and circumstances and the fact that it is the object of the Department to obtain the best and most recent design and improved filing system and office fixtures, I believe that the goods can be best obtained on open order.

I respectfully ask that I be authorized by the Board of Aldermen to expend this sum of money for the purchase of metallic furniture without the formality of advertising for competitive bids.

I inclose the form of resolution which I would respectfully request that you submit to your Board for adoption.

Respectfully,
JOHN H. O'BRIEN, Commissioner.

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity be and he is hereby empowered to purchase without advertising for competitive bids or proposals metallic filing cabinets, desks and office furniture in a sum not to exceed \$17,500.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Letting.

No. 275.

Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity,
Commissioner's Office, Nos. 13 to 21 Park Row, }
City of New York, February 20, 1908.

Hon. PATRICK F. McGOWAN, President, Board of Aldermen:

Dear Sir—As provided by section 473 of the revised Greater New York Charter, I desire to recommend to the Board of Aldermen the establishment of a new schedule of water rents. With the exception of a few items in this statement the rates and charges are precisely as what have been in force in the Borough of Manhattan of the old City of New York for a great number of years. Several of the other Boroughs had, previous to consolidation, charged for unmetered water at the same rates which had prevailed in the old City of New York for many years. In fact, some of these charges have been in force since the introduction of the Croton system. The frontage rates were established in 1849, and have remained in force, without change, to the present date. A few of the new rates refer principally to the water furnished and used in building construction.

In October of last year I presented this same schedule for the consideration of the previous Board. It was deemed necessary by the Committee who had charge of the matter to call a public hearing, and there attended at that time members of the Tugboat Owners' Association who protested against the charging of an ordinary tugboat as a water boat when she was employed solely to carry water to another boat or floating derrick or hoist which was moored at some point distant from any hydrant where she could conveniently obtain her own supply of water. The Department acknowledged at that time that if such charge had previously been imposed it would be corrected in the future, and the only boat which could be charged as a "water boat" would be the one engaged in the trading and selling of water to the tramp steamers and other craft which have no official permit from this Department to obtain a supply of water.

Another protest presented at the public hearing was in the interest of the Building Trades Employers' Association, their objection being raised against a charge for hoisting engines which are used principally for the lifting of building material. While this charge had been established and enforced for a number of years for some unknown reason it had never been previously applied to engines on this class of work. With this rate applied strictly to all builders who had occasion to use hoisting engines, the City collected only \$5,000 from this source. The Builders' Association, through their counsel, later submitted a brief to me outlining their objection against the imposition of this charge. The class of building construction, especially in the Borough of Manhattan, has made it absolutely necessary to employ these hoisting engines for the lifting of building materials. Especially on tall and heavily constructed buildings these engines are employed for a long while, and there is no doubt that they consume a large amount of water. The rate at which this water is furnished is not in my opinion excessive, and I cannot believe that this extra charge which is now complained of would retard, in any manner, the building operations, as the association would wish me to infer from their statement protesting against this charge. The association attempts to show by actual tests that the rate which the City is charging for water supplied for building purposes is excessive in comparison with the amount of water used. I can readily understand that while these tests were being made every precaution was taken to measure accurately the amount of water which was actually used in the construction of the building. There is no attempt made, however, to show the large amount of water which is wasted in all building construction, and I believe it requires no argument from me to show that water is very freely used in this line of work when it is known that the charge is not based upon the actual amount of water delivered.

The other new items are rates which, I believe, should be included in the schedule as they represent the use of water which has been discovered since the last schedule was adopted.

The books for the fiscal year which begins May 1 next are now being prepared, and I believe that these rates and charges, as per inclosed schedule, should be entered on these records so that they will be recognized as the established charges on and after May 1, 1908.

I would respectfully recommend that your Board enact this schedule into an ordinance so as to make the charges legal and binding upon all water-takers.

Respectfully,

JOHN H. O'BRIEN, Commissioner.

AN ORDINANCE amending section 282 of the Code of Ordinances of The City of New York, regulating rents and extra charges to be collected by the Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity.

Be it Ordained by the Board of Aldermen of The City of New York, as follows: Section 282 of the Code of Ordinances of The City of New York is hereby amended to read as follows:

The minimum annual rents, meter rates and extra charges to be collected by the Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity shall be as follows, to wit:

Front Width.	Stories.									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
16 feet and under	\$4 00	\$5 00	\$6 00	\$7 00	\$8 00	\$9 00	\$10 00	\$11 00	\$12 00	\$13 00
16 to 18 feet.....	5 00	6 00	7 00	8 00	9 00	10 00	11 00	12 00	13 00	14 00
18 to 20 feet.....	6 00	7 00	8 00	9 00	10 00	11 00	12 00	13 00	14 00	15 00
20 to 22½ feet...	7 00	8 00	9 00	10 00	11 00	12 00	13 00	14 00	15 00	16 00
22½ to 25 feet...	8 00	9 00	10 00	11 00	12 00	13 00	14 00	15 00	16 00	17 00
25 to 30 feet....	10 00	11 00	12 00	13 00	14 00	15 00	16 00	17 00	18 00	19 00
30 to 37½ feet...	12 00	13 00	14 00	15 00	16 00	17 00	18 00	19 00	20 00	21 00
37½ to 50 feet...	14 00	15 00	16 00	17 00	18 00	19 00	20 00	21 00	22 00	23 00
50 to 60 feet....	16 00	17 00	18 00	19 00	20 00	21 00	22 00	23 00	24 00	25 00
60 to 70 feet....	18 00	19 00	20 00	21 00	22 00	23 00	24 00	25 00	26 00	27 00
70 to 80 feet....	20 00	21 00	22 00	23 00	24 00	25 00	26 00	27 00	28 00	29 00
80 to 90 feet....	22 00	23 00	24 00	25 00	26 00	27 00	28 00	29 00	30 00	31 00
90 to 100 feet....	24 00	25 00	26 00	27 00	28 00	29 00	30 00	31 00	32 00	33 00

All rear buildings on any lot or lots, with front buildings thereon, shall pay an annual frontage rate of \$5 for each 25 feet front, or fraction thereof, but this provision shall not apply to buildings erected on corner lots, each of which buildings shall pay the regular rates, as stated in the foregoing subdivisions.

The apportionment of the regular frontage rates upon dwelling houses is on the basis that but one family is to occupy same, and for each additional family or apartment, \$1 per year shall be charged.

Bath tubs in dwelling houses shall be charged at \$3 per annum; in bathing establishments at \$5 per annum; combination stationary wash tubs, capable of use for bathing, shall be charged the same as bath tubs. One bath tub to each house supplied free of charge.

Water closets and urinals, of every description, \$2 each per annum; one water closet in each house supplied free of charge.

Liquor and lager beer saloons shall be charged an annual rate of \$10 each. An additional charge of \$5 per annum shall be made for each faucet or wash box.

Stalls—For each stall, \$1 per annum.

Dining saloons shall be charged an annual rate of \$5.

Fish stands shall be charged \$5 per annum each.

Laundries shall be charged an annual rate of \$8.

Barber shops shall be charged \$5 per annum; and an additional charge of \$5 per annum for each public bath tub therein.

Bakeries shall be charged \$3 per annum.

Soda or mineral water fountains shall be charged \$5 per annum each.

Wash Drill or Caisson Sinking—Water supplied at the rate of 10 cents per cubic foot.

Steam engines, where not metered, shall be charged by the horse-power, as follows: For each horse-power up to or not exceeding ten, the sum of \$10 per annum; for each

exceeding 10, and not over 15, the sum of \$7.50 each, and for each horse-power over 15, the sum of \$5 each.

Boilers furnishing steam for drilling rock and for excavating purposes shall be charged \$5 per month each.

Baptistries shall be charged at the rate of \$10 per annum.

Florists shall be charged at the rate of \$5 per annum.

Milk depots (for the purpose of washing cans) shall be charged \$7.50 per annum.

Bottling establishments shall be charged \$10 per annum.

Photograph galleries shall be charged at the rate of \$5 per annum.

Horse Troughs—For each trough, and for each half barrel or tub on sidewalk or street, \$20 per annum; each trough to be fitted with a proper ball-cock to prevent waste.

Fire risks (not metered) shall be charged \$50 each per annum.

For wetting down buildings in course of demolition a charge shall be made equal to one-fourth of the annual frontage rate charged against each building.

Building Purposes—For each 1,000 bricks laid, or for stone work to be measured as bricks, 10 cents per 1,000. For plastering, 40 cents per 100 square yards, openings not included. For concreting, fireproofing or terra cotta partitions, 5 cents per cubic yard.

Pile drivers and hoisting engines, per month, \$5.

Boilers for coal diggers, etc., per month, \$5.

Floating engines, per annum, \$25.

Steam barges, per annum, \$25.

Steam pumps, per annum, \$25.

Steam derricks, per annum, \$25.

Oyster boats, per annum, \$20.

Dredges, per month, \$10.

Steam lighters and tugboats, high pressure, per annum, \$90.

Steam lighters and tugboats, low pressure, per annum, \$45.

Steam yachts, per month, \$5 to \$10.

Water supplied to barges and canal boats for domestic use, per annum, \$5, and an additional charge of \$5 per annum where water is furnished for stable purposes.

Steam lighters and tugboats, in addition to paying the regular fixed charge, shall pay an extra charge of \$100 per annum when engaged or employed in furnishing water in the testing of boilers in other boats.

Water boats supplying shipping shall be charged by tank capacity, as follows:

	Per Month.
12,000 gallons or less.....	\$25 00
12,000 to 20,000 gallons.....	37 50
20,000 to 30,000 gallons.....	50 00
30,000 to 40,000 gallons.....	62 50
40,000 to 60,000 gallons.....	75 00
60,000 to 100,000 gallons.....	100 00

Steam lighters and tugboats, one fill for special use, \$5.

Meter Rates—The charge for water measured by meter to be 10 cents per 100 cubic feet.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Supply, Gas and Electricity.

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

No. 276.

City of New York—Law Department,
Office of the Corporation Counsel,
New York, February 18, 1908.

P. J. SCULLY, Esq., Clerk, Board of Aldermen:

Sir—Referring to the certified copy of Resolution No. 135, adopted by the Board of Aldermen February 11, 1908, and forwarded to me, I beg to say that in accordance with the request contained in the resolution that I designate from this Department a member thereof to assist the committee in preparing the report referred to in the resolution, I have designated Mr. Sterling to act in this capacity and to furnish the committee, either himself or through other members of this Department, such aid and assistance as may be possible.

Respectfully,

F. K. PENDLETON, Corporation Counsel.

Which was ordered on file.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

Alderman Dowling, on behalf of the Special Committee on Tunnel Celebration, reported that the formal opening of the tunnel between New York and New Jersey would take place this date; that invitations for the ceremony had been sent only to the members of the Committee, ten in number; that he had also received the following communication, which he submitted for the information of the Board:

No. 277.

Hudson and Manhattan Railroad Company
(Hudson River Tunnel System), No. 111 Broadway,
New York, February 22, 1908.

FRANK L. DOWLING, Esq., Chairman, No. 401 West Twenty-fourth Street, New York City:

My Dear Mr. Dowling—By mistake of the engraver, we have not sufficient formal invitations to go round, and the error was only discovered at the last moment, hence it is that formal invitations have not been forwarded to the Committee of the Board of Aldermen for the dinner at Sherry's on Tuesday evening next. I must, therefore, extend to you and the Committee, in this informal manner, an invitation to attend the dinner, and I hope that you will all be there. It will be so arranged that you will be seated together.

Please let me know how many of the Committee will certainly be present, so that I may make the necessary arrangements.

Very truly yours,

W. G. McADOO, President.

Which was ordered on file.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES RESUMED.

Reports of Committee on Finance—

No. 58.

The Committee on Finance, to which was referred on January 14, 1908 (Minutes, page 124), the annexed resolution for \$35,000 Special Revenue Bonds, to pay for water supplied in the Borough of Queens, respectively

REPORTS:

That Deputy Commissioner Loughman appeared before the Committee and explained that this was to pay for water supplied in the Borough of Queens by contract in 1907, and that such water had been used and metered; that \$160,000 had been asked for and only \$125,000 allowed in the Budget for 1907 for this purpose.

The Committee recommends that the annexed resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That in pursuance of the provisions of subdivision 8 of section 188 of the Greater New York Charter, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and hereby is requested to authorize the Comptroller to issue Special Revenue Bonds to the amount of thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000), the proceeds whereof to be applied to paying the bills of the Citizens' Water Supply Company and the Bowery Bay Improvement Company for water supplied in the First Ward of the Borough of Queens, during the months of October, November and December, 1907.

R. S. DOULL, JAMES W. REDMOND, JOHN DIEMER, ARTHUR H. MURPHY, JOHN D. GUNTHER, JOHN MULVANEY, JOHN J. COLLINS, WM. P. KENNEALLY, FRANK L. DOWLING, Committee on Finance.

Under Rule 21 consideration of this report was deferred. Subsequently Alderman Dowling moved the adoption of this report.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree to accept such report and adopt said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Baldwin, Barton, Bent, Beyer, B. W. B. Brown, J. W. Brown, Case, Cole, Coleman, Corbett, Davis, Delaney, Doull, Dowling, Drescher,

Emener, Esterbrook, Finnigan, Flynn, Gaynor, Goldschmidt, Gunther, Handy, Heffernan, Hickey, Hines, Hochdorffer, Hogan, Johnson, Kavanagh, Kenneally, Kenney, Levine, Linde, Loos, Martyn, Marx, McAleer, McDonald, Moskowitz, Mulcahy, Mulligan, Mulvaney, Murphy, Nagle, Nugent, O'Reilly, Potter, Reardon, Redmond, Rendt, Schloss, Schneider, Smith, Stapleton, Stormont, Velten, Walsh and President Cromwell—60.

No. 195—(G. O. No. 3).

The Committee on Finance, to which was referred on February 11, 1908 (Minutes, page 968), the annexed resolution for \$54,000 Special Revenue Bonds, to pay Inspectors of Regulating, Grading and Paving in the Borough of Brooklyn, respectively

REPORTS:

That Chief Engineer Sheridan appeared before the Committee and explained that, at present, when the winter season commenced, this class of work necessarily ceased, and most of these men had to be laid off. That this request was made in order to better the personnel and efficiency of the force by employing these Inspectors continuously. All such appointments are taken from the Civil Service list. The amount asked for would allow for a regular staff of forty Inspectors.

The Committee recommends that the annexed resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That, in pursuance of the provisions of subdivision 8 of section 188 of the Greater New York Charter, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and hereby is requested to authorize the Comptroller to issue Special Revenue Bonds to the amount of fifty-four thousand dollars (\$54,000), the proceeds whereof to be used by the President of the Borough of Brooklyn for the purpose of paying Inspectors of Regulating, Grading and Paving in the Bureau of Highways.

R. S. DOULL, JAMES W. REDMOND, JOHN DIEMER, ARTHUR H. MURPHY, JOHN D. GUNTHER, JOHN MULVANEY, JOHN J. COLLINS, WM. P. KENNEALLY, FRANK L. DOWLING, Committee on Finance.

Under Rule 21 consideration of this report was deferred. Subsequently Alderman Dowling moved the adoption of this report.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree to accept such report and adopt said resolution.

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, three-fourths of all the members elected failing to vote in favor thereof:

Affirmative—Aldermen Baldwin, Cole, Doull, Dowling, Drescher, Emener, Flynn, Gunther, Handy, Hochdorffer, Hogan, Linde, Marx, McDonald, Moskowitz, Muhlbauer, Mulligan, Mulvaney, Nagle, Nugent, O'Reilly, Potter, Reardon, Smith, Stapleton, President Cromwell and President Coler—27.

Negative—Aldermen Bent, Colgan, Kenney and McAleer—4.

On motion of Alderman Dowling the above vote was reconsidered and the paper placed on the list of General Orders.

No. 196—(G. O. No. 4).

The Committee on Finance, to which was referred, on February 11, 1908 (Minutes, page 970), the annexed resolution for \$2,512.50 Special Revenue Bonds, to meet increased wages of Stationary Engineers in Department of Correction, respectfully

REPORTS:

That Auditor Dwyer appeared before the Committee, and explained that this amount was needed to pay the wages of these Engineers, in compliance with resolution recently passed fixing the prevailing rate of wages. This amount is figured from the first of February.

The Committee recommends that the said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That, in pursuance of the provisions of subdivision 8 of section 188 of the Greater New York Charter, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and hereby is requested to authorize the Comptroller to issue Special Revenue Bonds to the amount of two thousand five hundred and twelve dollars and fifty cents (\$2,512.50), to enable the Commissioner of Correction to carry out the provisions of the resolution of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment adopted January 10, 1908, concurred in by the Board of Aldermen January 21, 1908, and approved by the Mayor January 28, 1908, which resolution fixes the compensation of the position of Engineman in the City Departments at the rate of four dollars and fifty cents (\$4.50) per diem.

R. S. DOULL, JAMES W. REDMOND, JOHN DIEMER, ARTHUR H. MURPHY, JOHN D. GUNTHER, JOHN MULVANEY, JOHN J. COLLINS, WM. P. KENNEALLY, FRANK L. DOWLING, Committee on Finance.

Under Rule 21 consideration of this report was deferred. Subsequently Alderman Dowling moved the adoption of this report.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree to accept such report and adopt said resolution.

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, three-fourths of all the members elected failing to vote in favor thereof:

Affirmative—Aldermen Baldwin, Barton, Bent, Beyer, J. W. Brown, Cole, Coleman, Corbett, Davis, Delaney, Doull, Drescher, Emener, Esterbrook, Finnigan, Gunther, Handy, Hickey, Hochdorffer, Hogan, Johnson, Kenneally, Kenney, Levine, Linde, Loos, Martyn, Marx, McAleer, McDonald, Muhlbauer, Mulcahy, Mulvaney, Nagle, Nugent, O'Reilly, Potter, Quinn, Reardon, Rendt, Schloss, Smith, Stapleton, Stormont, Velten, Walsh and the President—47.

On motion of Alderman Dowling the above vote was reconsidered and the paper placed on the list of General Orders.

No. 200—(G. O. No. 5).

The Committee on Finance, to which was referred, on February 11, 1908 (Minutes, page 994), the annexed resolution in favor of authorizing advances of annual contributions to the Grand Army of the Republic and kindred veteran organizations for observance of Memorial Day, respectfully

REPORTS:

That the amounts specified have been allowed in the Budget for 1908, and this resolution is merely for the purpose of facilitating the preparations made by these various bodies for the celebration on Memorial Day.

The Committee recommends that the said resolution be adopted.

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment, with the concurrence of the Board of Aldermen, has provided in the Budget for 1908 certain sums of money for Memorial Day observances in the various boroughs, in accordance with the provisions of law; and

Whereas, It is deemed necessary that said sums of money be advanced to the Memorial and Executive Committees of the Grand Army of the Republic and kindred organizations in the various boroughs for the purpose of defraying expenses as they may arise; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized to pay to each of the treasurers of the Memorial and Executive Committees of the Grand Army of the Republic and kindred organizations in the various boroughs, upon his requisition, countersigned by the chairman and secretary of each of the various committees, the sum of money provided in the said Budget, as follows:

Memorial Day Observances, Borough of Manhattan.....	\$2,500 00
Memorial Day Observances, Borough of Brooklyn.....	2,500 00
Memorial Day Observances, Borough of The Bronx.....	300 00
Memorial Day Observances, Borough of Queens.....	300 00
Memorial Day Observances, Borough of Richmond.....	300 00
Memorial Committee of the Army and Navy Union.....	700 00
Veteran Associations, Decoration Day Observances, Borough of Brooklyn	900 00
Memorial Committee, United Spanish War Veterans.....	1,500 00

R. S. DOULL, JAMES W. REDMOND, JOHN DIEMER, ARTHUR H. MURPHY, JOHN D. GUNTHER, JOHN MULVANEY, JOHN J. COLLINS, WM. P. KENNEALLY, FRANK L. DOWLING, Committee on Finance.

Which was laid over.

No. 216—(G. O. No. 6).

The Committee on Finance, to which was referred, on February 11, 1908 (Minutes, page 995), the annexed resolution for \$15,400 Special Revenue Bonds to pay Clerks and Interpreters in City Clerk's office required by new Marriage License Law, respectfully

REPORTS:

That these Clerks

involved; these Clerks have been authorized by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

The Committee recommends that the said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That, in pursuance of the provisions of subdivision 8 of section 188 of the Greater New York Charter, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and hereby is requested to authorize the Comptroller to issue Special Revenue Bonds to the amount of fifteen thousand four hundred dollars (\$15,400), or as much thereof as may be necessary, the proceeds whereof to be applied to the payment of the salaries for the year 1908 of Clerks and Interpreters authorized to be appointed in the offices of the City Clerk, in order to carry out the requirements of the new Marriage License Law, as follows: Boroughs of Manhattan and The Bronx, six Clerks and two Interpreters, eight thousand eight hundred dollars (\$8,800); Borough of Brooklyn, four Clerks and two Interpreters, six thousand six hundred dollars (\$6,600).

R. S. DOULL, JAMES W. REDMOND, ARTHUR H. MURPHY, JOHN MULVANEY, JOHN J. COLLINS, WM. P. KENNEALLY, FRANK L. DOWLING, Committee on Finance.

Under Rule 21, consideration of this report was deferred. Subsequently Alderman Dowling moved the adoption of this report.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree to accept such report and adopt said resolution.

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, three-fourths of all the members elected failing to vote in favor thereof.

Affirmative—Aldermen Baldwin, Barton, Bent, J. W. Brown, Cole, Colgan, Corbett, Delaney, Doull, Dowling, Drescher, Emener, Finnigan, Flynn, Handy, Heffernan, Hickey, Hines, Hochdorffer, Kavanagh, Kenneally, Kenney, Levine, Loos, Marx, McAleer, McDonald, Moskowitz, Mulcahy, Mulligan, Mulvaney, Nagle, Nugent, O'Reilly, Quinn, Reardon, Redmond, Rendt, Sandiford, Smith, Stapleton, Velten, Walsh; President Cromwell, President Coler and the President—46.

On motion of Alderman Dowling the above vote was reconsidered, and the paper placed on the list of General Orders.

No. 218—(G. O. No. 7).

The Committee on Finance, to which was referred, on February 11, 1908 (Minutes, page 996), the annexed resolution for \$6,000 Special Revenue Bonds to pay Clerks required in County Clerk's office, New York County, to carry out provisions of new Marriage License Law, respectfully

REPORTS:

That the additional work imposed by this law makes this increase of force necessary. These Clerks have been allowed by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

The Committee recommends that the said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That, in pursuance of the provisions of subdivision 8 of section 188 of the Greater New York Charter, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and hereby is requested to authorize the Comptroller to issue Special Revenue Bonds to the amount of six thousand dollars (\$6,000), or as much thereof as may be necessary, the proceeds whereof to be applied to the payment of the salaries for the year 1908 of five Clerks authorized to be appointed in the office of the County Clerk of New York County, in order to carry out the requirements of the new Marriage License Law.

R. S. DOULL, JAMES W. REDMOND, ARTHUR H. MURPHY, JOHN MULVANEY, JOHN J. COLLINS, WM. P. KENNEALLY, FRANK L. DOWLING, Committee on Finance.

Which was laid over.

No. 240—(G. O. No. 8).

The Committee on Finance, to which was referred, on February 18, 1908 (Minutes, page 1025), the annexed resolution for \$30,000 Special Revenue Bonds for painting Riverside Drive Viaduct, between One Hundred and Twenty-seventh and One Hundred and Thirty-fifth streets, Manhattan, respectfully

REPORTS:

That Secretary Downing appeared before the Committee and explained that this viaduct had not been painted since 1903, and the Borough Engineers have reported that it will disintegrate if not painted. Chief Engineer Tillson estimates that to paint this structure with three coats will cost the amount asked for.

The Committee recommends that the said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That, pursuant to subdivision 8 of section 188 of the Greater New York Charter, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment is hereby requested to authorize the Comptroller to issue Special Revenue Bonds in the amount of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000), the proceeds to be used for the purpose of painting the Riverside Drive Viaduct, between One Hundred and Twenty-seventh and One Hundred and Thirty-fifth streets, Borough of Manhattan.

R. S. DOULL, JAMES W. REDMOND, JOHN DIEMER, ARTHUR H. MURPHY, JOHN D. GUNTHNER, JOHN MULVANEY, JOHN J. COLLINS, WM. P. KENNEALLY, FRANK L. DOWLING, Committee on Finance.

Which was laid over.

No. 244—(G. O. No. 9).

The Committee on Finance, to which was referred, on February 18, 1908 (Minutes, page 1025), the annexed resolution for \$85,000 Special Revenue Bonds for cleaning and repairing sewers in Manhattan, respectfully

REPORTS:

That the details of this application are set forth in the annexed letter from Chief Engineer Loomis. Secretary Downing appeared before the Committee and stated that the Budget allowance is so divided that it cannot be used for these purposes.

The Committee recommends that the said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of subdivision 8, section 188 of the Greater New York Charter as amended, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and it is hereby requested to authorize the Comptroller to issue Special Revenue Bonds to the amount of eighty-five thousand dollars (\$85,000), for the purpose of cleaning and repairing sewers, and the purchase of necessary equipment and supplies for the Bureau of Sewers, under the supervision of the President of the Borough of Manhattan.

R. S. DOULL, JAMES W. REDMOND, JOHN DIEMER, ARTHUR H. MURPHY, JOHN D. GUNTHNER, JOHN MULVANEY, JOHN J. COLLINS, WM. P. KENNEALLY, FRANK L. DOWLING, Committee on Finance.

Which was laid over.

No. 254—(G. O. No. 10).

The Committee on Finance, to which was referred, on February 18, 1908 (Minutes, page 1029), the annexed resolution for \$5,500 Special Revenue Bonds for maintenance of new public comfort station at Willis Avenue Bridge, respectfully

REPORTS:

That Secretary Downing appeared before the Committee and explained that when the Budget for 1908 was made up this station was not ready, and it has only recently been completed; nothing was allowed for maintenance; this amount, it is estimated, will be sufficient to pay the expenses of this station.

The Committee recommends that the said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That, pursuant to subdivision 8 of section 188 of the Greater New York Charter, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment is hereby requested to authorize the Comptroller to issue Special Revenue Bonds in the amount of five thousand five hundred dollars (\$5,500) for the purpose of providing funds for the maintenance and operation of the new public comfort station at Willis Avenue Bridge, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street and First avenue, Borough of Manhattan, for the year 1908.

R. S. DOULL, JAMES W. REDMOND, JOHN DIEMER, ARTHUR H. MURPHY, JOHN D. GUNTHNER, JOHN MULVANEY, JOHN J. COLLINS, WM. P. KENNEALLY, FRANK L. DOWLING, Committee on Finance.

Which was laid over.

Reports of Committee on Public Letting—

No. 160—(G. O. No. 11).

The Committee on Public Letting, to which was referred, on February 4, 1908 (Minutes, page 913), the annexed resolution permitting the Department of Water

Supply, Gas and Electricity to expend \$46,500 for emergent repairs without public letting, respectfully

REPORTS:

That Deputy Commissioner Loughman appeared before the Committee and stated that these repairs were invariably ordered from the manufacturers of the various appliances in use. The letter of the Commissioner transmitting the resolution explains the necessity for this permission.

The Committee recommends that the said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity be and is hereby authorized and empowered to expend without the formality of advertising for competitive bids or proposals the sum of forty-six thousand five hundred dollars (\$46,500), to be used for the repair of boilers, engines, pumps and appurtenances, the money to be divided as follows:

Boroughs of Manhattan and The Bronx.....	\$18,000 00
Borough of Brooklyn.....	25,000 00
Borough of Queens.....	2,000 00
Borough of Richmond.....	1,500 00

FRANK L. DOWLING, G. A. COLGAN, JACOB J. VELTEN, F. C. HOCHDORFFER, ROBERT F. DOWNING, JAMES J. SMITH, JOHN DIEMER, Committee on Public Letting.

Which was laid over.

No. 226—(G. O. No. 12).

The Committee on Public Letting, to whom was referred, on February 18, 1908 (Minutes, page 1003), the annexed resolution permitting the President of the Borough of Richmond to purchase coal without public letting during 1908, at an expense not to exceed \$7,500, respectfully

REPORTS:

That Commissioner of Public Works Tribus appeared before the Committee and stated that better results could be obtained in the Borough of Richmond by purchasing coal in the open market than by advertising, on account of the distance of the various stations from the several dealers. This permission has been granted in previous years. The Committee recommends that said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That, in pursuance of the provisions of section 419 of the Greater New York Charter, the President of the Borough of Richmond be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to purchase coal for the year 1908 in open market, without public letting, to an amount not exceeding seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500).

FRANK L. DOWLING, JACOB J. VELTEN, JOHN DIEMER, FREDERICK C. HOCHDORFFER, ROBERT F. DOWNING, G. A. COLGAN, Committee on Public Letting.

Which was laid over.

No. 233—(G. O. No. 13).

The Committee on Public Letting, to which was referred, on February 18, 1908 (Minutes, page 1020), the annexed resolution permitting the Police Department to purchase twenty typewriting machines without public letting, at an expense not to exceed \$2,000, respectfully

REPORTS:

That Inspector Titus appeared before the Committee and explained that typewriting machines were to be installed in the various precincts and district offices and the Detective Bureau, and that this number was needed to make the card index system uniform throughout the Department. The money for this purpose has been appropriated. The Committee recommends that the said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That, in pursuance of the provisions of section 419 of the Greater New York Charter, the Police Commissioner be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to purchase in open market, without public letting, twenty typewriting machines, to an amount not exceeding a total of two thousand dollars (\$2,000).

FRANK L. DOWLING, JAMES J. SMITH, ROBERT F. DOWNING, F. C. HOCHDORFFER, JACOB J. VELTEN, G. A. COLGAN, Committee on Public Letting.

Which was laid over.

No. 242—(G. O. No. 14).

The Committee on Public Letting, to which was referred, on February 18, 1908 (Minutes, page 1025), the annexed resolution permitting the President of the Borough of Manhattan to contract, without public letting, for repairs to asphalt pavements, at a certain fixed sum, respectfully

REPORTS:

That Secretary Downing appeared before the Committee and explained that a contract for the year expiring May 1, 1908, for repairing asphalt pavements in Manhattan, had been let to one company in three separate districts, being virtually three contracts. That it had been found that the money allowed for one of these districts was not sufficient for the purpose, while in the other two districts there would be a surplus. That this resolution was to allow this surplus to be used on the contract in which there would otherwise be a deficiency, and that this resolution had been prepared in this form under instructions from the Corporation Counsel. The Committee recommends that the said resolution be adopted.

Whereas, In compliance with the terms of a public advertisement inviting bids, three contracts were, on May 1, 1907, awarded to Uvalde Asphalt Paving Company for repairing and maintaining the asphalt in three districts of the Borough of Manhattan, New York City, designated as the Northwest District, Northeast District and Lower District; and

Whereas, The quantities of the work to be done under the contracts in question were set forth in each contract and in two of the contracts were found to be excessive and in one of the contracts inadequate; and

Whereas, The price set forth in each contract is the same, viz.: For completed asphalt pavement, including binder course, per square yard, the sum of 83 cents; for Portland cement concrete foundation, per cubic yard, the sum of \$6.75; and

Whereas, It is deemed advisable to have the surplus moneys not used in the two districts before mentioned used in the third district at the same price which appears in all the contracts; now be it

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of section 419 of the Charter, the President of the Borough of Manhattan be and he hereby is authorized to contract, without public letting, for repairs to the asphalt pavements at the before mentioned sum, the said expense to be payable from the appropriation made available by resolution of the Board of Aldermen approved by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on May 10, 1907, and entitled for the purpose of repairing and maintaining asphalt pavements in the Borough of Manhattan, the work in question to be completed within the time originally set forth in the contracts mentioned.

FRANK L. DOWLING, JACOB J. VELTEN, JOHN DIEMER, FREDERICK C. HOCHDORFFER, ROBERT F. DOWNING, G. A. COLGAN, Committee on Public Letting.

Which was laid over.

Reports of Committee on Salaries and Offices—

No. 60.

The Committee on Salaries and Offices, to which was referred, on January 14, 1908 (Minutes, page 127), the annexed resolution, in favor of appointing P. J. O'Connell an Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms, respectfully

REPORTS:

That the full number of Assistant Sergeants-at-Arms allowed in the Budget having been appointed, it recommends that the said resolution be placed on file.

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and hereby is requested to set aside an appropriation of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to pay for the services of P. J. O'Connell as an Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms of the Board of Aldermen for the year 1908.

Resolved, further, That P. J. O'Connell, of No. 1231 Hoe avenue, in the Borough of The Bronx, be and he is hereby elected as Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms of the Board of Aldermen for the years 1908 and 1909, at a salary of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per annum, the same to take effect from the date of the setting aside of the necessary appropriation therefor by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

R. S. DOULL, JOHN DIEMER, SAMUEL MARX, W. P. SANDIFORD, MICHAEL STAPLETON, EDW. V. HANDY, Committee on Salaries and Offices.

Under Rule 21 consideration of this report was deferred. Subsequently Alderman Doull moved the adoption of this report.

Which report was accepted.

No. 193.

The Committee on Salaries and Offices, to which was referred, on February 11, 1908 (Minutes, page 961), the annexed resolution, in favor of fixing grades and salaries for Marriage License Clerks and Interpreters under the City Clerk, respectfully

REPORTS:

That, owing to the great rush of applicants under the new law, this additional force is an absolute necessity.

The Committee recommends that the said resolution be adopted.

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment, at a meeting held February 7, 1908, adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That for the purpose of complying with the requirements of chapter 742, Laws of 1907, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, in accordance with the provisions of section 56 of the Greater New York Charter, hereby recommends to the Board of Aldermen the establishment of the following additional positions in the office of the Board of Aldermen and City Clerk:

Per Annum.

Boroughs of Manhattan and The Bronx—

3 Clerks, preparing and examining applications, each.....	\$1,200 00
2 Clerks, posting in record books from applications, each.....	1,200 00
1 Clerk, indexing records.....	1,200 00
1 Italian Interpreter.....	1,200 00
1 Hebrew Interpreter.....	1,200 00

Borough of Brooklyn—

2 Clerks, preparing and examining applications, each.....	1,200 00
1 Clerk, posting in record books from applications.....	1,200 00
1 Clerk, indexing records.....	1,200 00
1 Italian Interpreter.....	1,200 00
1 Hebrew Interpreter.....	1,200 00

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen hereby approves of and concurs in the above resolution and fixes the salaries of said positions as set forth therein.

R. S. DOULL, SAMUEL MARX, ARTHUR H. MURPHY, W. P. SANDIFORD, MICHAEL STAPLETON, EDW. V. HANDY, Committee on Salaries and Offices.

Under Rule 21 consideration of this report was deferred. Subsequently Alderman Doull moved the adoption of this report.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree to accept such report and adopt said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Baldwin, Barton, Bent, J. W. Brown, Cole, Colgan, Corbett, Delaney, Doull, Dowling, Drescher, Emener, Finnigan, Flynn, Heffernan, Hines, Hochdorffer, Hogan, Kavanagh, Kenneally, Kenney, Levine, Loos, Marx, McAleer, McDonald, Moskowitz, Mulcahy, Mulligan, Mulvaney, Nagle, Nugent, O'Reilly, Reardon, Redmond, Rendt, Sandiford, Smith, Stapleton, Velten, Walsh, President Coler and the President—43.

No. 194.

The Committee on Salaries and Offices, to which was referred, on February 11, 1908 (Minutes, page 966), the annexed resolution, in favor of fixing grades and salaries for Marriage License Clerks under the County Clerk of New York County, respectfully

REPORTS:

That, owing to the great increase of work in properly indexing and recording these papers, caused by the Marriage License Law, commencing this year, this additional force is an absolute necessity.

The Committee recommends that the said resolution be adopted.

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment, at a meeting held February 7, 1908, adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That for the purpose of complying with the requirements of chapter 742, Laws of 1907, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, in accordance with the provisions of section 56 of the Greater New York Charter, hereby recommends to the Board of Aldermen the establishment of the following additional positions in the County Clerk's office, County of New York:

Per Annum.

2 Clerks, posting in record books from applications and licenses, each ..	\$1,200 00
1 Clerk, indexing records.....	1,200 00
2 Clerks, to make duplicate copies for State Department of Health, each ..	1,200 00

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen hereby approves of and concurs in the above resolution and fixes the salaries of said positions as set forth therein.

R. S. DOULL, SAMUEL MARX, ARTHUR H. MURPHY, W. P. SANDIFORD, MICHAEL STAPLETON, EDW. V. HANDY, Committee on Salaries and Offices.

Under Rule 21 consideration of this report was deferred. Subsequently Alderman Doull moved the adoption of this report.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree to accept such report and adopt said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Baldwin, Barton, Bent, J. W. Brown, Colgan, Corbett, Delaney, Doull, Dowling, Drescher, Emener, Finnigan, Flynn, Hines, Hochdorffer, Hogan, Kavanagh, Kenneally, Kenney, Levine, Loos, Marx, McAleer, McDonald, Moskowitz, Muhlbaier, Mulcahy, Mulvaney, Nagle, Nugent, O'Reilly, Reardon, Redmond, Rendt, Sandiford, Smith, Stapleton, Velten, Walsh, President Coler and the President—41.

No. 207.

The Committee on Salaries and Offices to which was referred on February 11, 1908 (Minutes, page 993), the annexed resolution appointing Charles G. Hannock a City Surveyor, respectfully

REPORTS:

That the usual letters of reference having been filed with this application, the Committee recommends that the said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That Charles G. Hannock, of No. 73 South Oxford street, in the Borough of Brooklyn, be and he is hereby appointed a City Surveyor.

R. S. DOULL, JOHN DIEMER, SAMUEL MARX, ARTHUR H. MURPHY, W. P. SANDIFORD, MICHAEL STAPLETON, Committee on Salaries and Offices.

Under Rule 21 consideration of this report was deferred. Subsequently Alderman Doull moved the adoption of this report.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree to accept such report and adopt said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Baldwin, Barton, Bent, B. W. B. Brown, Case, Coleman, Colgan, Corbett, Davis, Delaney, Diemer, Doull, Dowling, Drescher, Esterbrook, Finnigan, Gaynor, Goldschmidt, Gunther, Heffernan, Hochdorffer, Hogan, Kavanagh, Kenney, Linde, Loos, Marx, McAleer, Moskowitz, Muhlbaier, Mulvaney, Nagle, Nugent, O'Reilly, Potter, Rendt, Sandiford, Schloss, Stormont, Velten and Walsh—42.

At this point Alderman Dowling took the Chair.

GENERAL ORDERS.

Alderman Doull called up General Order No. 2, being a report as follows:

No. 232.

Resolved. By the Committee on Buildings of the Board of Aldermen, in pursuance of authority vested in it by resolution of the Board of Aldermen adopted January 21, 1908, that Edwin R. Knowles be, and he hereby is, appointed a member of the Building Code Revision Commission as Engineer, in place of Austin L. Bowman, declined.

WM. P. KENNEALLY, R. S. DOULL, P. E. NAGLE, JAMES J. SMITH, JOHN MULVANEY, JACOB J. VELTEN, Committee on Buildings.

Which, on motion of Alderman Doull, was ordered on file.

MOTIONS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS RESUMED.

No. 278.

By the President—

Resolved, That the following named persons be and they are hereby appointed Commissioners of Deeds:

By the President—

Wm. E. Parremore, No. 646 Hancock street, Brooklyn.
Lillian Rosenfelt, No. 63 West Ninety-seventh street, Manhattan.
Hugh Reid, Health Department, Manhattan.
W. C. Griffin, No. 306 Broadway, Manhattan.
Pheobe Kennaugh, No. 622 Fifty-fourth street, Brooklyn.
May H. Cooke, No. 1080 Madison avenue, Manhattan.
Charles J. Dunn, No. 695 St. Nicholas avenue, Manhattan.

By Alderman Beyer—

Henry Spahr, No. 540 West Fifty-first street, Manhattan.

By Alderman Barton—

Duel C. Haff, Norman avenue and Leonard street, Brooklyn.

By Alderman Bent—

L. H. Sneider, No. 1108 Madison street, Manhattan.

By Alderman Brown—

William Herron, No. 1254 Stebbins avenue, Bronx.

By Alderman Cole—

William J. Yetman, Tottenville, Richmond.

By Alderman Colgan—

Wm. W. Vaughn, No. 62 Prospect street, Brooklyn.

James B. Murphy, No. 52 Dufield street, Brooklyn.

By Alderman Carter—

Clinton W. Merrill, Broadway, Ozone Park, L. I.

Ernest J. Sleanack, Jamaica, L. I.

By Alderman Dowling—

Frederick Wendel, No. 501 West One Hundred and Thirty-third street, Manhattan.

By Alderman Doull—

Charles H. Kuhn, No. 472 Eighth avenue, Manhattan.

By Alderman Diemer—

Simon C. Weinberg, No. 171 Vernon avenue, Brooklyn.

E. H. Erckmann, No. 105 Tompkins avenue, Brooklyn.

A. Feldblum, No. 774 Broadway, Brooklyn.

By Alderman Downing—

Vincent J. Kowalski, No. 831 Quincy street, Brooklyn.

By Alderman Drescher—

Kenneth M. McEwen, No. 207 Broadway, Manhattan.

By Alderman Esterbrook—

Frederick A. Wells, No. 1273 Bedford avenue, Brooklyn.

William H. Snedeker, No. 339a Halsey street, Brooklyn.

By Alderman Finnigan—

Stephen Zeuner, No. 90 Starr street, Brooklyn.

Joseph Golub, No. 60 Graham avenue, Brooklyn.

By Alderman Flynn—

Richard H. Morgan, No. 127 West Sixteenth street, Manhattan.

Leon Cohen, No. 553 Herkimer street, Brooklyn.

By Alderman Gunther—

Leo Umanoff, Department of Parks, Brooklyn.

Leory W. Ross, No. 44 Court street, Brooklyn.

By Alderman Gaynor—

Irving S. Mahnken, No. 74 Rodney street, Brooklyn.

By Alderman Goldschmidt—

Leonce Levy, No. 21 East One Hundred and Nineteenth street, Manhattan.

Joseph A. Lehecka, No. 1448 First avenue, Manhattan.

By Alderman Hochdorffer—

Jos. Brand, No. 481 East One Hundred and Seventy-first street, Bronx.

By Alderman Heffernan—

James Mulcahy, No. 189 Thirty-second street, Brooklyn.

By Alderman Hines—

H. V. Holde, No. 63 West One Hundred and Ninth street, Manhattan.

William Berg, No. 260 Eighth avenue, Manhattan.

By Alderman Johnson—

Edward J. Rathers, No. 42 Broadway, Manhattan.

By Alderman Kenney—

John H. Kelley, No. 44 Wyckoff street, Brooklyn.

Edward A. Fleissner, No. 468 Court street, Brooklyn.

By Alderman Kavanagh—

Erwin Keeke, No. 954 Lexington avenue, Manhattan.

By Alderman Levine—

Charles I. White, No. 128 Prince street, Manhattan.

Herman Bernstein, No. 83 Hester street, Manhattan.

Max Leff, No. 610 Hart street, Brooklyn.

Simon Newman, No. 138 Forsyth street, Manhattan.

Paul Englander, No. 302 Broadway, Manhattan.

Barnett Zuckerman, No. 325 Broome street, Manhattan.

Max L. Tillman, No. 1050 DeKalb avenue, Manhattan.

By Alderman Martyn—

Myron Krieger, No. 287 Lefferts avenue, Brooklyn.

By Alderman Moskowitz—

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Baldwin, Barton, Bent, Beyer, B. W. B. Brown, Case, Coleman, Corbett, Davis, Delaney, Doull, Dowling, Emener, Finnigan, Flynn, Gaynor, Grimm, Gunther, Heffernan, Hines, Hochdorffer, Johnson, Kavanagh, Kenney, Loos, Martyn, Marx, McAleer, Moskowitz, Muhlbauer, Nugent, O'Reilly, Quinn, Redmond, Rendt, Sandiford, Smith, Stapleton, Stornmont, Veltin, Walsh; President Coler—42.

No. 279.

By Alderman Mulligan—

Resolved, That permission be and the same hereby is given to Carmine Parrotta to erect a barber pole at Two Hundred and Thirty-third street and White Plains avenue, in the Borough of The Bronx, in accordance with the ordinance in such case made and provided.

Which was adopted.

No. 280.

By Alderman Mulcahy—

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Parks for the Boroughs of Manhattan and Richmond be and he is hereby respectfully requested to modify the regulations affecting the use of the Speedway, from One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street to the level, during the continuance of snow, by permitting, during certain restricted hours, and governed by precautionary measures against accident, the use of the incline for bobsleds, a concession, necessarily temporary in its nature, which would be greatly appreciated by all lovers of winter sports in the vicinity of the Speedway.

Which was adopted.

No. 281.

By Alderman Marx—

Whereas, It is evident that much convenience and great good would result to the people of The City of New York through the installation of public telephone booths with pay stations at the various stations of the subway and elevated railroad lines in The City of New York; and

Whereas, The Board of Aldermen being desirous of going on record upon this proposed measure; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen do hereby call upon the officials of the New York Telephone Company to give to the public the relief sought for by these resolutions; and be it further

Resolved, That the officials of the subway and elevated railroad company lines do get into communication with the officials of the New York Telephone Company in order to co-operate with them for the purpose of aiding and assisting the New York Telephone Company in bringing about this proposed relief.

Which was referred to the Committee on Affairs of Boroughs.

No. 282.

By Alderman McAleer—

Whereas, A large proportion of the people living in the Williamsburg and Bedford Districts of the Borough of Brooklyn who come daily to the sister Borough to earn their livelihood reside between the East River and the Plaza; and

Whereas, Bedford avenue is the main artery issuing from and leading to the Williamsburg Bridge in the aforesaid districts; and

Whereas, The elevated railway system is about to be put in operation upon the Williamsburg Bridge and the nearest station from Manhattan is to be located above the Plaza at Broadway and Marcy avenue; be it

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Bridges be requested to establish a permanent station for all trains and all trolley lines upon the bridge at Bedford avenue, and, if need be, to raise the grade of all tracks between the Brooklyn towers and the Plaza, to insure the safe landing of passengers upon the proposed station at Bedford avenue.

Which was adopted.

No. 283.

By Alderman Johnson—

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be and he is hereby requested to return to this Board for further consideration a resolution adopted February 18, 1908 (Int. No. 248), giving permission to Brooks Brothers to erect a temporary awning in front of their premises Nos. 936 and 938 Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan.

Which was adopted.

No. 284.

By Alderman Levine—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Sparber Bros. to place and keep a showcase in front of their premises at the northeast corner of Grand and Forsyth streets, in the Borough of Manhattan, provided that such showcase be erected so as to conform in all respects with the provisions of the ordinance in such case made and provided; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Board of Aldermen.

Which was adopted.

No. 285.

By Alderman Johnson—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to James McCreery & Co. to erect a temporary awning or occasional rain protector, to be used only when required as a protection, in front of their premises No. 72 West Twenty-third street, in the Borough of Manhattan, such awning to be erected in conformity with the ordinance in such case made and provided; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Board of Aldermen.

Which was adopted.

No. 286.

By Alderman Emener—

Whereas, Pursuant to the provisions of section 722 of the Charter of The City of New York, it is provided that the paid Fire Department system shall, as soon as practicable, be extended over the Boroughs of Queens and Richmond by the Fire Commissioner, and thereupon the present volunteer fire department now maintained therein shall be disbanded; and

Whereas, In pursuance of said provisions, the said paid Fire Department has from time to time been extended over Far Rockaway, Rockaway Beach, Arverne, Jamaica and Richmond Hill, in the Borough of Queens, to a great advantage of those communities; and

Whereas, The Second Ward of the Borough of Queens, covering a territory of approximately twenty-seven (27) square miles, is a territory which has greatly improved since consolidation by the erection of hundreds of buildings therein, and has also more than tripled itself in population, and which said territory is still under the supervision and protection of the volunteer fire department; and

Whereas, The residents of the said Second Ward, while they appreciate the excellent work done by the members of the Newtown Fire Department, which is a volunteer department, in protecting their property from damage by fire, feel that the time has arrived when their now thickly populated communities should be protected by a regular fire department, as is the case in other sections of the Borough of Queens less thickly populated; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen of The City of New York do hereby recommend to the Fire Commissioner and Deputy Fire Commissioner of The City of New York that the paid Fire Department be extended over all of the Second Ward of the Borough of Queens, wherein fire department work and duty is now performed by the Newtown Fire Department, a volunteer department; and be it further

Resolved, That the Fire Commissioner be requested to immediately take and commence such action or proceedings, pursuant to the provisions of the Charter of The City of New York, as may be required to extend and install the paid Fire Department over said Second Ward of the Borough of Queens; and furthermore,

That the said Commissioner, pursuant to law, shall make application for an issue of Revenue Bonds to cover the cost of extending and installing the paid Fire Department over said territory.

Which was adopted.

No. 287.

By Alderman Doull—

Whereas, The number of flat and private house robberies is nightly increasing on the upper west side of this City, in the Borough of Manhattan, and the boldness of the marauders have placed that section of the City in nightly terror; and

Whereas, The citizens residing there and paying their just proportion of the expenses of the City Government are entitled to a peaceful possession of their property and the best possible protection against thieves and possibly murderers; and

Whereas, The Commissioner of Police, through the public press, has attempted to hold the people responsible through negligence in not taking proper care to secure their

homes against forcible and unlawful entry as an apparent excuse for not giving proper and adequate police protection, and as a confession of his inability to cope with the situation with his present force; and

Whereas, Under subdivision 14 of section 49 of the Charter it is the duty of the Board of Aldermen "to provide for the more effectual suppression of vice or immorality and the preserving of peace and good order in said City;" now therefore be it

Resolved, That in pursuance of the provisions of subdivision 8 of section 188 of the Greater New York Charter, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and is hereby requested to authorize the Comptroller to issue Special Revenue Bonds to the amount of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), the proceeds of which to pay for the employment of competent private detectives from responsible detective agencies in this City under the direction of his Honor the Mayor, or the person designated by him, such detectives to be appointed special officers and to do duty in citizen's dress from 8 o'clock p. m. until 6 o'clock a. m. in sections of this city where burglaries and "hold ups" occur.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police.

No. 288.

By Alderman Downing—

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Code of Ordinances of The City of New York in relation to "Common Shows."

Be it Ordained by the Board of Aldermen of The City of New York as follows: Section 1. Section 352, subdivision 11, title 1, chapter 7 of the Code of Ordinances of The City of New York, relating to "Common Shows" is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following paragraph:

And every device defined as a common show which shall be used for the purpose of carrying or riding passengers, however propelled, shall be equipped with safety gates, a failure of which shall be subject to such penalty or penalties as may be provided in section 379 of this Code.

Sec. 2. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Note—New matter in *italics*.

Which was referred to the Committee on Laws and Legislation.

No. 289.

By Alderman Corbett—

AN ORDINANCE in relation to projections on Van Buren street, in the Borough of The Bronx.

Be it Ordained by the Board of Aldermen of The City of New York as follows: No areas, steps, court yards, or other projections except show windows not exceeding eighteen (18) inches in width and signs not projecting more than twelve (12) inches from the house lines, shall hereafter be built, or erected, or made upon Van Buren street, between Morris Park avenue and West Farms road, in the Borough of The Bronx, while said Van Buren street remains at its present width of fifty (50) feet.

That any person or persons who shall hereafter make, build or erect any arca, steps, stoops, court yard, or other projection, in contravention of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be liable to a penalty of ten dollars (\$10) for each offence, and to a penalty of ten dollars (\$10) for each and every day that such offence shall continue.

Which was referred to the Committee on Laws and Legislation.

No. 290.

By the same—

Resolved, That it be and it is hereby recommended to the Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity that two lamp-posts be erected, street lamps placed thereon and lighted in front of St. Peter's Church, Westchester avenue, in the Borough of The Bronx.

Which was adopted.

No. 291.

By Alderman Colgan—

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Code of Ordinances of The City of New York in relation to the "Rules of the Road."

Be it Ordained by the Board of Aldermen of The City of New York as follows: Section 1. Section 455 of article 2 of chapter 12 of Part I of the Code of Ordinances of The City of New York relating to exceptions in the case of speed of vehicles is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 455. Exceptions—Nothing in this article shall apply to the apparatus and wagons of the Fire and Police Departments, the Fire Patrol, ambulances, emergency repair wagons of street railroads, (and) vehicles carrying the United States mail (.), and the vehicles of physicians while on emergency calls if the following conditions be complied with: that each such vehicle have on the rear thereof the name and address of the physician owning or using it; that in the daytime each such vehicle be designated by a white flag with a red cross, and in the night time by a white light with a red cross, on front and back.

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

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Note—New matter in *italics*; old matter in parenthesis () to be omitted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Laws and Legislation.

No. 292.

By the same—

AN ORDINANCE designating a public hack stand in the Borough of Brooklyn.

Be it Ordained by the Board of Aldermen of The City of New York as follows: Section 1. That any duly licensed hackney coach or cab may stand, while waiting for employment, at the plaza on Fulton and Court streets, in front of the Borough Hall, Borough of Brooklyn.

Sec. 2. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Which was referred to the Committee on Laws and Legislation.

No. 293.

By the same—

Resolved, That it is recommended to the Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity that a lamp-post be erected, street lamps placed thereon and lighted, one hundred feet east of Bridge street, on south side of Nassau street, in the Borough of Brooklyn.

Which was adopted.

No. 294.

By Alderman B. W. B. Brown—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Thomas L. Wells to erect a temporary awning during rainy or inclement weather over the sidewalk in front of the premises No. 128 East Forty-second street, in the Borough of Manhattan, provided that the same shall be erected so as to conform in all respects with the provisions of the ordinance in such case made and provided, the work to be done at his own expense and with the consent and subject to the supervision and direction of the President of the Borough of Manhattan; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Board of Aldermen.

Which was adopted.

No. 295.

By Alderman Barton—

Whereas, The failure of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company to operate cars on its Nassau avenue line from shortly after midnight to about 5 o'clock in the morning works a hardship on many residents in that section of the city and is an inconvenience from which they should not be compelled to suffer; therefore

Resolved, That the Public Service Commission for the First District be and hereby is requested to require the said Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company to operate the cars on its Nassau avenue branch under a reasonable headway at all hours of the night.

Which was adopted.

Alderman Levine moved that the Board do now adjourn.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the Chairman pro tem. declared that the Board stood adjourned until Tuesday, March 3, 1908, at 1.30 o'clock p. m.

P. J. SCULLY,
City Clerk and Clerk of the Board of Aldermen.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Sanitary Company (Boiler Squad),
February 7, 1908.

Hon. THEODORE A. BINGHAM, Police Commissioner:

Sir—In compliance with orders relative to engineers' certificates issued by me under section 312 of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882 as amended, the following report will show the names of the persons to whom licenses were issued, class of license and location for the same, during twenty-four hours ending 12 midnight, February 7, 1908:

First Class.

Wm. T. Dunlany, No. 100 East Nineteenth street.
Thomas Hynes, No. 83 Beekman street.
Edward Knickerbocker, No. 213 East Forty-fourth street.
Martin Kramer, No. 97 Nassau street.
Francis H. Murray, No. 85 Grand street.
Jacob Boist, No. 498 Flushing avenue, Brooklyn.

Second Class.

John Croly, No. 401 East Thirty-sixth street.
Michael G. Dwyer, No. 20 Broad street.
George S. Crum, Van Cortlandt Park.
John Gilliard, No. 55 White street.
William J. Jones, No. 1332 Broadway.
Robt. Qua, No. 175 West Fifty-eighth street.
Chas. G. Schaub, No. 520 West Twentieth street.
Chas. Hallberg, No. 15 Lawrence street, Brooklyn.
Geo. F. Holtham, Smith and Huntington streets, Brooklyn.
John Crombie, No. 33 Furman street, Brooklyn.

Third Class.

James Cox, Broadway and Seventy-seventh street.
John J. Darby, No. 10 West Thirtieth street.
Joseph Doras, No. 23 City Hall place.
Patrick J. Haley, Pier 13, North River.
John Higgins, No. 14 Rivington street.
Geo. H. Jump, Vanderbilt avenue and Forty-third street.
Martin J. Kelly, No. 4 East Sixtieth street.
John Kline, No. 500 Fifth avenue.
Patrick Murphy, One Hundred and Fifty-fourth street and Sheridan avenue.
Benjamin Morrison, foot of Dover street.
Walter Montgomery, No. 25 William street.
Thomas A. McGrath, Harlem River and Seventh avenue.
Gustave M. Osterberg, No. 49 West Twenty-sixth street.
Michael Quinn, No. 1162 Broadway.
John Runquist, No. 114 West Twenty-ninth street.
George Sibbold, No. 1 West Sixty-eighth street.
George Schaefer, No. 243 West Forty-seventh street.
Henry Welz, Tottenville, Staten Island.
Hubert Wood, No. 30 West Forty-fourth street.
Seward Wheatley, No. 890 Broadway.
John M. Wicker, foot of West Fortieth street.
Michael A. Hook, No. 624 Madison avenue, Brooklyn.
Joseph McSpirit, No. 118 Wayne street, Jersey City.
Peter Darcey, No. 200 Diamond street, Brooklyn.
Henry Lerch, No. 502 Kent avenue, Brooklyn.
John R. Bowman, No. 514 East Twenty-third street, Brooklyn.

Special.

Thos. Darling, East Schofield avenue, Coney Island.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY BREEN, Lieutenant-in-Command.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Sanitary Company (Boiler Squad),
February 8, 1908.

Hon. THEODORE A. BINGHAM, Police Commissioner:

Sir—In compliance with orders relative to engineers' certificates issued by me under section 312 of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882 as amended, the following report will show the names of the persons to whom licenses were issued, class of license and location for the same, during twenty-four hours ending 12 midnight, February 8, 1908:

First Class.

Ernest Easty, One Hundred and Forty-fourth street and Mott avenue.
William Flynn, One Hundred and Forty-seventh street, Seventh and Eighth avenues.
Patrick Dowd, No. 251 West One Hundred and Thirty-third street.
Geo. A. Diak, No. 6 Court street, Brooklyn.

Second Class.

Leonard Bloodgood, No. 17 Battery place.
Robt. P. Lumley, No. 299 Broadway.
Thos. McDonald, No. 533 West Twenty-fourth street.
Oscar Mauborgne, No. 403 East One Hundred and Eighth street.

Third Class.

John R. Campbell, No. 346 West Seventeenth street.
Albert C. Harrison, Nos. 13 to 21 Park row.
John J. Hook, foot of West Ninety-sixth street.
Ralph L. Looby, No. 801 Greenwich street.
Frank Polster, No. 5 Hubert street.
Walter H. Pitt, No. 1 West Thirtieth street.
William H. O'Neill, foot of East Twenty-sixth street.
Chas. Schottler, No. 228 East One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street.
William Dunton, No. 181 Union street, Brooklyn.
Geo. R. Gage, Myrtle avenue and Railroad crossing, Brooklyn.
Geo. Keifer, No. 321 Bushwick avenue, Brooklyn.
G. Pizzoferrato, No. 298 Gold street, Brooklyn.
Theo. Redmond, No. 662 Carroll street, Brooklyn.
Michael Dunne, No. 542 Vernon avenue, Brooklyn.
Geo. Winters, Ralph street and Grand View avenue, Brooklyn.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY BREEN, Lieutenant-in-Command.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Sanitary Company (Boiler Squad),
February 10, 1908.

Hon. THEO. A. BINGHAM, Police Commissioner:

Sir—In compliance with orders relative to Engineers' certificates issued by me under section 312 of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, as amended, the following report will show the names of the persons to whom licenses were issued, class of license and location for the same, during the twenty-four hours ending 12 midnight, February 10, 1908:

First Class.

Joseph F. Carney, No. 524 Fifth avenue.
John Swift, No. 549 West One Hundred and Thirty-second street.
William J. McKenney, No. 80 Stanhope street, Brooklyn.

Second Class.

John Elliott, One Hundred and Fortieth street and Edgecombe avenue.
Edward Kruckeberg, No. 261 Eleventh avenue.
John Meyers, No. 156 Chambers street.
John McAsey, foot of East Twenty-sixth street.
John R. Sperry, One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street and St. Ann's avenue.

Third Class.

Frank Blaney, Broadway and Forty-fifth street.
Geo. D. Clark, No. 128 Fulton street.
George Curtis, Greenridge, S. I.
John Donnelly, Linoleumville, S. I.
Reinhart Donath, Broadway and Twenty-second street.
Patrick Fitzgerald, No. 313 Greenwich street.
John Keeb, No. 231 Rider avenue.
John F. Lovington, No. 208 Broad street, Elizabeth, N. J.
Owen Morris, No. 90 Wall street.
James McKeown, No. 8 West Twenty-third street.
Peter McCabe, No. 603 West Forty-fifth street.
George B. O'Day, Nos. 4 to 8 East Twenty-eighth street.
Joseph H. O'Neill, Eleventh avenue, Fifty-eighth to Fifty-ninth street.
Robt. F. A. Pfeifer, No. 1245 Broadway.
Louis A. Schreiner, Pier 14, East River.
Ike Swimer, No. 49 Elizabeth street.
James Stevenson, No. 79 Spring street.
John D. Wiebalk, No. 535 East Seventieth street.
Rudolph Weidner, No. 14 Rivington street.
Paul Zeruba, No. 4241 Third avenue.
William Christianson, Grand street and Newtown Creek, Brooklyn.
Thomas Hopkins, No. 391 Leonard street, Brooklyn.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY BREEN,
Lieutenant in Command.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Sanitary Company (Boiler Squad),
February 11, 1908.

Hon. THEO. A. BINGHAM, Police Commissioner:

Sir—In compliance with orders relative to Engineers' certificates issued by me under section 312 of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, as amended, the following report will show the names of the persons to whom licenses were issued, class of license and location for the same, during the twenty-four hours ending 12 midnight, February 11, 1908:

First Class.

John Foley, No. 146 Central Park West.
Andrew Kennedy, No. 1 West Eighty-first street.
John Krug, Castleton Corners, S. I.
Walter Meyer, Second avenue and Ninety-second street.
William E. Nelson, No. 115 East Twenty-ninth street.
John J. O'Brien, No. 369 Fourth avenue.
Peter Welch, West and Java streets, Brooklyn.
Patrick J. Keleghan, No. 215 Bushwick avenue, Brooklyn.

Second Class.

Gustav W. Burgess, No. 41 Broadway.
Albert E. Bornmann, No. 30 Thomas street.
John Crossen, No. 219 Fourth avenue.
William Downey, No. 59 Ann street.
John J. Hoagland, No. 347 West Twenty-sixth street.
Rodger T. Harrison, foot of West Fifty-seventh street.
Francis Cleary, No. 10 Sandford street, Brooklyn.
Geo. Reoch, Eleventh street and Gowanus Canal, Brooklyn.
Edward McGrath, Fulton street and Flatbush avenue, Brooklyn.

Third Class.

William R. Billard, Seventy-first street and Central Park West.
Joseph E. Colwell, No. 107 Pearl street.
Alfred B. Donaldson, No. 154 Fifth avenue.
Thomas Dunn, No. 127 West Fifty-eighth street.
Nicholas Fannon, Eleventh avenue, Fifty-eighth to Fifty-ninth street.
Thomas Gleason, No. 138 West One Hundred and Twenty-fourth street.
August Gotthard, St. John's Park.
Lawrence Hoechemer, No. 121 Seventh avenue.
Chas. Kober, No. 417 East Thirteenth street.
William Leibmann, One Hundred and Thirteenth street and Amsterdam avenue.
Frank Mull, Pier 21, North River.
William S. C. McIntyre, No. 103 Waverley place.
Elmer Parsell, No. 369 West Eleventh street.
George R. Rolph, No. 55 Chrystie street.
Walter J. Ritchie, No. 385 Canal street.
Frederick W. Poessner, No. 1305 Broadway.
Max Stark, No. 536 East Seventy-second street.
Frank Taxter, No. 222 West Twenty-third street.
Christopher Timmins, No. 43 West Thirty-second street.
Ruliff Van Cleaf, Rosebank, S. I.
Edward Weber, No. 261 Eleventh avenue.
Ernest G. W. Wedblot, No. 1236 Madison avenue.
Patrick Walsh, No. 261 Eleventh avenue.
John Yatsko, No. 90 Broadway.
Robert F. Spears, Flushing avenue and Front street, Long Island City, Queens.
Thomas J. Fowler, Flushing avenue and Front street, Long Island City, Queens.
Jacob F. Harbers, No. 26 Franklin street, Brooklyn.
Louis T. Super, No. 518 Atlantic avenue, Brooklyn.
Gustav Gustaverson, Kingston avenue and Fenimore street, Brooklyn.
John E. Conley, Douglass street and Gowanus Canal, Brooklyn.
Chas. Davis, Thirty-third street and Second avenue, Brooklyn.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY BREEN,
Lieutenant in Command.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Sanitary Company (Boiler Squad),
February 13, 1908.

Hon. THEO. A. BINGHAM, Police Commissioner:

Sir—In compliance with orders relative to Engineers' certificates issued by me under section 312 of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, as amended, the following report will show the names of the persons to whom licenses were issued, class of license and location for the same, during the twenty-four hours ending 12 midnight, February 13, 1908:

First Class.

Bartholomew Sullivan, No. 34 Pine street.
Chas. Beck, No. 52 Varick street.
Bryan Carolan, No. 254 Columbus avenue.
Henry B. Meier, No. 205 East Fourth street.
John Panzenbeck, No. 271 West One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street.
Daniel Peters, No. 1581 Broadway.
William Semon, No. 110 West Thirty-eighth street.
David Valentine, No. 191 Worth street.

Second Class.

Henry Bruggemann, No. 255 East Eighty-sixth street.
 John Beck, foot of Dyckman street.
 John J. Fine, No. 138 West One Hundred and Twenty-fourth street.
 Chas. T. Pera, No. 2088 Seventh avenue.
 Julian J. Pettigrew, No. 57 West Fifty-eighth street.
 William Sutherland, No. 571 Park avenue.
 Ernest C. Wallian, One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street and Amsterdam avenue.
 William H. Young, No. 515 Madison avenue.
 William Tamblyn, Clinton and Union streets, Far Rockaway.
 James J. Wall, No. 397 Seventh avenue, Brooklyn.
 George E. Howard, No. 104 Harrison street, Brooklyn.
 Frederick Weber, Wyckoff avenue and Covert street, Brooklyn.
 Henry Hunt, No. 19 Eighth avenue, Brooklyn.

Third Class.

John C. Anderson, No. 5 Sylvan place.
 Peter Van Den Bogard, foot of East Fourth street.
 John C. Boyce, No. 37 Fifth avenue.
 Thomas Callaghan, No. 9 Broadway.
 John J. Corliss, No. 34 Pine street.
 Michael Comerford, Nos. 73 and 74 Front street.
 James Chown, No. 113 East Twelfth street.
 Matthew J. Caulfield, No. 71 Broadway.
 Claude L. Dodge, foot of East Seventy-fourth street.
 James Finley, No. 539 East Fifteenth street.
 William B. Flagg, No. 902 Broadway.
 John Gaffney, No. 373 Pearl street.
 Frank E. Hurlbutt, No. 463 First avenue.
 John C. Hubbard, Hunts Point road.
 Abisha E. Louchs, No. 1322 Madison avenue.
 William Millar, No. 403 East One Hundred and Sixty-third street.
 Chas. A. O'Connor, No. 44 Broadway.
 Arthur Schmidt, No. 673 Broadway.
 William J. Steinberg, Vanderbilt avenue and Forty-third street.
 Benjamin F. Taylor, No. 308 West street.
 Warrie Secor, No. 30 Thomas street.
 Frank Wills, No. 79 Ann street.
 Peter F. Van Valen, No. 577 Broadway.
 Francis Armstrong, No. 1070 Pacific street, Brooklyn.
 Adolph Hughes, Meeker avenue, Brooklyn.
 John J. Lawler, No. 512 Hamilton avenue, Brooklyn.
 Richard Welch, No. 433 Hoyt street, Brooklyn.
 August Hauf, No. 163 Grand avenue, Brooklyn.
 Geo. L. McKie, No. 1034 Dean street, Brooklyn.
 Andrew O. Jackson, No. 209 Wolcott street, Brooklyn.

Respectfully submitted,
 HENRY BREEN,
 Lieutenant in Command.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Sanitary Company, Boiler Squad, }
 February 14, 1908. }

Hon. THEO. A. BINGHAM, Police Commissioner:

Sir—In compliance with orders relative to engineers' certificates issued by me under section 312 of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882 as amended, the following report will show the names of the persons to whom licenses were issued, class of license and location for the same, during the 24 hours ending 12 midnight, February 14, 1908:

First Class.

Philip J. Gately, No. 213 East One Hundred and Nineteenth street.
 Thomas Mullin, No. 152 West Thirty-sixth street.
 Brenton C. Babcock, No. 49 West Twenty-sixth street.
 John Lennon, No. 20 Prospect street, Brooklyn.
 Gustav Drews, No. 22 Henry street, Brooklyn.

Second Class.

John J. Byers, No. 219 Fourth avenue.
 John J. Clark, No. 696 Broadway.
 Henry Duhne, No. 434 East Seventy-first street.
 Joseph Disch, No. 174 Greenwich street.
 Robert Freeman, No. 619 West Fifty-fourth street.
 John Manion, No. 57 Greene street.
 William C. Pinchin, No. 416 East One Hundred and Sixth street.
 Geo. E. Ross, No. 231 St. Nicholas avenue.
 John Schmitt, No. 268 Canal street.
 James F. Wilson, No. 38 East Eighteenth street.
 Edward R. Willis, No. 897 Broadway.
 John Boyce, No. 139 Floyd street, Brooklyn.

Third Class.

William Ackley, No. 620 West Twenty-fifth street.
 Bernhard Brumbach, No. 639 West Forty-ninth street.
 Matthew Brown, Port Richmond, S. I.
 Joseph A. Brown, No. 41 Broadway.
 Ernest Cransel, No. 265 Canal street.
 Michael Clancy, No. 214 William street.
 Emil Doerr, No. 520 West Forty-eighth street.
 John Harding, Grand Central Station.
 John Keegan, No. 310 West Sixty-fifth street.
 James J. Kenney, No. 135 Lincoln avenue.
 Chas. King, No. 39 West Twenty-third street.
 Daniel J. Lyons, No. 19 Park place.
 Gottfried Mauriton, No. 116 Elizabeth street.
 Joseph F. McVeigh, No. 56 Pine street.
 Albert E. Penney, Thirty-eighth street and First avenue.
 Thomas E. Rhea, No. 1245 Broadway.
 Hans Stockhausen, foot East One Hundred and Fifteenth street.
 Chas. Windisch, No. 200 West One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street.
 Chas. Van Etten, No. 74 Trinity place.
 Oscar Werner, foot West Twenty-third street.
 John A. Bell, No. 81 Front street, Brooklyn.
 Martin Mulligan, No. 263 Prospect avenue, Brooklyn.
 Frank Denenger, No. 222 Fortieth street, Brooklyn.
 John Gans, No. 3208 Atlantic avenue, Brooklyn.
 Thomas Burke, North Fifteenth street and Franklin street, Brooklyn.
 Patrick Ryan, No. 243 Monitor street, Brooklyn.
 Robert V. Howes, Teddys Lane and Long Island Railroad, Brooklyn.
 Thos. T. Schubert, No. 20 Ryerson place, Brooklyn.

Special.

James H. Dougherty, No. 692 Vernon avenue, Brooklyn.
 Garrett B. Decker, Mariners Harbor, Staten Island.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY BREEN, Lieutenant in Command.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Sanitary Company, Boiler Squad, }
 February 15, 1908. }

THEO. A. BINGHAM, Police Commissioner:

Sir—In compliance with orders relative to engineers' certificates issued by me under section 312 of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, as amended, the following report will show the names of the persons to whom licenses were issued, class of license and location for the same, during the twenty-four hours ending 12 midnight, February 15, 1908:

First Class.

Michael J. McGrath, One Hundred and Forty-fifth street and Willis avenue.
 Frank E. Small, No. 32 Broadway.

Second Class.

Henry Diefenbach, No. 416 East One Hundred and Sixth street.
 Frederick G. Reynolds, No. 16 West Third street.
 John J. Goff, No. 257 West Fortieth street.
 Chas. Harris, No. 180 Leonard street, Brooklyn.
 Harry Meisel, No. 252 Green street, Brooklyn.
 Theo. Nelson, No. 401 Bond street, Brooklyn.

Third Class.

Eugene P. Albie, Washington and Wendover avenues.
 John Friel, No. 10 Columbia street.
 Robert J. Morris, No. 351 West Eighteenth street.
 Chas. Marchand, No. 57 Prince street.
 Thos. Martin, No. 23 Jackson street.
 John C. Schichtl, No. 526 West Forty-eighth street.
 Emil Lagerstrom, No. 612 Rogers avenue, Brooklyn.
 Bernard J. Reilly, No. 315 Douglass street, Brooklyn.
 Wm. A. Price, Jr., No. 149 Hick street.

Special.

Anthony Jireck, No. 395 Fourth avenue, Brooklyn.
 Respectfully submitted,
 HENRY BREEN, Lieutenant in Command.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Sanitary Company (Boiler Squad, }
 February 17, 1908. }

Hon. THEODORE A. BINGHAM, Police Commissioner:

Sir—In compliance with orders relative to engineers' certificates issued by me under section 312 of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882 as amended, the following report will show the names of the persons to whom licenses were issued, class of license and location for the same, during the twenty-four hours ending 12 midnight, February 17, 1908:

First Class.

James Arthur, No. 188 Front street.
 John O'Brien, No. 30 Broad street.
 Emil Kolb, No. 527 Fifth avenue.
 Thomas A. Carey, Second street and Gowanus Canal, Brooklyn.

Second Class.

George Looser, No. 419 West Broadway.
 William J. Dougherty, No. 217 East Fifty-fourth street.
 Louis Felker, No. 206 Broadway.
 James Glendinning, No. 41 Park row.
 William A. Havens, No. 540 Park avenue.
 James McGrath, No. 143 Liberty street.
 T. W. Jackson, Smith and Huntington streets, Brooklyn.
 Henry Schneider, No. 99 Covert street, Brooklyn.

Third Class.

William Anderson, No. 607 West Forty-third street.
 Charles Anderson, Lenox avenue and One Hundred and Forty-sixth street.
 William F. Brady, No. 114 West Thirty-ninth street.
 Owen M. Carlson, No. 153 Fifth avenue.
 William J. Davis, No. 2 Beaver street.
 Robert E. Edwards, Pier 37, North River.
 Abraham C. Eckersley, No. 2031 Broadway.
 Edward Evans, No. 78 Wall street.
 John Fitzgerald, foot East One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street.
 William Hart, No. 413 Pearl street.
 Patrick Kennedy, Madison avenue and Harlem River.
 Thomas Kiernan, No. 362 West Broadway.
 Charles S. Lewis, Second avenue, Seventeenth to Eighteenth street.
 Charles Lauber, No. 147 East One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street.
 Nils Moberg, No. 141 Liberty street.
 James Masterson, Columbus avenue and Eighty-first street.
 George A. Miles, No. 81 New street.
 Timothy McCarthy, No. 91 Third avenue.
 John McGuinness, No. 59 Ann street.
 Andrew A. O'Reilly, New Brighton, Staten Island.
 John W. Sullivan, Centre and Franklin streets.
 George L. Tanner, No. 29 Broadway.
 Lawrence J. Winkler, No. 317 West Fifty-sixth street.
 Adolph Wehrle, No. 32 Broadway.
 John E. Yates (permit), No. 656 Eighth avenue.
 Ralph Watts, No. 53 Franklin avenue, Brooklyn.
 John Stines, Court square, Long Island City.
 Harry N. Shaw, No. 92 Plymouth street, Brooklyn.
 Andrew F. Carlson, foot Fifty-third street, Brooklyn.
 Thomas Webb, No. 109 Broad street, Brooklyn.
 George W. Seiler, Pier 1, Erie Basin, Brooklyn.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY BREEN, Lieutenant in Command.

BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN.

THE BOWERY AND KIPS BAY DISTRICTS.

A meeting of the Boards of Local Improvements of the Bowery and Kips Bay Districts, called for February 18, 1908, was postponed, there being no quorum present.

BERNARD DOWNING, Secretary.

BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN.

GREENWICH DISTRICT.

At a meeting of the Board of Local Improvements of the Greenwich District, held February 18, 1908, the following members were present: Aldermen Drescher, Flynn and President Ahearn.

Resolution for the following was introduced by Alderman Drescher:
 To repair sidewalk at the southeast corner of Bleecker and Commerce streets
 Which was adopted.
 On motion, the Board adjourned.

BERNARD DOWNING, Secretary.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT.

(PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT MATTERS.)

Minutes of meeting of Board of Estimate and Apportionment, City of New York, held in Room 16, City Hall, Friday, January 31, 1908.

The Board met in pursuance of an adjournment.

There were present the following:

George B. McClellan, Mayor; Herman A. Metz, Comptroller; Patrick F. McGowan, President, Board of Aldermen; John F. Ahearn, President, Borough of Manhattan; Bird S. Coler, President, Borough of Brooklyn; Louis F. Haffen, President, Borough of The Bronx; Lawrence Gresser, Acting President, Borough of Queens, and George Cromwell, President, Borough of Richmond.

The Mayor, Hon. George B. McClellan, presided.

The following communication from the Chief Engineer relative to quarterly reports of the Borough Presidents on the subject of Local Improvements was presented and, on motion, was ordered printed in the minutes and placed on file:

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
January 28, 1908.

Hon. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—I beg to submit the following statement of the total estimated cost of assessable improvements authorized by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment during each year from 1902 to 1907, inclusive:

1902	\$6,851,061 45
1903	6,878,892 00
1904	4,156,490 00
1905	5,791,630 00
1906	9,776,900 00
1907	7,016,550 00
Total.....	\$40,471,523 45

I also submit a summary of the quarterly reports received from the Borough Presidents relative to local improvements authorized prior to September 30, 1907, and for which contracts had not been made or bids received on December 31, 1907, and of improvements which have been completed but for which the assessment lists had not been forwarded on December 31, 1907.

Borough.	Local Improvements Authorized Prior to September 30, 1907, Not Contracted for on December 31, 1907.		Local Improvements Completed Before December 31, 1907, for Which Assessment Lists Have Not Been Forwarded.	
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
Manhattan	15	\$196,700 00	1	\$190,720 27
Brooklyn	20	1,386,100 00	391	2,657,566 44
The Bronx.....	44	2,439,200 00	39	544,259 87
Queens	5	97,720 00	183	2,290,702 05
Richmond	1	28,700 00	11	86,030 85
Total.....	85	\$4,148,420 00	625	\$5,769,279 48

Amounts of contracts made on authority of Local Board resolutions, without action by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, under section 435 of the Greater New York Charter.

	Number.	Amount.
Manhattan .....	..	.....
Brooklyn	19	\$25,888 07
The Bronx.....	4	594 80
Queens .....	..	.....
Richmond	1	391 38
Total.....	24	\$26,874 25

A comparison for the four quarters of the year 1907, of the contracts authorized but not made, and of improvements completed and returns not yet made to the Board of Assessors, is as follows:

Quarter Ending.	Local Improvements Authorized Three Months Previously But Not Contracted for.		Local Improvements Completed but Assessment Lists for Which Have Not Been Forwarded to the Board of Assessors.	
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
March 30.....	74	\$5,047,200 00	415	\$9,875,383 95
June 30.....	58	3,402,800 00	445	8,505,327 64
September 30.....	87	4,045,720 00	556	6,699,608 54
December 31.....	85	4,148,420 00	625	\$5,769,279 48

Respectfully,
NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

CHANGING LINES OF THIRTY-NINTH STREET, ETC., BROOKLYN.

In the matter of changing the lines of Thirty-ninth street, west of Second avenue, providing an extension of the street and fixing grades therefor, Borough of Brooklyn, affidavits of publication were presented showing that the matter had been duly advertised.

After hearing Michael O'Sullivan, Esq., in opposition to the proposed change, the hearing was closed.

The following resolutions were then adopted:

Whereas, at a meeting of this Board, held on the 10th day of January, 1908, resolutions were adopted proposing to change the map or plan of The City of New York so as to change the lines of Thirty-ninth street, west of Second avenue, and provide an extension of the street and fix grades therefor, in the Borough of Brooklyn, City of New York, and appointing a hearing at a meeting of this Board to be held on the 31st day of January, 1908, at 10:30 o'clock a.m., at which meeting such proposed action would be considered by this Board, and requesting a notice to all persons affected thereby of the aforesaid time and place at which such proposed action would be considered, to be published in the CITY RECORD and in the corporation newspapers for ten days prior to the 31st day of January, 1908; and

Whereas, It appears from the affidavits of the Supervisor of the City Record and the publishers of the corporation newspapers, that the aforesaid resolutions and notice have been published in the CITY RECORD and in the corporation newspapers for ten days prior to the 31st day of January, 1908; and

Whereas, At the aforesaid time and place, a public hearing was given to all persons interested in such proposed change who appeared, and such proposed change was duly considered by this Board; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York, in pursuance of the provisions of section 442 of the Greater New York Charter, as amended, deeming it for the public interest to change the map or plan of The City of New York by changing the lines of Thirty-ninth street, west of Second avenue, and providing an extension of the street and fixing grades therefor, in the Borough of Brooklyn, City of New York, does hereby favor the same so as to make the aforesaid changes as follows:

1. Thirty-ninth street is to be extended from Second avenue westwardly to the bulkhead, a distance of 1,435 feet.
2. The southerly side of the street is to be a prolongation of the southerly line of Thirty-ninth street as laid out east of Second avenue.
3. The northerly line of the street is to be distant 30 feet northerly from and parallel with the southerly line, the said distance being measured at right angles to the latter course.
4. That portion of Thirty-ninth street heretofore laid out west of Second avenue and not included within the lines of the street now proposed is to be discontinued.

Grades.

1. The grade at the intersection with Second avenue is to be 10 feet, as heretofore established.

2. The grade at the westerly terminal of the street is to be 5.11 feet.

All elevations refer to mean high-water datum as established in the Borough of Brooklyn.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen and the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan and Brooklyn and the Acting President of the Borough of Queens—14.

CLOSING AND DISCONTINUING WILLIAM AND NORTH WILLIAM STREETS, MANHATTAN.

The following communication from the Commissioner of Bridges and report of the Chief Engineer were presented:

DEPARTMENT OF BRIDGES—CITY OF NEW YORK,
NOS. 13 TO 21 PARK ROW,
MANHATTAN, N. Y., January 20, 1908.

To the Honorable the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York:

GENTLEMEN—On July 8, 1907, your Honorable Board passed a resolution authorizing the closing of certain portions of North William street and William street, in the Borough of Manhattan, underneath the Brooklyn Bridge, for the purpose of enabling the construction of a subway connection through the bridge station between the elevated railway tracks on the bridge and the subway station under construction at Centre street.

I transmit herewith a map and description properly locating said closing on the City map.

I respectfully request that your Honorable Board modify the resolution of July 8, 1907, by substituting the description herewith submitted for that which was included in the resolution as passed on the aforesaid date.

Respectfully,

J. W. STEVENSON, Commissioner of Bridges.

REPORT NO. 5644

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
January 24, 1908.

Hon. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—On July 8, 1907, a resolution was adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment providing for closing and discontinuing portions of William street and North William street, Borough of Manhattan, where the said streets pass under the structure of the Brooklyn Bridge, the object being to permit of carrying out the construction of the subway leading from the bridge to the Centre street line. The technical description which was used in describing this change was prepared under the assumption that the Brooklyn Bridge had been laid out upon the map of the City, but a further search has shown that this assumption was an incorrect one.

Under date of January 20, 1908, the Bridge Commissioner has forwarded a communication requesting that the resolution of July 8, 1907, be modified by the use of the new technical description which has been drawn in such a way as to locate the change with reference to the adjoining streets.

The map shows that provision is to be made for pedestrian traffic along the line of William street through a subway to be built in the street, and that North William street and William street will be connected by a sidewalk for foot traffic located on the northerly side of the structure.

I would recommend that the new map be adopted after a public hearing has been given, and that the resolution of July 8, 1907, be rescinded.

In reporting upon a change required in the street system of Long Island City where the same adjoins the Blackwells Island Bridge, attention was called to the desirability of incorporating this bridge upon the map of the City, and the Commissioner has advised the Board that a plan to accomplish this will be prepared in the near future. I would also suggest that since a similar comment appears to apply to a large number of other bridges, and their marginal streets, the Bridge Commissioner be requested to take similar steps in each of these cases, the evident intent of the Charter being to include all bridges upon the City map.

Respectfully,

NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

The following resolutions were then adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York, in pursuance of the provisions of section 442 of the Greater New York Charter as amended, deeming it for the public interest so to do, proposes to change the map or plan of The City of New York by closing and discontinuing William street and North William street through that portion of their length crossed by the structure of the Brooklyn Bridge, in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, more particularly described as follows:

Specification or Description of a Portion of North William Street to Be Closed.

Beginning at a point on the northwesterly side of North William street distant 105.18 feet northeasterly from the intersection of the northwesterly side of North William street with the northeasterly side of Frankfort street and running thence northeasterly along the northwesterly side of North William street 121.79 feet; thence southerly across North William street 47.49 feet to a point on the southeasterly side of North William street which is 213.04 feet southwesterly from the intersection of the southeasterly side of North William street with the southerly side of Park row; thence southwesterly along the southeasterly side of North William street 102.08 feet; thence northwesterly across North William street 40.43 feet to the point of beginning.

Specification or Description of a Portion of William Street to Be Closed.

Beginning at a point on the southerly side of William street distant 100 feet easterly from the intersection of the southerly side of William street with the northeasterly side of Frankfort street and running thence northwesterly across William street 34.60 feet to a point on the northerly side of William street which is 467.94 feet westerly from the intersection of the northerly side of William street with the westerly side of Duane street; thence easterly along the northerly side of William street 106.08 feet; thence southeasterly across William street 34.71 feet to a point on the southerly side of William street which is 347.02 feet westerly from the intersection of the southerly side of William street with the southwesterly side of Duane street; thence westerly along the southerly side of William street 106.44 feet to the point of beginning.

A passageway for foot traffic not less than 8 feet wide shall be provided between North William street and William street on the northerly side of the bridge structure, and another passageway for foot traffic not less than 8 feet wide shall be provided along the southerly side of William street within the lines of the discontinued part of William street, as above described.

These passageways shall be made available before either North William street or William street is physically closed, and the same, together with the necessary approaches, shall be thereafter maintained by the Department of Bridges for the use of the public.

Resolved, That this Board consider the proposed change at a meeting of the Board to be held in the City Hall, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on the 28th day of February, 1908, at 10.30 o'clock a.m.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Board cause these resolutions and a notice to all persons affected thereby that the proposed change will be considered at a meeting of the Board, to be held at the aforesaid time and place, to be published in the CITY RECORD for ten days continuously, Sundays and legal holidays excepted, prior to the 28th day of February, 1908.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen, the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan and Brooklyn and the Acting President of the Borough of Queens—14.

The Secretary was directed to call the attention of the Commissioner of Bridges to the desirability of incorporating all bridges upon the City map.

CHANGE IN GRADE OF NINETEENTH AVENUE AND BENSON AVENUE, BROOKLYN.

The following communication from the Secretary of the Borough of Brooklyn and report of the Chief Engineer were presented:

THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN,
BROOKLYN, September 18, 1907.

Mr. JOSEPH HAAG, Secretary, Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

DEAR SIR—Herewith I beg to transmit blue print and technical description for a change of grade on Nineteenth avenue, between Bath avenue and Eighty-sixth street, and on Benson avenue, between Bay Twentieth and Bay Twenty-second streets, for consideration by the Board of Estimate, without being first submitted to the Local Board, in order to save time.

Very truly yours,
CHARLES FREDERICK ADAMS, Secretary.

REPORT No. 5565.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
November 29, 1907.

Hon. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—Herewith is transmitted a communication from the Secretary of the Borough of Brooklyn, bearing date of September 18, 1907, requesting the approval of a change in the grade of Nineteenth avenue, between Bath avenue and Eighty-sixth street, and in the grade of Benson avenue, between Bay Twentieth and Bay Twenty-second streets.

This change affects a length of two short blocks of Benson avenue and of two long blocks of Nineteenth avenue. Both of these streets have been macadamized for many years, a large amount of the flagging has been laid, and the abutting property has been partially improved. It has now been found that the grade followed at the intersection of Benson avenue and Nineteenth avenue is about one foot higher than that legally adopted. It is desired to legalize the existing surface and the grades proposed are intended to accomplish this in so far as is practicable.

The change is, in my judgment, a proper one and its approval is recommended.

Respectfully,
NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

The following resolutions were then adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York, in pursuance of the provisions of section 442 of the Greater New York Charter as amended, deeming it for the public interest so to do, proposes to change the map or plan of The City of New York, by changing the grade of Nineteenth avenue, between Bath avenue and Eighty-sixth street, and of Benson avenue, between Bay Twentieth and Bay Twenty-second streets, in the Borough of Brooklyn, City of New York, more particularly described as follows:

Nineteenth Avenue.

Beginning at the intersection of Bath avenue, the elevation to be 21 feet as heretofore.

Thence northerly to the intersection of Benson avenue, the elevation to be 22.50 feet.

Thence northerly to a point distant 375 feet south of the southerly building line of Eighty-sixth street, the elevation to be 26.06 feet.

Thence northerly to the intersection of Eighty-sixth street, the elevation to be 28 feet as heretofore.

Benson avenue.

Beginning at the intersection of Bay Twentieth street, the elevation to be 23 feet as heretofore.

Thence easterly to a summit distant 75 feet east of the easterly building line of Bay Twentieth street, the elevation to be 23.40 feet.

Thence easterly to the intersection of Nineteenth avenue, the elevation to be 22.50 feet.

Thence easterly to the intersection of Bay Twenty-second street, the elevation to be 25.60 feet as heretofore.

Note—All elevations refer to the datum of the former Town of Utrecht, taken as 0.25 foot above the Western District City Surveyor's datum.

Resolved, That this Board consider the proposed change at a meeting of the Board, to be held in the City Hall, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on the 28th day of February, 1908, at 10.30 o'clock a.m.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Board cause these resolutions and a notice to all persons affected thereby that the proposed change will be considered at a meeting of the Board, to be held at the aforesaid time and place, to be published in the CITY RECORD and the corporation newspapers for ten days continuously, Sundays and legal holidays excepted, prior to the 28th day of February, 1908.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen, the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan and Brooklyn and the Acting President of the Borough of Queens—14.

CHANGE IN GRADE OF EIGHTY-FOURTH STREET, BROOKLYN.

The following communication from the President of the Borough of Brooklyn, and report of the Chief Engineer were presented:

THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN,
BROOKLYN, December 2, 1907.

To the Honorable Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—Your Board has authorized the grading, curbing, etc., of Eighty-fourth street in this borough, and the Chief Engineer of the Bureau of Highways reports a difference between the grade at Eighty-fourth street and Twenty-first avenue and the grade of Twenty-first avenue at that point. He points out that to follow out the present established grade of Eighty-fourth street would necessitate the regrading of Twenty-first avenue, which has been improved, and he therefore recommends a change of grade in Eighty-fourth street in order not to delay the improvement, and asks that the Board of Estimate act directly on this matter. I, therefore, make a request for a change of the map or plan of The City of New York by changing the grade of Eighty-fourth street, between Twentieth avenue and Bay parkway in the Borough of Brooklyn, the new grade to be as follows:

Beginning at the intersection of Eighty-fourth street and Twentieth avenue, the elevation to be 27 feet as heretofore established.

Thence southeasterly to the intersection of Twenty-first avenue the elevation to be 19.30 feet as now in use and improved.

Thence southeasterly to the intersection of Bay parkway the elevation to be 15.68 feet as heretofore established.

Note—All elevations refer to mean high-water datum as determined by the Bureau of Highways, Borough of Brooklyn.

I am sending the Secretary of the Board blueprint and technical description of the proposed change of grade.

Yours truly,
BIRD S. COLER, President, Borough of Brooklyn.

REPORT No. 5608.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
December 31, 1907.

Hon. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—Herewith is transmitted a communication from the President of the Borough of Brooklyn, dated December 2, 1907, requesting the approval of a modification in the grade of Eighty-fourth street, between Twentieth avenue and Bay parkway.

On March 22, 1907, a resolution was adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment providing for regulating and grading Eighty-fourth street, between Eighteenth avenue and Stillwell avenue. In preparing plans for carrying out this work it has been found that Twenty-first avenue has been improved at an elevation of about 14 inches above that established. It is now desired to legalize this elevation. The change will also make the legal grade of Eighty-fourth street conform more closely with the surface of the street as now in use than did the grade heretofore shown upon the City map. A change will also be required in the grade of Twenty-first avenue to meet the one proposed in Eighty-fourth street. This change is not shown upon the map now submitted, but I understand that the revision of the grade chart in this vicinity, so as to legalize the surface of streets heretofore improved, is being made a subject of study, and that a map providing for the necessary amendments to meet cases such as and including this will be submitted to the Board for approval in the near future.

The change now proposed is, in my judgment, a proper one, and its approval is recommended.

Respectfully,
NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

The following resolutions were then adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York, in pursuance of the provisions of section 442 of the Greater New York Charter as amended, deeming it for the public interest so to do, proposes to change the map or plan of The City of New York, by changing the grade of Eighty-fourth street, between Twentieth avenue and Bay parkway, in the Borough of Brooklyn, City of New York, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the intersection of Eighty-fourth street and Twentieth avenue, the elevation to be 27 feet as heretofore established.

Thence southeasterly to the intersection of Twenty-first avenue, the elevation to be 19.30 feet as now in use and improved.

Thence southeasterly to the intersection of Bay parkway, the elevation to be 15.68 feet as heretofore established.

Note—All elevations refer to mean high-water datum as determined by the Bureau of Highways, Borough of Brooklyn.

Resolved, That this Board consider the proposed change at a meeting of the Board, to be held in the City Hall, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on the 28th day of February, 1908, at 10.30 o'clock a.m.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Board cause these resolutions and a notice to all persons affected thereby that the proposed change will be considered at a meeting of the Board, to be held at the aforesaid time and place, to be published in the CITY RECORD and the corporation newspapers for ten days continuously, Sundays and legal holidays excepted, prior to the 28th day of February, 1908.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen, the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan and Brooklyn and the Acting President of the Borough of Queens—14.

CHANGING LINE AND GRADE OF BAILEY AVENUE, LAYING OUT AN UNNAMED STREET, EXTENDING CANNON PLACE, AND LAYING OUT A PUBLIC PLACE AT THE INTERSECTION OF BAILEY AVENUE AND CANNON PLACE, THE BRONX.

The following communication from the President of the Borough of The Bronx, and report of the Chief Engineer were presented, and on motion, the matter was referred back to the President of the Borough of The Bronx:

THE CITY OF NEW YORK.
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH OF THE BRONX, }
March 18, 1907.

JOSEPH HAAG, Esq., Secretary, *Board of Estimate and Apportionment*:
DEAR SIR—I transmit herewith "Map or plan showing the change of lines and grades of Bailey avenue, from West Two Hundred and Thirty-eighth street to Van Cortlandt avenue, also connecting street to Albany road, the extension of Cannon place, from West Two Hundred and Thirty-eighth street to Bailey avenue, and the laying out of a Public Place and stairway at the intersection of Bailey avenue and Cannon place, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, Borough of The Bronx, City of New York, dated March 8, 1907," which amended lines and grades were recommended by the Local Board of Morrisania, Twenty-fourth District, to the favorable consideration of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

Copy of report of the Chief Engineer of the Borough of The Bronx also enclosed herewith.

Yours truly,
LOUIS F. HAFFEN,
President of the Borough of The Bronx.

Note—Map with dimensions and technical descriptions will follow as soon as completed.

REPORT No. 5620.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT, }
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER, }
January 15, 1908.

HON. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, *Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment*:

SIR—Herewith is transmitted a communication from the President of the Borough of The Bronx, bearing date of March 18, 1907, advising that the Local Board of the Morrisania District have recommended an amendment in the City map by changing the lines and grades of Bailey avenue, between West Two Hundred and Thirty-eighth street and Van Cortlandt avenue, by laying out an extension to an unnamed street between Bailey avenue and Albany road, north of West Two Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, and to Cannon place, from West Two Hundred and Thirty-eighth street to Bailey avenue, and by the laying out of a public place and stairway at the intersection of Bailey avenue and Cannon place. The principal object of this change appears to be based on a desire to locate Bailey avenue about midway between Stevenson oval and Albany road. Under the plan heretofore adopted its position is too near to Stevenson oval to give lots fronting upon it an adequate depth, while those located between it and Albany road have a depth which is unnecessarily great.

The changes indicated in the street grade are intended to follow the topography traversed by the street system as changed in location.

No provision is made in the Charter for placing stairways upon the map of the City, but the purpose of the map, in so far as it relates to this stairway, could be accomplished if it were to be described as a portion of West Two Hundred and Thirty-eighth street.

The public place shown upon the map is to be triangular in shape and is to have a frontage of about 110 feet on the extension of West Two Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, about 280 feet on Cannon place and about 290 feet on Bailey avenue. I understand that the Board has accepted the suggestion made by me that no more public places or parks will be placed upon the map of the City until Local Board resolutions have been presented providing for the acquisition of title to them, the apportionment of the cost of the proceeding in cases where any portion of the same is to be borne by the City to be determined entirely by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment. In this case no Local Board resolution instituting opening proceedings has been received, and if the public place were to be omitted from the map it would result in the exclusion from the street system of an area located at the intersection of Bailey avenue with Cannon place, having so acute an angle that a portion of the included property would not be available for private use.

I would therefore recommend that the map be referred back to the President of the Borough with the suggestion that if the public place is desired a resolution should be presented for acquiring title to it, and that in case the owners of the adjacent property are unwilling to defray the cost of the condemnation proceedings it be omitted from the map and the sharp angle already referred to as located at the junction of Bailey avenue and Cannon place be removed.

Respectfully,
NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

PUBLIC PLACE, BOUNDED BY WEBSTER AVENUE AND PARKSIDE PLACE, THE BRONX.

The following communication from the Chief Engineer was presented, and on motion, the matter was referred to the President of the Borough of The Bronx.

REPORT No. 5638.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT, }
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER, }
January 22, 1908.

HON. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, *Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment*:

SIR—On December 6, 1907, a resolution was adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment providing for the acquisition of title to the public place bounded by Parkside place and Webster avenue, to Parkside place from East Two Hundred and Seventh street southwardly to Webster avenue, and to East Two Hundred and Seventh street from Parkside place to Webster avenue, Borough of The Bronx. When the proceeding was initiated by the Local Board a recommendation was made that the entire cost be assessed upon the City at large, but at the hearing given when the opening resolution was adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment no objection was made to the recommendation from this office that the entire assessment be placed upon the property benefited, the improvement being clearly in the interest of the locality, and this course was followed. The property owners in the vicinity subsequently presented a protest against an assessment being levied for the improvement, and at the request of the President of the Borough, and based on this objection, the opening resolution was rescinded by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on January 10 last.

When the matter was originally reported upon to the Board it was shown that the public place as laid out in 1895 was triangular in shape, having a length of about 1,350 feet and a maximum depth of about 40 feet, and that there was no question as to the propriety of either acquiring title to it or of removing it from the map. The former course having been objected to, it would seem proper to change the map by eliminating the public place, and I would recommend that the President of the Borough be requested to prepare a map showing this change, the map to also provide for the removal of the acute intersections which Parkside place makes with Webster avenue by incorporating as much of the area as may be necessary to accomplish this in the street system. Attention might also be called to the desirability of removing from the map the extension of East Two Hundred and Seventh street from Parkside place to Webster avenue, unless it is the intention of property owners in the vicinity to pay for the cost of opening and for the construction of the steps which will be required to permit of its utilization.

Respectfully,
NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

LAYING OUT STREET SYSTEM WITHIN THE TERRITORY TO BE KNOWN AS SECTION 54 OF THE FINAL MAPS OF THE BOROUGH OF THE BRONX.

The following communication from the President of the Borough of The Bronx, and report of the Chief Engineer were presented:

THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH OF THE BRONX, }
November 9, 1907.

JOSEPH HAAG, Esq., Secretary, *Board of Estimate and Apportionment*:

DEAR SIR—I transmit herewith for the consideration of and approval by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, section 54 of the final maps of the Borough of The

Bronx, dated November 7, 1907, bounded by the East River, White Plains road, Gildersleeve avenue, Pugsley avenue, O'Brien avenue, Olmstead avenue, Lacombe avenue, Castle Hill avenue, Randall avenue, Westchester Creek and Pugsley's Creek.

Yours truly,
LOUIS F. HAFFEN,
President, Borough of The Bronx.

REPORT No. 5627.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT, }
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER, }
January 21, 1908.

HON. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, *Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment*:

SIR—Herewith is transmitted a communication from the President of the Borough of The Bronx, bearing date of November 9, 1907, requesting the approval of section 54 of the Final Maps of the Borough.

The area comprised within the limits shown by this map is bounded approximately by the East River, White Plains road, Gildersleeve avenue, Pugsley avenue, O'Brien avenue, Olmstead avenue, Lacombe avenue, Castle Hill avenue, Randall avenue, Westchester Creek and Pugsley's Creek. The lines shown for the proposed street system in general conform with the tentative plan adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on May 29, 1903, since which date special maps have been adopted definitely fixing the lines and grades of Pugsley avenue, Zerega avenue, Castle Hill avenue, Clasons Point road, White Plains road, O'Brien avenue, Olmstead avenue, Lacombe avenue, Randall avenue and a portion of Gildersleeve avenue. Proceedings have already been authorized by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for the acquisition of title to Clasons Point road, Castle Hill avenue and Zerega avenue, the two former proceedings including the public place located at the East River terminal of each.

The bulkhead line boundary of the public place at the foot of Clasons Point road, as shown upon the map previously adopted, was intended to conform with the location as defined by the Dock Department. A discrepancy has been found to exist at this point which is intended to be corrected by this map, the area of the public place being slightly decreased.

It is also proposed to widen the street bounding the public place at the foot of Castle Hill avenue and to extend Castle Hill avenue across the area, no change being made, however, in the combined area required for the street and public place.

A few slight modifications are proposed in the street grades, and minor changes are made in the angles to conform with the results obtained from the recent triangulation of the Borough.

The map appears to be a proper one and its approval is recommended. I would suggest, however, that the attention of the Corporation Counsel be drawn to the modification in the boundary of the public places at the foot of Clasons Point road and Castle Hill avenue so that any necessary amendment of the opening proceedings may be made.

Respectfully,
NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

The following resolutions were then adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York, in pursuance of the provisions of section 442 of the Greater New York Charter, as amended, deeming it for the public interest so to do, proposes to change the map or plan of The City of New York, by laying out and fixing grades for the street system within the territory to be known as Section 54 of the Final Maps, in the Borough of The Bronx, City of New York, more particularly described as follows:

A street system is to be laid out within the territory to be known as Section 54 of the Final Maps of the Borough of The Bronx, the said territory being bounded by the East River, White Plains road, Gildersleeve avenue, Pugsley avenue, O'Brien avenue, Olmstead avenue, Lacombe avenue, Castle Hill avenue, Randall avenue, Westchester Creek and Pugsley's Creek, and grades are to be established therefor. The lines and grades to be fixed are shown upon a map prepared by the President of the Borough of The Bronx, bearing date of November 7, 1907.

Resolved, That this Board consider the proposed change at a meeting of the Board, to be held in the City Hall, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on the 28th day of February, 1908, at 10:30 o'clock a. m.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Board cause these resolutions and a notice to all persons affected thereby that the proposed change will be considered at a meeting of the Board, to be held at the aforesaid time and place, to be published in the CITY RECORD for ten days continuously, Sundays and legal holidays excepted, prior to the 28th day of February, 1908.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen and the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn, and the Acting President of the Borough of Queens—14.

LAYING OUT STREET SYSTEM WITHIN THE TERRITORY TO BE KNOWN AS SECTION 39 OF THE FINAL MAPS OF THE BOROUGH OF THE BRONX.

The following communication from the President of the Borough of The Bronx, and report of the Chief Engineer were presented:

THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH OF THE BRONX, }
NEW YORK, November 29, 1907.

MR. JOSEPH HAAG, Secretary, *Board of Estimate and Apportionment*:

DEAR SIR—I transmit herewith for the consideration and approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, Section 39, which is bounded by Bronx River, Lafayette avenue, Damis avenue, Story avenue, Wheeler avenue, Ludlow avenue, Ward avenue, Watson avenue, Harrod avenue, Westchester avenue, Ftley avenue, Randolph avenue, St. Lawrence avenue, Gleason avenue, Theriot avenue, Ludlow avenue, St. Lawrence avenue, Story avenue, Noble avenue, Lafayette avenue, Metcalf avenue, Seward avenue, Morrison avenue and Randall avenue.

Yours truly,
LOUIS F. HAFFEN,
President of the Borough of The Bronx.

REPORT No. 5628.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT, }
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER, }
January 21, 1908.

HON. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, *Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment*:

SIR—Herewith is transmitted a communication from the President of the Borough of The Bronx, bearing date of November 29, 1907, requesting the approval of the final map of section 39 of the Borough, comprising the area bounded by Bronx River, Lafayette avenue, Damis avenue, Story avenue, Wheeler avenue, Ludlow avenue, Ward avenue, Watson avenue, Harrod avenue, Westchester avenue, Ftley avenue, Randolph avenue, St. Lawrence avenue, Gleason avenue, Theriot avenue, Ludlow avenue, St. Lawrence avenue, Story avenue, Noble avenue, Lafayette avenue, Metcalf avenue, Seward avenue, Morrison avenue and Randall avenue.

The street system shown upon this map follows the lines indicated on the tentative map of the Chester District, which was approved by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on May 29, 1903. Lines and grades have already been definitely fixed for Thieriot avenue, Taylor avenue, Beach avenue, St. Lawrence avenue, Ludlow avenue, Clasons Point road, Randall avenue and Westchester avenue, and also for portions of Watson, Gleason, Westchester, Commonwealth, Rosedale and Noble avenues. The grades previously adopted are to remain unchanged but a few modifications are proposed in the angles to conform with the recent triangulation of the Borough.

Both this map and the one tentatively adopted show a public park at the intersection of Ludlow avenue and Clasons Point road having an area of 2.68 acres, this area excluding that of the three streets which subdivide it into five distinct parcels. No Local Board resolution has yet been received providing for its acquisition, and I would suggest that the approval of the lines shown be considered as tentative and conditioned upon the presentation of a Local Board resolution initiating proceedings for acquiring title to it within six months from the date of its adoption. I think it should also be understood that the entire cost of the opening proceedings would be borne by the property benefited, and it is also suggested that the district of assessment which might properly be laid out should include the following area:

Bounded on the north by a line midway between Gleason avenue and Watson avenue, and by the prolongation of the said line; on the east by a line midway between Beach avenue and St. Lawrence avenue; on the south by a line midway between Story avenue and Lafayette avenue; and on the west by a line midway between Morrison avenue and Creighill avenue.

I would recommend that the map submitted be approved after a public hearing.

Respectfully,

NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

The following resolutions were then adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York, in pursuance of the provisions of section 442 of the Greater New York Charter, as amended, deeming it for the public interest so to do, proposes to change the map or plan of The City of New York, by laying out and fixing grades for the street system within the territory to be known as Section 39 of the Final Maps, in the Borough of The Bronx, City of New York, more particularly described as follows:

A street system including a public park, is to be laid out within the territory to be known as Section 39 of the Final Maps of the Borough of The Bronx, the said territory being bounded by the Bronx River, Lafayette avenue, Damis avenue, Story avenue, Wheeler avenue, Ludlow avenue, Ward avenue, Watson avenue, Harrod avenue, Westchester avenue, Ftley avenue, Randolph avenue, St. Lawrence avenue, Gleason avenue, Theriot avenue, Ludlow avenue, St. Lawrence avenue, Story avenue, Noble avenue, Lafayette avenue, Metcalf avenue, Seward avenue, Morrison avenue and Randall avenue, and grades are to be established therefor.

The lines and grades to be fixed are shown upon a map prepared by the President of the Borough of The Bronx, bearing date of November 25, 1907.

Resolved, That this Board consider the proposed change at a meeting of the Board, to be held in the City Hall, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on the 28th day of February, 1908, at 10.30 o'clock a. m.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Board cause these resolutions and a notice to all persons affected thereby that the proposed change will be considered at a meeting of the Board, to be held at the aforesaid time and place, to be published in the CITY RECORD for ten days continuously, Sundays and legal holidays excepted, prior to the 28th day of February, 1908.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen and the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn, The Bronx, and the Acting President of the Borough of Queens—15.

CHANGE IN LINE OF JUNIPER AVENUE, ETC., QUEENS.

The following communication from the Chief Engineer was presented:

REPORT No. 5623.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
January 17, 1908.

Hon. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—On November 22, 1907, a resolution was adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment providing for changing the lines of Juniper avenue, between Caldwell avenue and Grand street; for closing Ada place, between Juniper avenue and Brown place, and for fixing grades to correspond with the changes made in the street plan, the streets described being located in the Second Ward of the Borough of Queens.

My attention has just been called to an error in the description of the grades proposed which appears in the public notice which was advertised in the matter of the hearing, and to a similar error in the technical description of the change which is embodied in the minutes of the Board.

I believe that it will be necessary to readvertise the change and to adopt a new resolution in order to make it effective, and would recommend that this course be followed. The map has not yet been filed, and the resolution of November 22, 1907, might properly be rescinded.

Respectfully,

NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

The following resolutions were then adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York, in pursuance of the provisions of section 442 of the Greater New York Charter as amended, deeming it for the public interest so to do, proposes to change the map or plan of The City of New York, by changing the lines of Juniper avenue, extending from Caldwell avenue to Grand street, and by closing Ada place from Juniper avenue to Brown place (formerly old Juniper avenue), and by establishing grades and changing grades in the territory bounded by Firth avenue, Caldwell avenue, Brown place and Grand street, Second Ward, in the Borough of Queens, City of New York, more particularly described as follows:

Juniper Avenue.

Beginning at a point on the southerly line of Grand street, distant 179.58 feet westerly from the westerly line of Firth avenue as the same is laid down on the map of that portion of the Second Ward, Borough of Queens, City of New York, as adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment November 13, 1903.

1. Running thence westerly for 81.2 feet along the southerly line of Grand street.
2. Thence southerly, deflecting to the left 80 degrees 7 minutes 11 seconds for 341.82 feet.
3. Thence southerly, deflecting to the right 15 degrees 27 minutes 57 seconds for 625.85 feet, to the northerly line of Caldwell avenue.
4. Thence easterly, deflecting to the left 107 degrees 30 minutes for 83.88 feet along the northerly line of Caldwell avenue.
5. Thence northerly, deflecting to the left 72 degrees 30 minutes for 611.49 feet.
6. Thence northerly, deflecting to the left 15 degrees 27 minutes 57 seconds for 366.61 feet to the southerly line of Grand street, the place of beginning.

Ada Place.

The closing of that portion of Ada place lying between the westerly line of Juniper avenue, herein described, and the easterly line of Brown place (formerly old Juniper avenue).

GRADES.

The grade at the intersection of Beatrice place and Juniper avenue, hereinbefore described, to be 99 feet.

The grade at the intersection of Locust avenue and Juniper avenue, hereinbefore described, to be 96 feet.

The grade at the intersection of Ada place and Juniper avenue, hereinbefore described, to be 93 feet.

The grade at the intersection of Beatrice place and Brown place to be 94 feet.

The grade at the intersection of Locust avenue and Brown place to be 86 feet.

Abolishing the grades at the intersection of Beatrice place, Locust avenue and Ada place with Juniper avenue, as adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, November 13, 1903, being, respectively, 94 feet, 90 feet and 87 feet.

Resolved, That this Board consider the proposed change at a meeting of the Board, to be held in the City Hall, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on the 28th day of February, 1908, at 10.30 o'clock a. m.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Board cause these resolutions and a notice to all persons affected thereby that the proposed change will be considered at a meeting of the Board, to be held at the aforesaid time and place, to be published in the CITY RECORD for ten days continuously, Sundays and legal holidays excepted, prior to the 28th day of February, 1908.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen and the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn, The Bronx and Acting President of the Borough of Queens—15.

LAYING OUT A PUBLIC PARK, BOUNDED BY VAN ALST AVENUE, TENTH STREET, EAST AVENUE AND NINTH STREET, QUEENS.

The following resolution of the Local Board of Newtown District, Borough of Queens, and report of the Chief Engineer were presented; and, on motion of the President of the Board of Aldermen the matter was laid on the table.

In the Local Board of the Newtown District.

Whereas, A petition for a local improvement described below has been received by the President of the Borough of Queens; and

Whereas, He has appointed a time for a meeting of this Local Board not more than fifteen days after the receipt by him of the said petition, at which meeting the said petition would be submitted by him to the said Local Board, and he has caused a notice to be published in the CITY RECORD that said petition has been presented to him and is on file in his office for inspection, and of the time when and the place where there would be a meeting of this Local Board at which the said petition would be submitted by him to the said Board, which time was not less than ten days after the publication of this notice; and

Whereas, The said petition was duly submitted thereafter to the said Local Board, which did duly consider the same, and give a full hearing thereon; now therefore it is

Resolved, by the Local Board of the Newtown District, pursuant to titles 2 and 3 of chapter 10 of the Greater New York Charter, That the said petition be and the same hereby is granted; and it is hereby

Resolved, That this Board does hereby initiate proceedings for the said local improvement, to wit:

To change the map or plan of The City of New York, by laying out a public park bounded by Van Alst avenue, Tenth street, East avenue and Ninth street, in the First Ward of the Borough of Queens; and it is hereby further

Resolved, That a copy of the resolution be transmitted forthwith to the Commissioner of Parks for the Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens and to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval.

Adopted by the Local Board of the Newtown District on the 11th day of July, 1907, Aldermen Clifford and Herold, and Lawrence Gresser, Commissioner of Public Works, voting in favor thereof.

Attest:

HERMAN RINGE, Secretary.

Approved this 11th day of July, 1907.

JOSEPH BERMEL,
President of the Borough of Queens.

REPORT No. 5648.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
January 24, 1908.

Hon. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—On May 29, 1903, a resolution was adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment providing for laying out a public park bounded by Ninth street, East avenue, Twelfth street and Van Alst avenue, in the First Ward, Borough of Queens, and its acquisition was authorized under a resolution adopted on March 23, 1906, the entire cost to be borne by the City. Under date of April 21, 1906, the Comptroller advised the Board of Estimate that he was of the opinion that by reason of the adjacent section being devoted to manufacturing industries, a park was not needed in the locality and acting upon his recommendation the opening resolution was rescinded on September 21, 1906, and on October 19 following, the park was removed from the map.

On July 11, 1907, a resolution was adopted by the Local Board of the Newtown District, recommending a change in the map by laying out a public park to be bounded by Ninth street, East avenue, Tenth street and Van Alst avenue, this comprising the southerly block of the three originally designated as a park site and having a length of 589.72 feet and a width of 200 feet. The assessed valuation of the property for the year 1907, as shown by the books of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, is \$75,900. The area is entirely unimproved but the adjacent sections on the east, south, and west have been largely built up, the improvements including a public school building located at the northeast corner of Van Alst avenue and Ninth street. The Local Board has also adopted a resolution, providing for the acquisition of title to the land but without recommendation as to the distribution of the expense.

If the property owners in the vicinity are willing to defray the cost of the opening proceeding, I see no reason why the map should not be changed as desired and would recommend such action. A report which has been prepared upon the opening proceeding can be considered at the same time as the proposed change in the map, so that if the latter is made the opening can be begun at once.

Respectfully,

NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

OPENING NEPTUNE AVENUE, BROOKLYN.

The following resolution of the Local Board of Bay Ridge District, Borough of Brooklyn, and report of the Chief Engineer were presented:

In the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District.

Whereas, A petition for a local improvement described below has been received by the President of the Borough of Brooklyn; and

Whereas, He has appointed a time for a meeting of this Local Board not more than fifteen days after the receipt by him of the said petition, at which meeting the said petition would be submitted by him to the said Local Board, and he has caused a notice to be published in the CITY RECORD that said petition has been presented to him and is on file in his office for inspection, and of the time when and the place where there would be a meeting of this Local Board at which the said petition would be submitted by him to the said Board, which time was not less than ten days after the publication of this notice; and

Whereas, The said petition was duly submitted thereafter to the said Local Board, which did duly consider the same, and give a full hearing thereon; now therefore it is

Resolved, by the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District, pursuant to titles 2 and 3 of chapter 10 of the Greater New York Charter, That the said petition be and the same hereby is granted; and it is hereby

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District, Borough of Brooklyn, this 2d day of February, 1906, hereby initiates proceedings to open Neptune avenue, from West Sixth street to West Fifteenth street; and it is hereby

Resolved, That a copy of the resolution be transmitted forthwith to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval.

Adopted by the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District, on the 2d day of February, 1906, Commissioner Dunne and Aldermen Linde and Potter voting in favor thereof

Attest:

CHARLES FREDERICK ADAMS, Secretary.

Approved this 10th day of May, 1906.

BIRD S. COLER,
President of the Borough of Brooklyn.

REPORT No. 5647.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
January 24, 1908.

HON. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—Herewith is transmitted a resolution of the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District, Borough of Brooklyn, adopted on February 2, 1906, initiating proceedings for acquiring title to Neptune avenue, between West Sixth street and West Fifteenth street.

This resolution affects a total length of Neptune avenue of 2,200 feet, and the street as mapped has a width of eighty feet. From the papers submitted it appears that title to the street was acquired under proceedings confirmed in 1865 and that the street line was changed by the Board of Supervisors, under resolutions adopted in 1892 and 1893, in such a way as to make the northerly line of the street coincide with what was formerly the centre line. The Corporation Counsel has advised that by reason of this action, the City has divested itself of title to the strip forty feet wide, located on the northerly side of the present street. An investigation of the matter shows that the change in street line was undoubtedly made for the purpose of including within the street a sewer which was erroneously located with reference to the map. The object of the resolution now presented is to acquire title to the southerly half of the street.

A roadway is in use at the present time through the entire length, and through the short block between West Sixth street and West Eighth street it is occupied by trolley tracks. The abutting property is partially improved, the improvements including the pipe yard of the Department of Water Supply and a stable of the Street Cleaning Department located on the northerly side, while the Luna Park property adjoins the street on the southerly side. The street crosses the tracks of the New York and Sea Beach Railroad and of the Brooklyn, Bath and West End Railroad, both of which are operated by the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company, and no steps have yet been taken in the matter of the removal of the grade crossings now in use. The grade of the tracks at the former crossing is a little less than one foot above the established grade of the street, and at the latter crossing a similar discrepancy of about four inches exists. A report will shortly be submitted to the Board recommending a change in the street grade to make it conform with that of each of the railroads at the crossing, the elevation in the former case to be 6.25 feet and in the latter case 4.30 feet above mean high-water datum as determined by the Department of Highways of the Borough. I think that there can be no question but that the railroad will ultimately have to be elevated, although the time does not yet seem to have arrived to require the undertaking of the work.

I would recommend the approval of the resolution; that title to the land be acquired in fee; that all of the cost of the proceeding including the expenses of the Bureau of Street Openings and any damages allowed for intended regulating, be assessed upon the property benefited; and that a district of assessment be laid out to comprise the following area:

Beginning at a point on the prolongation of a line midway between Canal avenue and Neptune avenue, as laid out east of West Fifteenth street, distant 100 feet westerly from the westerly line of West Fifteenth street, and running thence eastwardly along the said line midway between Canal and Neptune avenues and the prolongations thereof to the intersection with the prolongation of a line which bisects the angle formed by the intersection of the prolongations of the centre lines of West Sixth street and Courtlandt street; thence southwardly along the said bisecting line and the prolongation thereof to the intersection with the prolongation of a line midway between Neptune avenue and Mermaid avenue as laid out east of West Fifteenth street; thence westwardly along the prolongation of the said line midway between Neptune avenue and Mermaid avenue to the intersection with a line which bisects the angle formed by the intersection of the prolongations of the centre lines of West Eighth street and West Twelfth street; thence southwardly along the said bisecting line to a point distant 650 feet southerly from the southerly line of Neptune avenue, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Neptune avenue; thence westwardly and parallel with Neptune avenue to the intersection with a line which bisects the angle formed by the intersection of the prolongations of the easterly line of Stillwell avenue and the westerly line of West Twelfth street; thence northwardly along the said bisecting line to the intersection with the prolongation of the hereinbefore described line midway between Neptune avenue and Mermaid avenue; thence westwardly along the said line midway between Neptune avenue and Mermaid avenue and the prolongations thereof to a point distant 100 feet westerly from the westerly line of West Fifteenth street; thence northwardly and parallel with West Fifteenth street to the point or place of beginning.

I believe that there are no encroachments upon the land to be acquired.

Under the requirements of the Railroad Law it will be necessary to apply to the Public Service Commission to determine the character of the crossing, and I would recommend that in the communication to be forwarded to them, their attention be drawn to the desirability of tentatively approving the use of the present grade crossing, it being understood that a map will be adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment making the street grade coincide with the present grade of the railroad and that when conditions have so changed as to require the discontinuance of the grade crossing, the necessary steps for accomplishing this will be taken. The railroad company should be notified of the proposed hearing.

Respectfully,

NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

The following resolutions were then adopted:

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York is considering the advisability of instituting proceedings to acquire title to the lands and premises required for the opening and extending of Neptune avenue, from West Sixth street to West Fifteenth street, in the Borough of Brooklyn, City of New York; and

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment is authorized and required at the time of the adoption of the resolution directing the institution of proceedings to acquire title to the lands required for the foregoing improvement to fix and determine upon an area or areas of assessment for benefit for said proceeding.

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, in pursuance of the provisions of section 980 of the Greater New York Charter, hereby gives notice that the following is the proposed area of assessment for benefit in this proceeding:

Beginning at a point on the prolongation of a line midway between Canal avenue and Neptune avenue, as laid out east of West Fifteenth street, distant 100 feet westerly from the westerly line of West Fifteenth street, and running thence eastwardly along the said line midway between Canal and Neptune avenues and the prolongations thereof to the intersection with the prolongation of a line which bisects the angle formed by the intersection of the prolongations of the centre lines of West Sixth street and Courtlandt street; thence southwardly along the said bisecting line and the prolongation thereof to the intersection with the prolongation of a line midway between Neptune

avenue and Mermaid avenue as laid out east of West Fifteenth street; thence westwardly along the prolongation of the said line midway between Neptune avenue and Mermaid avenue to the intersection with a line which bisects the angle formed by the intersection of the prolongations of the centre lines of West Eighth street and West Twelfth street; thence southwardly along the said bisecting line to a point distant 650 feet southerly from the southerly line of Neptune avenue, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Neptune avenue; thence westwardly and parallel with Neptune avenue to the intersection with a line which bisects the angle formed by the intersection of the prolongations of the easterly line of Stillwell avenue and the westerly line of West Twelfth street; thence northwardly along the said bisecting line to the intersection with the prolongation of the hereinbefore described line midway between Neptune avenue and Mermaid avenue; thence westwardly along the said line midway between Neptune avenue and Mermaid avenue and the prolongations thereof to a point distant 100 feet westerly from the westerly line of West Fifteenth street; thence northwardly and parallel with West Fifteenth street to the point or place of beginning.

Resolved, That this Board consider the proposed area of assessment at a meeting of the Board to be held in The City of New York, Borough of Manhattan, in the City Hall, on the 28th day of February, 1908, at 10.30 a. m., and that at the same time and place a public hearing thereon will then and there be had.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Board cause these resolutions and a notice to all persons affected thereby to be published in the CITY RECORD and the corporation newspapers for ten days prior to the 28th day of February, 1908.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen and the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn, The Bronx and the Acting President of the Borough of Queens—15.

The Secretary was directed to notify the railroad company of the date of the hearing.

OPENING EAST TWELFTH, EAST THIRTEENTH, EAST FOURTEENTH AND EAST FIFTEENTH STREETS, BROOKLYN.

The following resolutions of the Local Boards of the Bay Ridge and Flatbush Districts, Borough of Brooklyn, and report of the Chief Engineer were presented:

In the Local Board of the Flatbush District.

Whereas, A petition for a local improvement described below has been received by the President of the Borough of Brooklyn, and

Whereas, He has appointed a time for a meeting of this Local Board not more than fifteen days after the receipt by him of the said petition, at which meeting the said petition would be submitted by him to the said Local Board, and he has caused a notice to be published in the CITY RECORD that said petition has been presented to him and is on file in his office for inspection, and of the time when and the place where there would be a meeting of this Local Board at which the said petition would be submitted by him to the said Board, which time was not less than ten days after the publication of this notice, and

Whereas, The said petition was duly submitted thereafter to the said Local Board, which did duly consider the same, and give a full hearing thereon; now therefore it is

Resolved, by the Local Board of the Flatbush District, pursuant to titles 2 and 3 of chapter 10 of the Greater New York Charter, That the said petition be and the same hereby is granted; and it is hereby

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Flatbush District, Borough of Brooklyn, this 1st day of November, 1906, hereby initiates proceedings to open East Fourteenth street, (now Rugby road), from Avenue D, or Dorchester road, to Foster avenue, and it is hereby

Resolved, That a copy of the resolution be transmitted forthwith to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval.

Adopted by the Local Board of the Flatbush District on the 1st day of November, 1906, Commissioner Dunne and Alderman Wentz voting in favor thereof.

Attest:

CHARLES FREDERICK ADAMS, Secretary.

Approved this 30th day of November, 1906.

BIRD S. COLER,
President of the Borough of Brooklyn.

In the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District.

Whereas, A petition for a local improvement described below has been received by the President of the Borough of Brooklyn, and

Whereas, He has appointed a time for a meeting of this Local Board not more than fifteen days after the receipt by him of the said petition, at which meeting the said petition would be submitted by him to the said Local Board, and he has caused a notice to be published in the CITY RECORD that said petition has been presented to him and is on file in his office for inspection, and of the time when and the place where there would be a meeting of this Local Board at which the said petition would be submitted by him to the said Board, which time was not less than ten days after the publication of this notice, and

Whereas, The said petition was duly submitted thereafter to the said Local Board, which did duly consider the same, and give a full hearing thereon; now therefore it is

Resolved, by the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District, pursuant to titles 2 and 3 of chapter 10 of the Greater New York Charter, That the said petition be and the same hereby is granted; and it is hereby

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District, Borough of Brooklyn, this 27th day of March, 1907, hereby initiates proceedings to open East Twelfth street, from Avenue H to Avenue T, excepting the land occupied by the tracks of the Long Island Railroad, and it is hereby

Resolved, That a copy of the resolution be transmitted forthwith to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval.

Adopted by the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District on the 27th day of March, 1907, Commissioner Dunne and Aldermen Linde and Potter voting in favor thereof.

Attest:

CHARLES FREDERICK ADAMS, Secretary.

Approved this 12th day of April, 1907.

DESMOND DUNNE,
Acting President of the Borough of Brooklyn.

In the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District.

Whereas, A petition for a local improvement described below has been received by the President of the Borough of Brooklyn; and

Whereas, He has appointed a time for a meeting of this Local Board not more than fifteen days after the receipt by him of the said petition, at which meeting the said petition would be submitted by him to the said Local Board, and he has caused a notice to be published in the CITY RECORD that said petition has been presented to him and is on file in his office for inspection, and of the time when and the place where there would be a meeting of this Local Board at which the said petition would be submitted by him to the said Board, which time was not less than ten days after the publication of this notice; and

Whereas, The said petition was duly submitted thereafter to the said Local Board, which did duly consider the same and give a full hearing thereon; now therefore it is

Resolved, by the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District, pursuant to titles 2 and 3 of chapter 10 of the Greater New York Charter, That the said petition be and the same hereby is granted; and it is hereby

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District, Borough of Brooklyn, this 27th day of March, 1907, hereby initiates proceedings to open East Thirteenth street, from Avenue H to Avenue T, and from Gravesend Neck road to Neptune avenue, except the property occupied by the tracks of the Long Island Railroad and the Brooklyn and Brighton Beach Railroad; and it is hereby

Resolved, That a copy of the resolution be transmitted forthwith to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval.

Adopted by the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District on the 27th day of March, 1907.

Commissioner Dunne and Aldermen Linde and Potter voting in favor thereof.

Attest:

CHARLES FREDERICK ADAMS, Secretary.

Approved this 5th day of April, 1907.

BIRD S. COLER,
President of the Borough of Brooklyn.

In the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District

Whereas, A petition for a local improvement described below has been received by the President of the Borough of Brooklyn; and

Whereas, He has appointed a time for a meeting of this Local Board not more than fifteen days after the receipt by him of the said petition, at which meeting the said petition would be submitted by him to the said Local Board, and he has caused a notice to be published in the CITY RECORD that said petition has been presented to him and is on file in his office for inspection, and of the time when and the place where there would be a meeting of this Local Board at which the said petition would be submitted by him to the said Board, which time was not less than ten days after the publication of this notice; and

Whereas, The said petition was duly submitted thereafter to the said Local Board, which did duly consider the same and give a full hearing thereon; now therefore it is

Resolved, by the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District, pursuant to titles 2 and 3 of chapter 10 of the Greater New York Charter, That the said petition be and the same hereby is granted; and it is hereby

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District, Borough of Brooklyn, this 27th day of March, 1907, hereby initiates proceedings to open East Fifteenth street, from Avenue H to Kings Highway, except the land occupied by the tracks of the Long Island Railroad; and it is hereby

Resolved, That a copy of the resolution be transmitted forthwith to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval.

Adopted by the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District on the 27th day of March, 1907.

Commissioner Dunne and Aldermen Linde and Potter voting in favor thereof.

Attest:

CHARLES FREDERICK ADAMS, Secretary.

Approved this 12th day of April, 1907.

DESMOND DUNNE,
Acting President of the Borough of Brooklyn.

In the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District.

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District, Borough of Brooklyn, pursuant to section 428 of the Greater New York Charter, after duly advertised hearing had this 3d day of April, 1907, hereby initiates proceedings to open East Fifteenth street, from Avenue V to Emmons avenue, excepting the land occupied by the tracks of the Brooklyn and Brighton Beach Railroad and the Long Island Railroad; and it is hereby

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted forthwith to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval.

Adopted by the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District on the 3d day of April, 1907.

Commissioner Dunne and Aldermen Linde and Potter voting in favor thereof.

Attest:

CHARLES FREDERICK ADAMS, Secretary.

Approved this 30th day of April, 1907.

BIRD S. COLER,
President of the Borough of Brooklyn.

In the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District.

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District, Borough of Brooklyn, pursuant to section 428 of the Greater New York Charter, after duly advertised hearing had this 10th day of April, 1907, hereby initiates proceedings to open East Fourteenth street, from Avenue H to Kings Highway, and from Avenue V to Gravesend Neck road, excepting the land occupied by the tracks of the Long Island Railroad; and it is hereby

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted forthwith to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval.

Adopted by the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District on the 10th day of April, 1907.

Commissioner Dunne and Aldermen Linde and Potter voting in favor thereof.

Attest:

CHARLES FREDERICK ADAMS, Secretary.

Approved this 31st day of May, 1907.

BIRD S. COLER,
President of the Borough of Brooklyn.

REPORT No. 5617.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
January 15, 1908.

Hon. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—Herewith are transmitted six resolutions of the Local Boards of the Bay Ridge and Flatbush Districts, Borough of Brooklyn, initiating proceedings for the acquisition of title to the following streets:

East Twelfth street, between Avenue H and Avenue T.

East Thirteenth street, between Avenue H and Avenue T, and between Gravesend Neck road and Neptune avenue.

East Fourteenth street, between Avenue D and Foster avenue.

East Fourteenth street, between Avenue H and Kings Highway, and between Avenue V and Gravesend Neck road.

East Fifteenth street, between Avenue H and Kings Highway.

East Fifteenth street, between Avenue V and Emmons avenue.

The resolutions relating to East Twelfth street, East Thirteenth street and that portion of East Fifteenth street between Avenue H and Kings Highway were adopted on March 27, 1907; the one relating to that portion of East Fifteenth street between Avenue V and Emmons avenue was adopted on April 3, 1907; the one relating to the three northerly blocks of East Fourteenth street was adopted on November 1, 1906, and the one relating to the remaining length of East Fourteenth street on April 10, 1907.

The East Thirteenth and East Fifteenth street resolutions provide for the exclusion from the proceeding of the property occupied by the tracks of the Long Island Railroad and by those of the Brooklyn and Brighton Beach Railroad. The resolutions relating to the other streets exclude the lands occupied by the Long Island Railroad.

The resolutions include lengths of the four streets named ranging from about 1½ miles to over 2 miles, and each of the streets as mapped has a width of 60 feet. That portion of East Thirteenth street between Avenue T and the Gravesend Neck road, and that portion of East Fourteenth street between Kings Highway and Avenue V, both of which are omitted, have been acquired by the City under other proceedings. It is believed that the two blocks of East Fourteenth street between Foster avenue and Avenue H have either been acquired by dedication or deed of cession, for which reason it is evident that no resolution providing for their acquisition has been presented. The roadway of each of the streets named has been approximately graded in disconnected sections, and in the case of two blocks of East Fourteenth street and through approximately the same length of East Thirteenth street it has been macadamized. The exclusion of the lands of the Long Island Railroad and of the Brighton Beach Railroad from the proceeding is probably due to a desire to avoid the delay which it was anticipated would probably result if they had been included and the matter presented to the State Railroad Commission, which had jurisdiction over the

character of crossings at the time the resolutions were adopted. Under an approved form of contract to be entered into with the Long Island Railroad the consent is given to the opening of any streets across their right-of-way. It is now proposed to amend this agreement, and I think that there can be no objection to changing the clause relating to title to streets which cross the railroad lands, so that provision can be made for the cession to the City of such lands whenever title to the adjacent sections of any such street shall have been acquired. Assuming that the contract will be amended as now suggested, the proceeding proposed may be properly carried out, and upon its completion the land within the railroad right-of-way would become the property of the City. East Thirteenth street crosses the land of the Brooklyn and Brighton Beach Railroad between Voorhies avenue and Emmons avenue, and East Fifteenth street crosses the same railroad just north of Voorhies avenue; under the plans now being carried out by the Brooklyn Grade Crossing Commission the railroad would cross the streets above grade. The exclusion of the railroad lands in this case is apparently unnecessary, but I understand that the Grade Crossing Commission has power to construct the necessary bridge at this point so that a continuous thoroughfare would be provided.

The four streets named are adjoining and parallel, and I see no reason why the resolutions should not be made the subject of a single proceeding, the approval of which is recommended. I would also recommend that title to the streets be acquired in fee; that all of the costs of the proceeding, including the expenses of the Bureau of Street Openings and any damages allowed for intended regulating, be assessed upon the property benefited, and that a district of assessment be laid out to comprise the following area:

1. Bounded on the north by a line distant 100 feet northerly from and parallel with the northerly line of Dorchester road, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Dorchester road; on the east by a line midway between East Fourteenth street and East Fifteenth street; on the south by a line distant 100 feet southerly from and parallel with the southerly line of Foster avenue, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Foster avenue, and on the west by a line midway between East Thirteenth street and East Fourteenth street.

2. Beginning at a point on the line midway between East Fifteenth street and East Sixteenth street distant 100 feet northerly from the northerly line of Avenue H, and running thence southwardly along the line midway between East Fifteenth street and East Sixteenth street to a point distant 100 feet southerly from the southerly line of Avenue Q; thence westwardly and parallel with Avenue Q to the intersection with a line midway between East Thirteenth street and East Fourteenth street; thence southwardly along the said line midway between East Thirteenth street and East Fourteenth street to a point distant 100 feet southerly from the southerly line of Avenue T; thence westwardly and parallel with Avenue T to the intersection with a line midway between East Twelfth street and Coney Island avenue; thence northwardly and always midway between East Twelfth street and Coney Island avenue to a point distant 100 feet northerly from the northerly line of Avenue H; thence eastwardly and parallel with Avenue H to the point or place of beginning.

3. Beginning again at a point on the line midway between East Fifteenth street and East Sixteenth street distant 100 feet northerly from the northerly line of Avenue V, and running thence southwardly along the line midway between East Fifteenth street and East Sixteenth street to a point distant 100 feet southerly from the southerly line of Emmons avenue, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Emmons avenue; thence westwardly and parallel with Emmons avenue to the intersection with the prolongation of a line midway between East Fourteenth street and East Fifteenth street; thence northwardly along the line midway between East Fourteenth street and East Fifteenth street to the centre line of Avenue W to the intersection with a line midway between East Thirteenth street and East Fourteenth street; thence southwardly along the said line midway between East Thirteenth street and East Fourteenth street and the prolongation thereof, to a point distant 100 feet southerly from the southerly line of Emmons avenue; thence westwardly and always distant 100 feet from and parallel with the southerly lines of Emmons avenue and Neptune avenue to the intersection with the prolongation of a line midway between East Thirteenth street and Snipe avenue; thence northwardly along the said line midway between East Thirteenth street and Snipe avenue, and the prolongation of the said line, to the intersection with a line distant 100 feet northerly from and always parallel with the northerly line of Gravesend Neck road; the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Gravesend Neck road; thence eastwardly and along the said line parallel with Gravesend Neck road to the intersection with a line midway between East Thirteenth street and East Fourteenth street; thence northwardly along the said line midway between East Thirteenth street and East Fourteenth street to a point distant 100 feet northerly from the northerly line of Avenue V; thence eastwardly and parallel with Avenue V to the point or place of beginning.

One or more buildings encroach upon the land to be acquired for each of these streets.

Respectfully,

NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

The following resolutions were then adopted:

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York is considering the advisability of instituting proceedings to acquire title to the lands and premises required for the opening and extending of East Twelfth street, from Avenue H to Avenue T, excluding the land occupied by the tracks of the Long Island Railroad; East Thirteenth street, from Avenue H to Avenue T, and from Gravesend Neck road to Neptune avenue, excluding the land occupied by the tracks of the Long Island Railroad and the Brooklyn and Brighton Beach Railroad; East Fourteenth street (now Rugby road), from Avenue D, or Dorchester road, to Foster avenue, and from Avenue H to Kings highway, and from Avenue V to Gravesend Neck road, excluding the land occupied by the tracks of the Long Island Railroad; and East Fifteenth street, from Avenue H to Kings highway, excluding the land occupied by the tracks of the Long Island Railroad, and from Avenue V to Emmons avenue, excluding the land occupied by the tracks of the Brooklyn and Brighton Beach Railroad and the Long Island Railroad, in the Borough of Brooklyn, City of New York; and

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment is authorized and required at the time of the adoption of the resolution directing the institution of proceedings to acquire title to the lands required for the foregoing improvement to fix and determine upon an area or areas of assessment for benefit for said proceeding.

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, in pursuance of the provisions of section 980 of the Greater New York Charter, hereby gives notice that the following is the proposed area of assessment for benefit in this proceeding:

1. Bounded on the north by a line distant 100 feet northerly from and parallel with the northerly line of Dorchester road, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Dorchester road; on the east by a line midway between East Fourteenth street and East Fifteenth street; on the south by a line distant 100 feet southerly from and parallel with the southerly line of Foster avenue, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Foster avenue, and on the west by a line midway between East Thirteenth street and East Fourteenth street.

2. Beginning at a point on the line midway between East Fifteenth street and East Sixteenth street distant 100 feet northerly from the northerly line of Avenue H, and running thence southwardly along the line midway between East Fifteenth street and East Sixteenth street to a point distant 100 feet southerly from the southerly line of Avenue Q; thence westwardly and parallel with Avenue Q to the intersection with a line midway between East Thirteenth street and East Fourteenth street; thence southwardly along the said line midway between East Thirteenth street and East Fourteenth street to a point distant 100 feet southerly from the southerly line of Avenue T; thence westwardly and parallel with Avenue T to the intersection with a line midway between East Twelfth street and Coney Island avenue; thence northwardly and always midway between East Twelfth street and Coney Island avenue to

a point distant 100 feet northerly from the northerly line of Avenue H; thence eastwardly and parallel with Avenue H to the point or place of beginning.

3. Beginning again at a point on the line midway between East Fifteenth street and East Sixteenth street distant 100 feet northerly from the northerly line of Avenue V, and running thence southwardly along the line midway between East Fifteenth street and East Sixteenth street to a point distant 100 feet southerly from the southerly line of Emmons avenue, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Emmons avenue; thence westwardly and parallel with Emmons avenue to the intersection with the prolongation of a line midway between East Fourteenth street and East Fifteenth street; thence northwardly along the line midway between East Fourteenth street and East Fifteenth street to the centre line of Avenue W; thence westwardly along the centre line of Avenue W to the intersection with a line midway between East Thirteenth street and East Fourteenth street; thence southwardly along the said line midway between East Thirteenth street and East Fourteenth street, and the prolongation thereof, to a point distant 100 feet southerly from the southerly line of Emmons avenue; thence westwardly and always distant 100 feet from and parallel with the southerly lines of Emmons avenue and Neptune avenue to the intersection with the prolongation of a line midway between East Thirteenth street and Snipe avenue; thence northwardly along the said line midway between East Thirteenth street and Snipe avenue, and the prolongation of the said line, to the intersection with a line distant 100 feet northerly from and always parallel with the northerly line of Gravesend Neck road, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Gravesend Neck road; thence eastwardly and along the said line parallel with Gravesend Neck road to the intersection with a line midway between East Thirteenth street and East Fourteenth street; thence northwardly along the said line midway between East Thirteenth street and East Fourteenth street to a point distant 100 feet northerly from the northerly line of Avenue V; thence eastwardly and parallel with Avenue V to the point or place of beginning.

Resolved, That this Board consider the proposed area of assessment at a meeting of the Board to be held in The City of New York, Borough of Manhattan, in the City Hall, on the 28th day of February, 1908, at 10:30 a. m., and that at the same time and place a public hearing thereon will then and there be had.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Board cause these resolutions and a notice to all persons affected thereby to be published in the CITY RECORD and the corporation newspapers for ten days prior to the 28th day of February, 1908.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen, the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn, The Bronx, and the Acting President of the Borough of Queens—15.

OPENING AN UNNAMED STREET, LOCATED 200 FEET EAST OF NOSTRAND AVENUE, EXTENDING FROM MONTGOMERY STREET TO MALBONE STREET, BROOKLYN.

The following resolution of the Local Board of Flatbush District, Borough of Brooklyn, and report of the Chief Engineer were presented:

In the Local Board of the Flatbush District.

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Flatbush District, Borough of Brooklyn, pursuant to section 428 of the Greater New York Charter, after duly advertised hearing had this 30th day of January, 1907, hereby initiates proceedings to open an unnamed street, lying 200 feet east of Nostrand avenue and extending from Montgomery street to Malbone street; and it is hereby

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted forthwith to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval.

Adopted by the Local Board of the Flatbush District on the 30th day of January, 1907.

President Coler and Aldermen Wentz, Ellery and Hann voting in favor thereof.

Attest:

CHARLES FREDERICK ADAMS, Secretary.

Approved this 28th day of February, 1907.

BIRD S. COLER, President of the Borough of Brooklyn.

REPORT No. 5610.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
December 31, 1907.

Hon. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—Herewith is transmitted a resolution of the Local Board of the Flatbush District, Borough of Brooklyn, adopted on January 30, 1907, initiating proceedings for acquiring title to an unnamed street located 200 feet east of Nostrand avenue and extending from Montgomery street to Malbone street.

This street, having a length of 400 feet and a width of 50 feet, is shown upon a map adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on May 20, 1903. It is not in use at the present time, and it is possible that one or more buildings in the vicinity encroach upon its lines.

I would recommend the approval of the resolution, that title to the land be acquired in fee, that all of the costs of the proceeding, including the expenses of the Bureau of Street Openings and any damages allowed for intended regulating, be assessed upon the property benefited, and that a district of assessment be laid out to comprise the following area:

Beginning at a point on the northerly line of Malbone street distant 100 feet westerly from the westerly line of the unnamed street, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of the said unnamed street, and running thence northwardly and parallel with the unnamed street and the prolongation thereof to a point distant 100 feet northerly from the northerly line of Montgomery street; thence eastwardly and parallel with Montgomery street to the intersection with the prolongation of a line distant 100 feet easterly from and parallel with the easterly line of the unnamed street, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of the unnamed street; thence southwardly and along the said line parallel with the unnamed street and the prolongation thereof to a point distant 100 feet southerly from the southerly line of Malbone street, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Malbone street; thence westwardly and parallel with Malbone street to the intersection with a line at right angles to Malbone street, and passing through the point of beginning; thence northwardly along the said line at right angles to Malbone street to the point or place of beginning.

Respectfully,
NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

The following resolutions were then adopted:

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York is considering the advisability of instituting proceedings to acquire title to the lands and premises required for the opening and extending of an unnamed street lying 200 feet east of Nostrand avenue, and extending from Montgomery street to Malbone street, in the Borough of Brooklyn, City of New York; and

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment is authorized and required at the time of the adoption of the resolution directing the institution of proceedings to acquire title to the lands required for the foregoing improvement to fix and determine upon an area or areas of assessment for benefit for said proceeding.

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, in pursuance of the provisions of section 980 of the Greater New York Charter, hereby gives notice that the following is the proposed area of assessment for benefit in this proceeding:

Beginning at a point on the northerly line of Malbone street distant 100 feet westerly from the westerly line of the unnamed street, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of the said unnamed street, and running thence northwardly and parallel with the unnamed street and the prolongation thereof to a point distant 100 feet northerly from the northerly line of Montgomery street; thence eastwardly and parallel with Montgomery street to the intersection with the prolongation of a line distant 100 feet easterly from and parallel with the easterly line of the unnamed street, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of the unnamed street; thence southwardly and along the said line parallel with the unnamed street and the prolongation thereof to a point distant 100 feet southerly from the southerly line of Malbone street, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Malbone street; thence westerly and parallel with Malbone street to the intersection with a line at right angles to Malbone street, and passing through the point of beginning; thence northwardly along the said line at right angles to Malbone street to the point or place of beginning.

Resolved, That this Board consider the proposed area of assessment at a meeting of the Board to be held in The City of New York, Borough of Manhattan, in the City Hall, on the 28th day of February, 1908, at 10:30 a. m., and that at the same time and place a public hearing thereon will then and there be had.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Board cause these resolutions and a notice to all persons affected thereby, to be published in the CITY RECORD and the corporation newspapers for ten days prior to the 28th day of February, 1908.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen and the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn, The Bronx, and the Acting President of the Borough of Queens—15.

OPENING THATFORD AVENUE AND OSBORN STREET, BROOKLYN.

The following communication from the Chief Engineer was presented:

REPORT No. 5643.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
January 24, 1908.

Hon. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—On December 29, 1905, a resolution was adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment providing for the acquisition of title to Thatford avenue, between Riverdale avenue and Avenue D, Borough of Brooklyn. The Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in this proceeding had not been appointed on the date when the amended Street Opening Law became effective, and the Corporation Counsel has returned the papers in order that the resolution may be again considered by the Board.

On February 4, 1907, at a joint meeting of the Local Boards of the Flatbush and Bushwick Districts, a resolution was adopted initiating proceedings for the acquisition of title to Osborn street, between Riverdale avenue and Avenue D, excepting land occupied by the tracks of the Long Island Railroad.

Osborn street and Thatford avenue are adjoining and parallel streets and I see no reason why the two resolutions should not be grouped into one proceeding. Both streets have been laid out to have a width of 60 feet, and the resolutions affect six long blocks of each or about 3,500 feet. Both of the streets are in use through a length of about one block at their extreme northerly ends and a sewer has been built through a portion of their length. Both of them cross the tracks of the Manhattan Beach Division of the Long Island Railroad, and although the land at the crossing was not excluded in the original resolution for the acquisition of title to Thatford avenue, the requirements of the railroad law do not appear to have been complied with, it evidently having been assumed when the resolution was adopted that the work now being carried out by the Brooklyn Grade Crossing Commission would remove the necessity of applying the procedure prescribed for opening streets crossing railroads.

Under the provisions of chapter 589 of the Laws of 1905, relating to the improvements now in progress along the line of this railroad and which are being made under the direction of the Grade Crossing Commission, new streets may be opened across the railroad right of way, but the act stipulates that none of them shall cross the railroad at grade and that in case any change in grade is required that "of the right of way and tracks of said railroad company as fixed and established by or pursuant to this act" shall not be altered. Bridges for carrying the railroad over the street system have already been built at Rockaway avenue, one block west of Thatford avenue, and at Stone avenue, distant two blocks east of Osborn street. The grade of Thatford avenue at the point where it crosses the railroad is 10.89 feet, while that of the railroad is 31.64 feet. It would therefore appear that the crossing could be arranged for whenever required and without necessitating any change of grade. I believe, however, that the matter should be submitted to the Public Service Commission, this body apparently having sole control over matters of this character. The application would be limited in this case to the determination of the street grade, that of the railroad being finally fixed under the provisions of the act referred to. I would also suggest that the Public Service Commission be advised that the construction of the crossing is not required at this time and that application will not be made for it until such time as the needs of the locality shall establish the necessity for its construction.

I would recommend that title to the streets be acquired in fee; that all of the costs of the proceeding, including the expenses of the Bureau of Street Openings and any damages allowed for intended regulating, be assessed upon the property benefited; and that a district of assessment be laid out to comprise the following area:

Beginning at a point on the line midway between Watkins avenue and Osborn street distant 100 feet northerly from the northerly line of Riverdale avenue, and running thence southwardly along the said line midway between Watkins avenue and Osborn street to the intersection with the northerly line of Avenue D; thence southwardly at right angles to the line of Avenue D a distance of 180 feet; thence westwardly and parallel with Avenue D to the intersection with a line at right angles to Avenue D, and passing through a point on its northerly side midway between Rockaway avenue and Thatford avenue; thence northwardly at right angles to Avenue D to the said point on its northerly side midway between Thatford avenue and Rockaway avenue; thence northwardly along the said line midway between Rockaway avenue and Thatford avenue to a point distant 100 feet northerly from the northerly line of Riverdale avenue; thence eastwardly and parallel with Riverdale avenue to the point or place of beginning.

I believe that a building slightly encroaches upon the line of Thatford avenue.

It is recommended that the railroad company be given a hearing in the matter of the proposed opening. It is also recommended that the resolution for the acquisition of title to Thatford avenue which was adopted on December 29, 1905, be rescinded.

Respectfully,

NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

The following resolutions were then adopted:

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York is considering the advisability of instituting proceedings to acquire title to the lands and premises required for the opening and extending of Thatford avenue, from Riverdale avenue to Avenue D, and Osborn street, from Riverdale avenue to Avenue D, excluding the land occupied by the tracks of the Long Island Railroad, in the Borough of Brooklyn, City of New York; and

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment is authorized and required at the time of the adoption of the resolution directing the institution of proceedings

ings to acquire title to the lands required for the foregoing improvement to fix and determine upon an area or areas of assessment for benefit for said proceeding.

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, in pursuance of the provisions of section 980 of the Greater New York Charter, hereby gives notice that the following is the proposed area of assessment for benefit in this proceeding:

Beginning at a point on the line midway between Watkins avenue and Osborn street distant 100 feet northerly from the northerly line of Riverdale avenue, and running thence southwardly along the said line midway between Watkins avenue and Osborn street to the intersection with the northerly line of Avenue D; thence southwardly at right angles to the line of Avenue D a distance of 180 feet; thence westwardly and parallel with Avenue D to the intersection with a line at right angles to Avenue D, and passing through a point on its northerly side midway between Rockaway avenue and Thatford avenue; thence northwardly at right angles to Avenue D to the said point on its northerly side midway between Thatford avenue and Rockaway avenue; thence northwardly along the said line midway between Rockaway avenue and Thatford avenue to a point distant 100 feet northerly from the northerly line of Riverdale avenue; thence eastwardly and parallel with Riverdale avenue to the point or place of beginning.

Resolved, That this Board consider the proposed area of assessment at a meeting of the Board to be held in The City of New York, Borough of Manhattan, in the City Hall, on the 28th day of February, 1908, at 10:30 a. m., and that at the same time and place a public hearing thereon will then and there be had.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Board cause these resolutions and a notice to all persons affected thereby, to be published in the CITY RECORD and the corporation newspapers for ten days prior to the 28th day of February, 1908.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen and the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn, The Bronx, and the Acting President of the Borough of Queens—15.

The Secretary was directed to notify the railroad company of the date of the hearing.

OPENING EAST SIXTEENTH STREET, EAST SEVENTEENTH STREET AND EAST EIGHTEENTH STREET, BROOKLYN.

The following resolutions of the Local Board of Bay Ridge District, Borough of Brooklyn, and report of the Chief Engineer were presented:

In the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District.

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District, Borough of Brooklyn, pursuant to section 428 of the Greater New York Charter, after duly advertised hearing had this 2d day of July, 1906, hereby initiates proceedings to open East Sixteenth street, from Avenue H to Avenue L, except the land occupied by the tracks of the Long Island Railroad; and it is hereby

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted forthwith to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval.

Adopted by the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District on the 2d day of July, 1906. Commissioner Dunne and Aldermen Linde and Potter voting in favor thereof.

Attest:

CHARLES FREDERICK ADAMS, Secretary.

Approved this 16th day of July, 1906.

BIRD S. COLER,
President of the Borough of Brooklyn.

In the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District.

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District, Borough of Brooklyn, pursuant to section 428 of the Greater New York Charter, after duly advertised hearing had this 10th day of April, 1907, hereby initiates proceedings to open East Seventeenth street, from Avenue G to Avenue S, except the land occupied by the tracks of the Long Island Railroad; and it is hereby

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted forthwith to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval.

Adopted by the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District on the 10th day of April, 1907. Commissioner Dunne and Aldermen Linde and Potter voting in favor thereof.

Attest:

CHARLES FREDERICK ADAMS, Secretary.

Approved this 31st day of May, 1907.

BIRD S. COLER,
President of the Borough of Brooklyn.

In the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District.

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District, Borough of Brooklyn, pursuant to section 428 of the Greater New York Charter, after duly advertised hearing had this 10th day of April, 1907, hereby initiates proceedings to open East Sixteenth street, from Avenue L to Avenue T, except the land occupied by the tracks of the Long Island Railroad; and it is hereby

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted forthwith to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval.

Adopted by the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District on the 10th day of April, 1907. Commissioner Dunne and Aldermen Linde and Potter voting in favor thereof.

Attest:

CHARLES FREDERICK ADAMS, Secretary.

Approved this 31st day of May, 1907.

BIRD S. COLER,
President of the Borough of Brooklyn.

In the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District.

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District, Borough of Brooklyn, pursuant to section 428 of the Greater New York Charter, after duly advertised hearing had this 10th day of April, 1907, hereby initiates proceedings to open East Eighteenth street, from Avenue M to Avenue S, except the land occupied by the tracks of the Long Island Railroad; and it is hereby

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted forthwith to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval.

Adopted by the Local Board of the Bay Ridge District on the 10th day of April, 1907. Commissioner Dunne and Aldermen Linde and Potter voting in favor thereof.

Attest:

CHARLES FREDERICK ADAMS, Secretary.

Approved this 31st day of May, 1907.

BIRD S. COLER,
President of the Borough of Brooklyn.

REPORT No. 5566

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER.
November 29, 1907.

Hon. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—On December 19, 1900, a resolution was adopted by the Board of Public Improvements, providing for the acquisition of title to East Eighteenth street, between Foster avenue and Avenue M, Borough of Brooklyn. To conform with the requirements of the Railroad Law and to exclude that portion of the street to which title had

been acquired by a deed of cession, the resolution was amended by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on March 23, 1906, the amended resolution relating to that portion of the street between the land of the New York and Manhattan Beach Railroad north of Avenue I and Avenue M. On the date when the amended Street Opening Law became effective the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment had not been appointed. For this reason the resolution has been returned by the Corporation Counsel for re-authorization.

The Local Board of the Bay Ridge District of the Borough on July 2, 1906, and April 10, 1907, have adopted four resolutions providing for the acquisition of title to the following streets:

East Sixteenth street, between Avenue H and Avenue L, excluding land of the Long Island Railroad.

East Sixteenth street, between Avenue L and Avenue T, excluding land of the Long Island Railroad.

East Seventeenth street, between Avenue G and Avenue S, excluding land of the Long Island Railroad.

East Eighteenth street, between Avenue M and Avenue S, excluding land of the Long Island Railroad.

Before any of these resolutions are acted upon I believe that the map should be changed to conform with the terms of the agreement with the New York, Brooklyn, and Manhattan Beach Railroad Company and the Long Island Railroad Company, which was approved by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on June 7, 1907. Under the provisions of the first clause of this agreement the railroad Company is required to provide a "footbridge of ample width" on the line of East Eighteenth street across the railroad property north of Avenue I. It would therefore be proper to amend the map by substituting for the street lines as now shown the footbridge, the width of which should be agreed upon with the railroad company.

Under the contract of reference East Seventeenth street is to be closed and discontinued across the railroad lands and, under the provisions of the fourth clause, the railroad company is required to cede to the City a strip of land sufficiently wide to provide a connection between the roadways of East Seventeenth street and Avenue I, having a width of at least 30 feet. This change should appear upon the map.

The railroad contract includes no provision for carrying East Sixteenth street over the railroad property located between Avenue H and Avenue J, and this portion of the street can therefore properly be removed from the map. I see no reason why the sidewalk and courtyard spaces should not be omitted on the westerly side of the street where it adjoins the property of the railroad company, in which case the width could be reduced to 45 feet. Such treatment would be particularly desirable in this case as the entire cost of the opening proceeding would have to be borne by the property on the easterly side of the street, that on the westerly side occupied by the railroad being exempt from assessment.

After the map showing these three streets has been changed as suggested there will be no occasion to make reference in any of the opening resolutions to the lands along the line of the railroad, for the reason that under the provisions of the fifth clause of the contract already referred to the railroad company is required to convey to the City, without cost, any land owned by it located within the street lines. I would therefore recommend that the four resolutions be referred back to the President of the Borough to be withheld until after the map has been changed as suggested, and to be amended by excluding reference to the railroad lands. The Board of Estimate resolution of March 23, 1906, relating to East Eighteenth street, might properly be rescinded and the proceeding merged into the one proposed for the adjacent section.

Respectfully,

NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

The following resolutions were then adopted:

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by the Board of Public Improvements on December 19, 1900, authorizing the acquisition of the lands and premises required for the opening and extending of East Eighteenth street, from Foster avenue to Avenue M, Borough of Brooklyn, be and the same hereby is rescinded.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen and the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn, The Bronx and Queens—15.

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment March 23, 1906, discontinuing proceedings for opening East Eighteenth street, from Foster avenue to Avenue M, Borough of Brooklyn, so far as they relate to that portion of the street lying between Foster avenue and the northerly line of the property of the New York and Manhattan Beach Railroad, and that portion of the street occupied by the intersecting railroads between Avenues H and I, be and the same hereby is rescinded.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen and the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn, The Bronx and Queens—15.

On motion, the four Local Board resolutions were referred back to the President of the Borough of Brooklyn.

OPENING TWENTY-THIRD AVENUE, BROOKLYN.

The following communication from the Chief Engineer was presented:

REPORT No. 5640.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
January 23, 1908.

Hon. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—A resolution was adopted by the Board of Public Improvements on July 12, 1899, providing for the acquisition of title to Twenty-third avenue, between West street and Sixty-fifth street, and between Stillwell avenue and Gravesend Bay. By reason of the failure to comply with the requirements of the Railroad Law no progress was made in carrying out the proceeding, and to correct the defect the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, on December 29, 1905, provided for amending the proceeding to exclude the railroad lands. The Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment had not been appointed on the date when the new Street Opening Law became effective, and all of the papers in the matter have now been returned to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment by the Corporation Counsel for reauthorization.

My attention has been drawn to the possibility of a serious misunderstanding as to the southerly limit proposed for the proceeding. I understand that this street as mapped has its southerly terminal at Warehouse avenue, the line of which does not coincide with either the high-water mark of the bay or the bulkhead line.

Under these conditions it would seem to be desirable to have the resolution amended or a new one adopted accurately defining the limits to which it is intended to relate, and I would therefore recommend that the resolution be referred back to the President of the Borough for this purpose. It is also recommended that the resolution of July 12, 1899, and the amendment adopted on December 29, 1905, be rescinded.

Respectfully,

NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

The following resolutions were then adopted:

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by the Board of Public Improvements on July 12, 1899, authorizing the acquisition of title to the lands and premises required for the opening and extending of Twenty-third avenue, from West street to Sixty-fifth street, and from Stillwell avenue to Gravesend Bay, Borough of Brooklyn, be and the same hereby is rescinded.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen and the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn, The Bronx and the Acting President of the Borough of Queens—15.

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment December 29, 1905, discontinuing proceedings initiated by the Board of Public Improvements July 12, 1899, for opening and extending Twenty-third avenue, from West street to Sixty-fifth street and from Stillwell avenue to Gravesend Bay, Borough of Brooklyn, so far as they relate to that portion of said street occupied by the Brooklyn, Bath and West End Railroad, be and the same hereby is rescinded.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen and the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn, The Bronx and the Acting President of the Borough of Queens—15.

On motion, the matter was referred back to the President of the Borough of Brooklyn.

OPENING WEST TWO HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FOURTH STREET, THE BRONX.

The following communications from the Corporation Counsel and the Chief Engineer were presented:

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL,
NEW YORK, January 14, 1908.

JOSEPH HAAG, Esq., Secretary, Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—I am in receipt of your letter of December 16, 1907, inclosing a communication addressed to you by Nelson P. Lewis, Chief Engineer of the Board, relative to proceeding for acquiring title to streets crossing steam railroads.

You ask me to advise the Board as to the proper procedure in the case cited by the Chief Engineer in his communication to you.

It appears from the statement of the Chief Engineer that several proceedings have recently been initiated by the Local Boards of the Borough of The Bronx for acquiring title to streets crossing steam railroads in cases where the final maps of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, prepared and filed in 1895, indicated that the streets were to cross the railroads at certain elevations and by means of bridges, but that in certain cases the elevation of the railroad tracks is not given; and he calls attention to the fact that the present Grade Crossing Law, comprising Sections 60 to 69, inclusive, was adopted in 1897, or two years after the adoption of these maps; he had assumed that, where the final maps established the nature of a crossing, it would be unnecessary to take the action described in the Grade Crossing Law before the Railroad Commission—or its successor, the Public Service Commission—and he gives as an instance in point the resolution to acquire title to West Two Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, between Albany road and Broadway, involving a crossing of the tracks of the New York and Putnam Railroad, where the final maps indicated a bridge carrying the street across the tracks and fixed the elevation of this bridge.

The Chief Engineer, however, expresses some doubt as to the correctness of the foregoing view of the law, and asked that the matter be referred to me.

I am of the opinion that, in the construction of new streets across railroad tracks, even though such streets were laid out, and their manner of crossing the railroad tracks shown on the final maps of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, filed in 1895, a hearing should be given to the railroad company on the question of the necessity of such streets, and the manner of crossing should be determined by the Public Service Commission, the successors to the Railroad Commissioners. Exception should, however, be made, of course, in the cases of the construction of those streets for which the City authorities and railroad companies had made a contract under authority of chapter 721 of the Laws of 1887, if any such streets are not yet constructed, or where provision is made by other special acts of the Legislature.

The provisions of the Railroad Law in question apply, it would appear to me, to all those streets on the necessity of which the City authorities had not passed prior to the taking effect of the Railroad Law on July 1, 1897.

I would hesitate to say that the adoption and filing of the final maps of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards in 1895, with an adjudication by the proper authorities that all the streets shown on the said maps were necessary, or that the question of the necessity of such streets was then adjudicated.

While these maps in many cases laid out streets of which there was at that time a pressing necessity, in other cases, it must be apparent that the plan called for and contemplated only future developments and indicated that such streets would be constructed only as their necessity arose.

The case cited by the Chief Engineer sustains this view, and it would appear to be scarcely credible that the mapping of West Two Hundred and Thirty-fourth street across the railroad tracks in 1895 was an adjudication at that time that such street was necessary when there is before us the fact that proceedings are now, in 1908, for the first time being taken to construct this street.

In arriving at the foregoing conclusion I have not overlooked the provisions of the act of 1890, which make the final maps of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, when adopted and filed, final and conclusive, both upon the City and all parties interested with reference to the location, width and grades of the streets shown thereon. But the Court of Appeals has said, with reference to section 61 of the Railroad Law (in re Ludlow street, 172 N. Y., 542):

* * * "After a careful examination of the section, in the light of the object sought to be accomplished by the law-making power, our conclusion is that the Legislature intended to require the steps named therein to be taken by municipalities in the laying out of streets across railroads, in addition to the requirements of their several charters and existing general law. The procedure provided for by the various charters throughout the State, differing as they do in detail, was to be left in force, as furnishing the general basis for laying out and opening new streets throughout the several municipalities, but in view of the public importance of the attempt to gradually do away with grade crossings, especially in dangerous locations, and of the fact that one-half the expense was to be borne by the railroad corporation to be crossed by the new highway, it was deemed but just that the railroad corporation interested should have an opportunity to be heard before the municipal authorities on any such proposed new rule; so this act was passed providing that notice should be given of an intention to lay out such a street, avenue or highway, and that it should be given by service personally upon the president or vice-president of the railroad corporation, or any general officer thereof, and that such railroad corporation should have the right to be heard before the municipal authorities upon the question of the necessity of such street, avenue or highway." * * *

It would appear, therefore, that the safest course to pursue in the premises, and in order that the railroad company may be compelled to pay its share of the construction of this street, is that a hearing be given to the railroad company, as provided by section 61 of the Railroad Law, and that, if it be determined that such street is necessary, an application be made to the Public Service Commission to determine the manner of crossing.

Very respectfully,
G. L. STERLING, Acting Corporation Counsel.

January 30, 1908.

JOSEPH HAAG, Esq., Secretary, Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—I am in receipt of your communication of January 29, 1908, inclosing a communication addressed to you by Nelson P. Lewis, Chief Engineer of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, in reference to proceedings pending before the Board, which involve a determination by the Public Service Commission of the manner in which streets should be carried across steam railroad tracks.

In his communication Mr. Lewis states that most of the proceedings referred to are map changes and not proceedings for the opening of streets, and suggests that it would be a saving of time if the Board of Estimate and Apportionment made its request directly to the Public Service Commission, accompanied by its recommendations in the premises.

He refers to a case where West Two Hundred and Thirty-fourth street crosses the Putnam Branch of the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad, which is on the calendar for Friday, the 31st inst., and submits a form of resolution asking the Public Service Commission to determine the character of the crossing in this matter.

He suggests that at the hearings before the Public Service Commission, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment should be represented by the Engineering

Staff of your Board, and that an Assistant Corporation Counsel should be designated to be present at the hearing.

In answer, I desire to say that I see no present necessity that this office should be represented at the hearings before the Public Service Commission unless an issue is raised between The City of New York and the railroad company whose tracks are to be crossed, and, in that case, I shall designate an Assistant Corporation Counsel to appear in order to protect the City's interests.

I return herewith the proposed form of resolution in reference to the opening of West Two Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, from Albany road to Kingsbridge road, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
GEORGE L. STERLING, Acting Corporation Counsel.

January 29, 1908.

Mr. JOSEPH HAAG, Secretary:

DEAR SIR—There are a large number of proceedings now pending before the Board and which must soon be taken up for consideration, which will involve a determination by the Public Service Commission of the manner in which streets shall be carried across steam railroad tracks. A large number of these proceedings are in the Borough of Queens, but there are others in Brooklyn and The Bronx. Inasmuch as most of them are map changes, and not street opening proceedings, it would seem that time would be saved and the procedure simplified by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment sending its recommendations and its requests directly to the Public Service Commission. The advisability of doing so has been informally discussed with representatives of the Street Opening Bureau of the Corporation Counsel's office and the counsel to the Public Service Commission, both of whom concur in this opinion. A case in point is that of West Two Hundred and Thirty-fourth street where it crosses the Putnam Branch of the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad, in the Borough of The Bronx. Proceedings to open this street have been authorized, but the character of the crossing has not been positively determined. A report recommending such determination has been prepared for the calendar of Friday next, the 31st inst., and a form of resolution asking the Public Service Commission to determine the details of this crossing has been drafted and is herewith handed you, with the suggestion that you consult the Corporation Counsel as to its adequacy and form.

I think it also important that when such matters are taken up for consideration by the Public Service Commission, a representative of the Engineering Staff of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment should be present, and that there should also be present a representative of the Corporation Counsel, and I would suggest that you request the Corporation Counsel to designate some member of his staff for this purpose, it being especially desirable that the same representative should act in all similar cases.

In street opening resolutions which may hereafter be adopted where railroad crossings are involved, I would also suggest that there be added to the resolution a request that the Corporation Counsel take no steps for the appointment of a Commission until the plan for the physical crossing shall have been definitely determined by the Public Service Commission.

Respectfully,
NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

REPORT NO. 5626.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
January 20, 1908.

Hon. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—On December 6, 1907, a resolution was adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment providing for the acquisition of title to West Two Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, between Albany road and Kingsbridge avenue. Before the resolution was adopted a hearing was granted to the representatives of the New York and Putnam Railroad Company, its line being crossed by the street. West Two Hundred and Thirty-fourth street between the limits named in the opening resolution is shown upon section 21 of the Final Maps of the Borough of The Bronx, which was adopted on June 17, 1895.

After the opening resolution had been acted upon, a question was raised as to the necessity of applying to the Public Service Commission for a determination of the character of the railroad crossing in conformity with the provisions of sections 60 to 69 of the Railroad Law, which was adopted in 1897, or two years subsequent to the action under which the grade of the street at the crossing was determined upon, and the Corporation Counsel was requested to give an opinion as to whether the Railroad Law should be applied to cases where the grades had been fixed at a date prior to that of its adoption. Herewith is transmitted a communication from him, under date of January 14, 1908, in which he advises that where provision for a railroad crossing has not been made the subject of a special act of the Legislature, the requirements of the Railroad Law should be followed even in cases where the street plan had been adopted prior to July 1, 1897.

It would therefore appear necessary to apply to the Public Service Commission for a determination of the character of the crossing to be used on West Two Hundred and Thirty-fourth street at its intersection with the New York and Putnam Railroad, and I would recommend that such application be made by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

The grade of this street at the railroad, as shown upon the Final Maps, is 25.0 feet, and I believe that it allows ample margin for carrying the street over the tracks.

Respectfully,
NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

The following resolutions were then adopted:

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York, by a resolution adopted on the 6th day of December, 1907, initiated proceedings in the name of The City of New York to acquire title for the use of the public to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening West Two Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, from Albany road to Kingsbridge avenue, in the Borough of The Bronx, City of New York; and

Whereas, The said West Two Hundred and Thirty-fourth street was proposed to be opened across the tracks of the New York and Putnam Branch of the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company; and

Whereas, In pursuance of section 61 of the Railroad Law a notice was served on the railroad company and a hearing was had thereon before the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on the aforesaid date; and

Whereas, The resolution adopted by the said Board established a necessity that the said West Two Hundred and Thirty-fourth street shall cross the tracks of the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad, as aforesaid; and

Whereas, Section 61 of the Railroad Law provides that application shall be made to the Board of Railroad Commissioners to determine whether West Two Hundred and Thirty-fourth street shall pass over or under said railroad or at grade; and

Whereas, By chapter 429 of the Laws of 1907, the Board of Railroad Commissioners has been abolished and all the powers and duties of said Board are devolved upon and are to be exercised and performed by the Public Service Commission;

Resolved, That The City of New York, acting by and through its Board of Estimate and Apportionment, and in pursuance of the said chapter 429 of the Laws of 1907, and section 61 of the Railroad Law, hereby makes application to the Public Service Commission of the First District to determine whether West Two Hundred and Thirty-fourth street shall pass over or under or at grade of the tracks of the said New York and Putnam Branch of the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company, and also the grade of the street at the railroad, and requests that the said Public Service Commission of the First District appoint a time and place for a hearing in relation thereto, and that a notice of the time and place of

such hearing be served upon the Secretary of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment recommends to the Public Service Commission that the present grade for the said street remain unchanged, and that it shall pass over the tracks of the said New York Central and Hudson River Railroad, and also that the construction of the crossing be not ordered until such time as the Board of Estimate and Apportionment shall advise that it is necessary.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen, the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn, The Bronx, and the Acting President of the Borough of Queens—15.

OPENING EAST ONE HUNDRED AND NINETIETH STREET, THE BRONX.

The following resolution of the Local Board of Morrisania District, Borough of The Bronx, and report of the Chief Engineer were presented:

In Local Board of Morrisania, Twenty-fourth District, Borough of The Bronx.

Whereas, A petition for a local improvement described below has been received by the President of the Borough of The Bronx; and

Whereas, He has appointed a time for a meeting of this Local Board not more than fifteen days after the receipt by him of the said petition, at which meeting the said petition would be submitted by him to the said Local Board, and he has caused a notice to be published in the CITY RECORD that said petition has been presented to him and is on file in his office for inspection, and of the time when and the place where there would be a meeting of this Local Board at which the said petition would be submitted by him to the said Board, which time was not less than ten days after the publication of this notice; and

Whereas, The said petition was duly submitted thereafter to the said Local Board, which did duly consider the same and give a full hearing thereon; now therefore it is

Resolved, by the Local Board of Morrisania, Twenty-fourth District, Borough of The Bronx, pursuant to titles 2 and 3 of chapter 10 of the Greater New York Charter, That the said petition be and the same hereby is granted; and it is hereby

Resolved, That this Board does hereby initiate proceedings for the said local improvement, to wit:

For acquiring title to the lands necessary for East One Hundred and Ninetieth street (St. James street), between Jerome avenue and Creston avenue, in the Borough of The Bronx, City of New York; and it is hereby

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted forthwith to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval.

Adopted by the Local Board of Morrisania, Twenty-fourth District, on the 23d day of May, 1907.

Alderman O'Neill, Alderman Kuntze, Alderman Murphy and the President of the Borough of The Bronx voting in favor thereof.

Negative—None.

Attest:

HENRY A. GUMBLETON,

Secretary to Local Board of Morrisania, Twenty-fourth District.

Approved and certified this 28th day of May, 1907.

LOUIS F. HAFFEN,
President of the Borough of The Bronx.

REPORT No. 5635.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
January 22, 1908.

Hon. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—Herewith is transmitted a resolution of the Local Board of the Morrisania District, Borough of The Bronx, adopted on May 23, 1907, initiating proceedings for the acquisition of title to East One Hundred and Ninetieth street, between Jerome avenue and Creston avenue.

This resolution affects two short blocks of East One Hundred and Ninetieth street, which has been laid out to have a width of 60 feet. Title to the adjacent sections east of Creston avenue and west of Jerome avenue has already been legally acquired. Between Jerome avenue and Creston avenue a street of lesser width than that shown upon the map is in use at the present time, and the roadway has been macadamized. Several houses and a church have been erected upon the abutting property.

I see no reason why the resolution should not be approved, such action being recommended. It is also recommended that title to the land be acquired in fee; that all of the costs of the proceeding including the expenses of the Bureau of Street Openings and any damages allowed for intended regulating, be assessed upon the abutting property, and that a district of assessment be laid out to comprise the following area:

Bounded on the northwest by a line distant 100 feet northwesterly from and parallel with the northwesterly line of Jerome avenue, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Jerome avenue; on the southwest by a line which bisects the angle formed by the prolongations of the northeasterly line of Fordham road and the southwesterly line of East One Hundred and Ninetieth street as laid out between Jerome avenue and Morris avenue; on the southeast by a line which is always 100 feet southeasterly from and parallel with the southeasterly line of Creston avenue, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Creston avenue; on the northeast by a line which bisects the angle formed by the prolongations of the northeasterly line of East One Hundred and Ninetieth street and the southwesterly line of East One Hundred and Ninety-first street, as laid out between Creston avenue and Morris avenue.

There are no buildings upon the land to be acquired.

Respectfully,

NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

The following resolutions were then adopted:

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York is considering the advisability of instituting proceedings to acquire title to the lands and premises required for the opening and extending of East One Hundred and Ninetieth street (St. James street), from Jerome avenue to Creston avenue, in the Borough of The Bronx, City of New York; and

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment is authorized and required at the time of the adoption of the resolution directing the institution of proceedings to acquire title to the lands required for the foregoing improvement to fix and determine upon an area or areas of assessment for benefit for said proceeding.

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, in pursuance of the provisions of section 980 of the Greater New York Charter, hereby gives notice that the following is the proposed area of assessment for benefit in this proceeding:

Bounded on the northwest by a line distant 100 feet northwesterly from and parallel with the northwesterly line of Jerome avenue, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Jerome avenue; on the southwest by a line which bisects the angle formed by the prolongations of the northeasterly line of Fordham road and the southwesterly line of East One Hundred and Ninetieth street, as laid out between Jerome avenue and Morris avenue; on the southeast by a line which is always 100 feet southeasterly from and parallel with the southeasterly line of Creston avenue, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Creston avenue; on the northeast by a line which bisects the angle formed by the prolongations of the northeasterly line of East One Hundred and Ninetieth street and the southwesterly line of East One Hundred and Ninety-first street, as laid out between Creston avenue and Morris avenue.

East One Hundred and Ninety-first street, as laid out between Creston avenue and Morris avenue.

Resolved, That this Board consider the proposed area of assessment at a meeting of the Board to be held in The City of New York, Borough of Manhattan, in the City Hall, on the 28th day of February, 1908, at 10:30 a. m., and that at the same time and place a public hearing thereon will then and there be had.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Board cause these resolution and a notice to all persons affected thereby to be published in the CITY RECORD for ten days prior to the 28th day of February, 1908.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen and the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn, The Bronx and Richmond and the Acting President of the Borough of Queens—15.

OPENING EAST ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIRST STREET, THE BRONX.

The following resolution of the Local Board of Morrisania District, Borough of The Bronx, and report of the Chief Engineer were presented:

In Local Board of Morrisania, Twenty-fourth District, Borough of The Bronx.

Whereas, A petition for a local improvement described below has been received by the President of the Borough of The Bronx; and

Whereas, He has appointed a time for a meeting of this Local Board not more than fifteen days after the receipt by him of the said petition, at which meeting the said petition would be submitted by him to the said Local Board, and he has caused a notice to be published in the CITY RECORD that said petition has been presented to him and is on file in his office for inspection, and of the time when and the place where there would be a meeting of this Local Board at which the said petition would be submitted by him to the said Board, which time was not less than ten days after the publication of this notice; and

Whereas, The said petition was duly submitted thereafter to the said Local Board, which did duly consider the same and give a full hearing thereon; now therefore it is

Resolved, by the Local Board of Morrisania, Twenty-fourth District, Borough of The Bronx, pursuant to titles 2 and 3 of chapter 10 of the Greater New York Charter, That the said petition be and the same hereby is granted; and it is hereby

Resolved, That this Board does hereby initiate proceedings for the said local improvement, to wit:

For acquiring title to the lands necessary for the widening of East One Hundred and Sixty-first street, between Brook avenue and Third avenue, and that it is hereby recommended that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment determine by resolution that 50 per cent. of the cost and expense of such proceeding be borne and paid for by The City of New York, and the other 50 per cent. thereof be assessed upon the property, deemed to be benefited, in the Borough of The Bronx, City of New York; and it is hereby

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted forthwith to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval.

Adopted by the Local Board of Morrisania, Twenty-fourth District, on the 20th day of June, 1907.

Alderman Harnischfeger, Alderman Morris, Alderman Kuntze and the President of the Borough of The Bronx voting in favor thereof.

Negative—None.

Attest:

HENRY A. GUMBLETON,

Secretary to Local Board of Morrisania, Twenty-fourth District.

Approved and certified this 21st day of June, 1907.

LOUIS F. HAFFEN,

President of the Borough of The Bronx.

REPORT No. 5636.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
January 22, 1908.

Hon. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—Herewith is transmitted a resolution of the Local Board of the Morrisania District, Borough of The Bronx, adopted on June 20, 1907, initiating proceedings for the acquisition of title to East One Hundred and Sixty-first street, as widened between Brook avenue and Third avenue.

This resolution affects one short block of East One Hundred and Sixty-first street, which, as originally mapped, had a width of 50 feet. The location of the street is such as to make it a very important one as a means of communication between Third avenue and Jerome avenue, and subsequent to the date when it was originally opened through its entire length, it became evident that an increased width was necessary, and the street was widened to 100 feet between Elton avenue and Jerome avenue. Title to the widening between these limits has already been acquired under three proceedings, one including the portion between Jerome avenue and Walton avenue, another that between Mott avenue and Elton avenue, while the remaining block was acquired as a part of the concourse improvement. The former proceeding was confirmed in 1907, and one-half the cost was borne by the City. The proceeding relative to that portion of the street between Elton avenue and Mott avenue was partially confirmed in 1902, and under the provisions of chapter 627 of the Laws of 1897, the district of assessment included the entire Twenty-third Ward.

On February 8, 1907, a map was adopted by the Board of Estimate providing for increasing the width of East One Hundred and Sixty-first street through the block between Brook avenue and Third avenue to a little over 80 feet. A slight error, however, was made in the map and this was corrected by a resolution adopted on January 17 last, the new map providing also for increasing the width to 80 feet through the two blocks between Brook avenue and Elton avenue, the widening of this portion of the street to be accomplished by taking the land from areas heretofore laid out and acquired by the City as public places.

The resolution now submitted provides for the acquisition of title to the only block of the street which remains to be opened. The street is in use to the width shown upon the map heretofore adopted and the roadway is occupied by a single track trolley railroad.

The land on the southerly side has been purchased by the City as a site for a court house building, and the structure is now being erected. The land on the northerly side, which is to be acquired under the proposed proceeding, is now occupied by a one-story frame building and by a barn.

I see no reason why title to the street should not be acquired at this time, and would recommend the approval of the resolution. The Local Board has recommended that 50 per cent. of the cost of the proceeding be assumed by The City of New York. Owing to its ownership of frontage upon the street, a substantial part of the cost will unquestionably be placed upon the City by the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment. There appears to be no reason for relieving other property owners in the vicinity from their share of the burden, and I would recommend that the entire cost be placed upon the property benefited. A district of assessment is suggested, the westerly boundary of which coincides approximately with that used in the proceeding relating to that portion of the street between Walton avenue and Jerome avenue, this district being bounded as follows:

Beginning at a point on the centre line of Brook avenue, where it is intersected by the prolongation of a line midway between East One Hundred and Fifty-seventh street and East One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, as laid out between Brook avenue and Park avenue, and running thence westwardly along the said line midway between East One Hundred and Fifty-seventh street and East One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, and the prolongation thereof to a point midway between Sheridan avenue and Mott avenue; thence northwardly and parallel with Sheridan avenue to the intersection with a line which bisects the angle formed by the intersection of the prolongations of the westerly line of Sheridan avenue and the easterly line of Mott avenue as laid out between East One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street and East One Hundred and Sixty-first street; thence northwardly along the said bisecting line to the intersection with the prolongation of a line midway between Sheridan avenue and Mott

avenue, as laid out between East One Hundred and Sixty-first and East One Hundred and Sixty-fourth streets; thence northwardly along the said line midway between Sheridan and Mott avenues to the intersection with a line distant 150 feet northerly from and parallel with the northerly line of East One Hundred and Sixty-third street as laid out between Mott avenue and Park avenue, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of East One Hundred and Sixty-third street; thence eastwardly along the said line parallel with East One Hundred and Sixty-third street, and the prolongation thereof, to the intersection with a line always distant 100 feet easterly from and parallel with the easterly line of Boston road, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Boston road; thence southwardly, parallel with and always distant 100 feet easterly from the easterly lines of Boston road, Third avenue and St. Ann's avenue, respectively, to the intersection with the prolongation of a line midway between East One Hundred and Fifty-seventh street and East One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, as laid out between German place and St. Ann's avenue; thence westwardly along the said line midway between East One Hundred and Fifty-seventh street and East One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street and the prolongation thereof, to the centre line of Brook avenue; thence northwardly along the centre line of Brook avenue to the point or place of beginning.

Respectfully,

NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

The following resolutions were then adopted:

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York is considering the advisability of instituting proceedings to acquire title to the lands and premises required for the opening and extending of East One Hundred and Sixty-first street, as widened from Brook avenue to Third avenue, in accordance with resolution adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on January 17, 1908, in the Borough of The Bronx, City of New York; and

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment is authorized and required at the time of the adoption of the resolution directing the institution of proceedings to acquire title to the lands required for the foregoing improvement to fix and determine upon an area or areas of assessment for benefit for said proceeding.

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, in pursuance of the provisions of section 980 of the Greater New York Charter, hereby gives notice that the following is the proposed area of assessment for benefit in this proceeding:

Beginning at a point on the centre line of Brook avenue, where it is intersected by the prolongation of a line midway between East One Hundred and Fifty-seventh street and East One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, as laid out between Brook avenue and Park avenue, and running thence westwardly along the said line midway between East One Hundred and Fifty-seventh street and East One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, and the prolongation thereof to a point midway between Sheridan avenue and Mott avenue; thence northwardly and parallel with Sheridan avenue to the intersection with a line which bisects the angle formed by the intersection of the prolongations of the westerly line of Sheridan avenue and the easterly line of Mott avenue as laid out between East One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street and East One Hundred and Sixty-first street; thence northwardly along the said bisecting line to the intersection with the prolongation of a line midway between Sheridan avenue and Mott avenue, as laid out between East One Hundred and Sixty-first and East One Hundred and Sixty-fourth streets; thence northwardly along the said line midway between Sheridan and Mott avenues to the intersection with a line distant 150 feet northerly from and parallel with the northerly line of East One Hundred and Sixty-third street as laid out between Mott avenue and Park avenue, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of East One Hundred and Sixty-third street; thence eastwardly along the said line parallel with East One Hundred and Sixty-third street, and the prolongation thereof, to the intersection with a line always distant 100 feet easterly from and parallel with the easterly line of Boston road, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Boston road; thence southwardly, parallel with and always distant 100 feet easterly from the easterly lines of Boston road, Third avenue and St. Ann's avenue, respectively, to the intersection with the prolongation of a line midway between East One Hundred and Fifty-seventh street and East One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, as laid out between German place and St. Ann's avenue; thence westwardly along the said line midway between East One Hundred and Fifty-seventh street and East One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street and the prolongation thereof, to the centre line of Brook avenue; thence northwardly along the centre line of Brook avenue to the point or place of beginning.

Resolved, That this Board consider the proposed area of assessment at a meeting of the Board to be held in The City of New York, Borough of Manhattan, in the City Hall, on the 28th day of February, 1908, at 10:30 a. m., and that at the same time and place a public hearing thereon will then and there be had.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Board cause these resolutions and a notice to all persons affected thereby to be published in the CITY RECORD for ten days prior to the 28th day of February, 1908.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen and the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn, The Bronx and Queens—15.

OPENING GUN HILL ROAD, THE BRONX.

The following communication from the Comptroller was presented:

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
January 23, 1908.

Hon. HERMAN A. METZ, Comptroller:

SIR—At the meeting of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, held April 5, 1907, a copy of report of the Chief Engineer of the Board relative to the opening of Gun Hill road, between Jerome avenue and Moshulu Parkway North, Borough of The Bronx, was referred to the Comptroller for consideration.

I would report that I see no reason why the entire cost of opening should not be borne by the property benefited, and suggest that you advise the Board that opening proceedings be authorized and the cost of said proceedings be assessed (unless a general benefit to the public is established) against the property within the area of assessment suggested by the Chief Engineer of the Board. The limits of said assessment average 500 feet from the road proposed to be opened.

Respectfully,

CHANDLER WITTINGTON, Chief Engineer.

Approved:

H. A. METZ, Comptroller.

The following resolutions were then adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York, in pursuance of the provisions of section 970 of the Greater New York Charter, as amended, deems it for the public interest that the title, for the uses and to the extent thereof as herein mentioned, to the lands and premises required for the opening and extending of Gun Hill road, from Jerome avenue to Moshulu Parkway North, in the Borough of The Bronx, City of New York, should be acquired by The City of New York.

Resolved, That the title to be so acquired is hereby determined to be a title in fee in such premises.

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, deeming it for the public interest so to do, hereby requests the Corporation Counsel to make application to a Special Term of the Supreme Court, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and one Commissioner of Assessment, and to take the necessary proceedings in the name of The City of New York, to acquire title as herein determined, wherever the same has not heretofore been acquired, for the use of the public, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments that shall or may be required for the purpose of opening and extending Gun Hill road, from Jerome avenue to Moshulu Parkway North, in the Borough of The Bronx, City of New York.

Resolved, That no portion of the cost and expense of said proceedings, incurred by reason of the provisions of title 4, chapter 17, of the Greater New York Charter, as amended, shall be borne and paid by The City of New York, but that the whole of such cost and expense, including the expense of the Bureau of Street Openings and of the awards, if any, for damages caused by intended regulation and all other expenses and disbursements authorized by section 997 of said title, as amended, shall be assessed upon the property deemed to be benefited thereby; and

Whereas, It appears from the affidavit of the Supervisor of the City Record that due notice was given therein that at the time of the adoption of the resolution directing the institution of proceedings herein to acquire title to the lands required for this improvement that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment would consider a proposed area of assessment as therein described and would give a public hearing thereon upon the 5th day of April, 1907; and

Whereas, At the aforesaid time and place a public hearing was given to all persons interested in such proposed area of assessment who appeared, and such proposed area of assessment was duly considered by this Board.

Resolved, That the area of assessment for benefit in these proceedings be and is hereby fixed and determined to be as follows:

Beginning at a point on the northwesterly side of Jerome avenue distant 480 feet northeasterly from its intersection with the easterly side of Moshulu Parkway North and running to a point formed by the intersection of the said easterly line of Moshulu Parkway North with the centre line of Gates place; thence northwestwardly and continuing along the same course as last described to a point midway between the westerly line of the lands included in the Moshulu parkway and the easterly line of Moshulu Parkway North; thence northerly and midway between the easterly line of Moshulu Parkway North and the westerly line of the lands included in the Moshulu parkway south of Sedgwick avenue and the westerly line of Moshulu Parkway South, north of Sedgwick avenue, to the intersection with the prolongation of the northerly line of Van Cortlandt Park South; thence northerly and tangent to the curve forming the boundary line last described 430 feet; thence eastwardly to a point on the northwesterly side of Jerome avenue distant 500 feet northeasterly from its intersection with the northeasterly line of Gun Hill road; thence southeastwardly and parallel with the Gun Hill road to the intersection with the prolongation of a line midway between Steuben avenue and Rochambeau avenue; thence southwestwardly and along the said line midway between Steuben avenue and Rochambeau avenue and the prolongation thereof to a point on the said line midway between its intersection with the southwesterly side of Gun Hill road and the northeasterly side of East Two Hundred and Tenth street; thence northwestwardly to the point or place of beginning.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen and the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn, The Bronx and Queens—15.

OPENING PALMETTO STREET, MADISON STREET AND WOODBINE STREET, QUEENS.

The following communication from the Chief Engineer was presented:

REPORT No. 5642.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
January 23, 1908.

Hon. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—Resolutions have been adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment providing for the acquisition of title to Palmetto street and Madison street, between the Brooklyn Borough line and Fresh Pond road, and to Woodbine street, between Myrtle avenue and Fresh Pond road, in the Second Ward of the Borough of Queens.

The Palmetto street resolution was adopted on September 22, 1905, the Woodbine street resolution on December 1, 1905, and the Madison street resolution on January 19, 1906. On the date when the amended Street Opening Law became effective the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment had not been appointed in any of these proceedings, and the Corporation Counsel has advised that it will be necessary to again approve the resolutions.

The three streets are adjoining and parallel, and I see no reason why, under the amended law, they should not be made the subject of a single proceeding, such treatment being recommended.

At the time when the resolutions were first adopted the old Lutheran Cemetery road, owning a steam railroad franchise, was operated by the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Railroad Company as a part of their trolley system. It was believed that there would be no attempt made to revive the old franchise, and the provisions of the Railroad Law relative to the laying out of streets across steam surface railroads were not complied with. Since this date the franchise privileges have again been claimed and the railroad is now being used as a part of the elevated system, the line coming to the surface grade in Palmetto street near the Borough line and following this street to a point near Onderdonk avenue, where it deflects, crossing Woodbine street midway between Onderdonk avenue and Woodward avenue and Madison street just north of Woodward avenue. At all of these points the railroad grade practically coincides with that fixed for the streets.

When the Palmetto street resolution was originally approved the street as mapped had a width of 80 feet between the Borough line and Forest avenue and a width of 60 feet from the last mentioned street to the Fresh Pond road. Between Onderdonk avenue and Covert avenue the abutting property was very largely improved and the buildings had been erected to conform with a street width of 60 feet. For the purpose of reducing the cost of the opening proceeding the map was changed under resolutions adopted by the Board last year to reduce the width between Covert avenue and Forest avenue to 60.05 feet, and at about the same time an ordinance was adopted by the Board of Aldermen providing for an increased width of the roadway between Covert avenue and Onderdonk avenue, which is here occupied by the railroad tracks already alluded to. In my original report upon this proceeding it was shown that through portions of its length the street had probably been dedicated and that through the remaining sections it was not in use.

Portions of Woodbine street and of Madison street, both of which had been laid out to have a width of 60.05 feet, are in use and a few buildings have been erected upon the abutting property, some of those fronting upon Woodbine street encroaching upon the land to be acquired. It is possible that buildings also encroach upon the land to be acquired in Madison street and in Palmetto street, the determination of which, however, can only be made after a survey.

I would recommend the approval of the resolutions; that title to the land be acquired in fee; that all of the costs of the proceeding, including the expenses of the Bureau of Street Openings and any damages allowed for intended regulating, be assessed upon the property benefited, and that a district of assessment be laid out to comprise the following area:

Beginning at a point on the line between the Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens where it is intersected by a line midway between Grover street and Ralph street, and running thence northeastwardly along the said line midway between Grover street and Ralph street to the intersection with a line distant 100 feet northeasterly from and parallel with the northeasterly line of Covert avenue, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Covert avenue; thence southeastwardly and parallel with Covert avenue to the intersection with a line midway between Palmetto street and Gates avenue; thence northeastwardly and always along a line midway between Palmetto street and Gates avenue to the intersection with a line distant 100 feet northeasterly from and parallel with the northeasterly line of Fresh Pond road, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Fresh Pond road; thence southeastwardly and always parallel with and distant 100 feet northeasterly from the northeasterly line of Fresh Pond road to the intersection with a line distant 100 feet southeasterly from and parallel with the southeasterly line of Madison street, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Madison street; thence southwestwardly and parallel with and always distant 100 feet southeasterly from the southeasterly line of Madison street, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Madison street, to the intersection with the line between the Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens; thence northwestwardly and along the said Borough line to the point or place of beginning.

The records of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment do not show that the railroad company was given a hearing when these streets were placed upon the map of the City, and in conformity with the requirements of the Railroad Law I would recommend that notice of the proposed authorization of the opening proceeding be now served on the company and that application be made to the Public Service Commission to determine the character of the railroad crossing. In another report bearing this date and relating to opening proceedings for three other streets crossing the same railroad, it has been shown that the time has not yet arrived for the removal of these grade crossings, and it is suggested that in the communication sent to the Public Service Commission their attention be called to the desirability of adopting the grade crossings under a tentative plan to be superseded at some later date by a permanent plan providing for either elevating or depressing the tracks.

I would also recommend that the previous resolutions providing for the acquisition of title to these three streets be rescinded.

Respectfully,
NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

The following resolutions were then adopted:

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York is considering the advisability of instituting proceedings to acquire title to the lands and premises required for the opening and extending of Palmetto street, from the Brooklyn Borough line to Fresh Pond road; Madison street, from the Brooklyn Borough line to Fresh Pond road; and Woodbine street, from Myrtle avenue to Fresh Pond road, in the Borough of Queens, City of New York; and

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment is authorized and required at the time of the adoption of the resolution directing the institution of proceedings to acquire title to the lands required for the foregoing improvement to fix and determine upon an area or areas of assessment for benefit for said proceeding.

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, in pursuance of the provisions of section 980 of the Greater New York Charter, hereby gives notice that the following is the proposed area of assessment for benefit in this proceeding:

Beginning at a point on the line between the Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens where it is intersected by a line midway between Grover street and Ralph street, and running thence northeastwardly along the said line midway between Grover street and Ralph street to the intersection with a line distant 100 feet northeasterly from and parallel with the northeasterly line of Covert avenue, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Covert avenue; thence southeastwardly and parallel with Covert avenue to the intersection with a line midway between Palmetto street and Gates avenue; thence northeastwardly and always along a line midway between Palmetto street and Gates avenue to the intersection with a line distant 100 feet northeasterly from and parallel with the northeasterly line of Fresh Pond road, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Fresh Pond road; thence southeastwardly and always parallel with and distant 100 feet northeasterly from the northeasterly line of Fresh Pond road to the intersection with a line distant 100 feet southeasterly from and parallel with the southeasterly line of Madison street, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Madison street; thence southwestwardly and parallel with and always distant 100 feet southeasterly from the southeasterly line of Madison street, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Madison street, to the intersection with the line between the Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens; thence northwestwardly and along the said Borough line to the point or place of beginning.

Resolved, That this Board consider the proposed area of assessment at a meeting of the Board to be held in The City of New York, Borough of Manhattan, in the City Hall, on the 28th day of February, 1908, at 10:30 a. m., and that at the same time and place a public hearing thereon will then and there be had.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Board cause these resolutions and a notice to all persons affected thereby to be published in the CITY RECORD for ten days prior to the 28th day of February, 1908.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen and the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn, The Bronx and Queens—15.

The Secretary was directed to notify the railroad company of the date of the hearing.

ACQUIRING TITLE TO PUBLIC PARK BOUNDED BY VAN ALST AVENUE, TENTH STREET, EAST AVENUE AND NINTH STREET, QUEENS.

The following resolution of the Local Board of Newtown District, Borough of Queens, and report of the Chief Engineer were presented, and, on motion of the President of the Board of Aldermen the matter was laid on the table:

In the Local Board of the Newtown District.

Whereas, A petition for a local improvement described below has been received by the President of the Borough of Queens; and

Whereas, He has appointed a time for a meeting of this Local Board not more than fifteen days after the receipt by him of the said petition, at which meeting the said petition would be submitted by him to the said Local Board, and he has caused a notice to be published in the CITY RECORD that said petition has been presented to him and is on file in his office for inspection, and of the time when and the place where there would be a meeting of this Local Board at which said petition would be submitted by him to the said Board, which time was not less than ten days after the publication of this notice; and

Whereas, The said petition was duly submitted thereafter to the said Local Board, which did duly consider the same, and give a full hearing thereon; now therefore it is

Resolved, by the Local Board of the Newtown District, pursuant to titles 2 and 3 of chapter 10 of the Greater New York Charter, That the said petition be and the same hereby is granted; and it is hereby

Resolved, That this Board does hereby initiate proceedings for the said local improvement, to wit:

To acquire title to the public park bounded by Van Alst avenue, Tenth street, East avenue and Ninth street, in the First Ward of the Borough of Queens; and it is hereby

Resolved, That a copy of the resolution be transmitted forthwith to the Commissioner of Parks for the Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens and to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval.

Adopted by the Local Board of the Newtown District on the 11th day of July, 1907, Aldermen Clifford and Herold, and Lawrence Gresser, Commissioner of Public Works, voting in favor thereof.

Attest:

HERMAN RINGE, Secretary.

Approved this 11th day of July, 1907.

JOSEPH BERMEL,
President of the Borough of Queens.

REPORT NO. 5649.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
January 24, 1908.

HON. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—Herewith is transmitted a resolution of the Local Board of the Newtown District, Borough of Queens, adopted on July 11, 1907, initiating proceedings for the acquisition of title to a public park to be bounded by Van Alst avenue, Tenth street, East avenue and Ninth street, in the First Ward.

On this date a report has been prepared upon a resolution for laying out the park, and its approval has been recommended, with the provision that the opening proceedings would be begun at once. As shown in the report upon the change in map, the area affected comprises one block having a length of about 590 feet and a width of 200 feet. The assessed valuation of the property is \$75,900.

With the understanding that the entire cost of the proceeding will be assessed upon the property benefited, I would recommend that, after the map has been changed, the resolution be approved, and that a district of assessment be laid out to comprise the following area:

Bounded on the north by a line midway between Thirteenth street and Fourteenth street and by the prolongation of the said line; on the east by a line distant 400 feet easterly from and parallel with the easterly line of Ely avenue as laid out between Thirteenth street and Jackson avenue and by the prolongation of the said line; on the south by a line midway between Hunters Point avenue and Fourth street, and by a line midway between Fifth street and Fourth street, and on the west by a line midway between West avenue and Vernon avenue as laid out south of Tenth street and by the prolongation of the said line.

Respectfully,
NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

OPENING GRANT STREET, SHERMAN STREET AND SLOCUM STREET, QUEENS.

The following resolutions of the Local Board of Newtown District, Borough of Queens, and report of the Chief Engineer, were presented:

In the Local Board of the Newtown District.

Whereas, A petition for a local improvement described below has been received by the President of the Borough of Queens; and

Whereas, He has appointed a time for a meeting of this Local Board not more than fifteen days after the receipt by him of the said petition, at which meeting the said petition would be submitted by him to the said Local Board, and he has caused a notice to be published in the CITY RECORD that said petition has been presented to him and is on file in his office for inspection, and of the time when and the place where there would be a meeting of this Local Board at which the said petition would be submitted by him to the said Board, which time was not less than ten days after the publication of this notice; and

Whereas, The said petition was duly submitted thereafter to the said Local Board, which did duly consider the same and give a full hearing thereon; now therefore it is

Resolved, by the Local Board of the Newtown District, pursuant to titles 2 and 3 of chapter 10 of the Greater New York Charter, That the said petition be and the same hereby is granted; and it is hereby

Resolved, That this Board does hereby initiate proceedings for the said local improvement, to wit:

To legally open Grant street, from Kossuth place to Madison street, in the Second Ward of the Borough of Queens, and it is hereby further

Resolved, That a copy of the resolution be transmitted forthwith to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval.

Adopted by the Local Board of the Newtown District on the 12th day of June, 1906.

Aldermen Herold and Clifford, and Joseph Bermel, President of the Borough of Queens voting in favor thereof.

Attest:

HERMAN RINGE, Secretary.

Approved this 12th day of June, 1906.

JOSEPH BERMEL,
President of the Borough of Queens.

In the Local Board of the Newtown District.

Whereas, A petition for a local improvement described below has been received by the President of the Borough of Queens; and

Whereas, He has appointed a time for a meeting of this Local Board not more than fifteen days after the receipt by him of the said petition, at which meeting the said petition would be submitted by him to the said Local Board, and he has caused a notice to be published in the CITY RECORD that said petition has been presented to him and is on file in his office for inspection, and of the time when and the place where there would be a meeting of this Local Board at which the said petition would be submitted by him to the said Board, which time was not less than ten days after the publication of this notice; and

Whereas, The said petition was duly submitted thereafter to the said Local Board, which did duly consider the same and give a full hearing thereon; now therefore it is

Resolved, by the Local Board of the Newtown District, pursuant to titles 2 and 3 of chapter 10 of the Greater New York Charter, That the said petition be and the same hereby is granted; and it is hereby

Resolved, That this Board does hereby initiate proceedings for the said local improvement, to wit:

To legally open Sherman street, from the Manhattan Beach Division of the Long Island Railroad to Traffic street, in the Second Ward of the Borough of Queens; and it is hereby further

Resolved, That a copy of the resolution be transmitted forthwith to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval.

Adopted by the Local Board of the Newtown District on the 12th day of June, 1906.

Aldermen Herold and Clifford, and Joseph Bermel, President of the Borough of Queens, voting in favor thereof.

Attest:

HERMAN RINGE, Secretary.

Approved this 12th day of June, 1906.

JOSEPH BERMEL,
President of the Borough of Queens.

In the Local Board of the Newtown District.

Whereas, A petition for a local improvement described below has been received by the President of the Borough of Queens; and

Whereas, He has appointed a time for a meeting of this Local Board not more than fifteen days after the receipt by him of the said petition, at which meeting the said petition would be submitted by him to the said Local Board, and he has caused a notice to be published in the CITY RECORD that said petition has been presented to him and is on file in his office for inspection, and of the time when and the place where there would be a meeting of this Local Board at which the said petition would be submitted by him to the said Board, which time was not less than ten days after the publication of this notice; and

submitted by him to the said Board, which time was not less than ten days after the publication of this notice; and

Whereas, The said petition was duly submitted thereafter to the said Local Board, which did duly consider the same and give a full hearing thereon; now therefore it is

Resolved, by the Local Board of the Newtown District, pursuant to titles 2 and 3 of chapter 10 of the Greater New York Charter, That the said petition be and the same hereby is granted; and it is hereby

Resolved, That this Board does hereby initiate proceedings for the said local improvement, to wit:

To legally open Slocum street, from Edsall avenue to Madison street, in the Second Ward of the Borough of Queens; and it is hereby

Resolved, That a copy of the resolution be transmitted forthwith to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval.

Adopted by the Local Board of the Newtown District on the 18th day of July, 1906.

Aldermen Clifford and Herold, and Joseph Bermel, President of the Borough of Queens, voting in favor thereof.

Attest:

HERMAN RINGE, Secretary.

Approved this 18th day of July, 1906.

JOSEPH BERMEL,
President of the Borough of Queens.

REPORT No. 5641.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
January 23, 1908.

Hon. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—Herewith are transmitted three resolutions of the Local Board of the Newtown District, Borough of Queens, initiating proceedings for the acquisition of title to the following streets in the Second Ward:

Grant street, between Kossuth place and Madison street.

Sherman street, between the Manhattan Beach Division of the Long Island Railroad and the traffic street adjoining the Montauk Division of the Long Island Railroad.

Slocum street, between Edsall avenue and Madison avenue.

The two former resolutions were adopted by the Local Board on June 12, 1906, and the latter one on July 18, 1906.

Each of the streets has been placed upon the map of the City to have a width of about 60 feet, and the resolution includes the entire length of Grant street and of Sherman street, the former being about 1,800 feet and the latter about 3,300 feet. The Slocum street resolution includes three long blocks, or about 1,600 feet, and omits that portion which has already been laid out between Edsall avenue and Myrtle avenue. It seems probable that the street will not be required between Edsall avenue and Central avenue, in which block it crosses the Manhattan Beach Division of the Long Island Railroad. South of the crossing the land is occupied by buildings, and that portion of the block located to the north is of a very short length, and does not appear to be required to give property a frontage upon a public street. Each of the streets named crosses the tracks of the old Lutheran Cemetery Railroad, which is now under the control of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Railroad Company, and used for the operation of one of their elevated lines. The tracks approximately coincide with the grade fixed for the street. The records do not show that when the map of the street system was adopted the railroad company was given a hearing in the matter.

Grant street, between the railroad and Elm street, has been approximately graded, and a few houses have been erected upon the abutting property. Through its remaining length it is not in use at the present time.

Sherman avenue is in use between the old Lutheran Railroad and the Manhattan Beach Division of the Long Island Railroad, through which portion of its length the street has been partially graded and the abutting property is slightly improved.

A roadway is in use along the line of Slocum street, between Edsall avenue and the Lutheran Railroad, and a few houses have been erected upon the abutting property.

Buildings encroach upon the land to be acquired in Grant street.

I see no reason why the resolution providing for the acquisition of these streets should not be made the subject of a single proceeding, and would recommend such treatment. I would also recommend that title to the land be acquired in fee; that all of the costs of the proceeding, including the expenses of the Bureau of Street Openings and any damages allowed for intended regulating, be assessed upon the property benefited, and that a district of assessment be laid out to comprise the following area:

Beginning at a point on the northwesterly property line of the Manhattan Beach Division of the Long Island Railroad distant 100 feet southwesterly from the southwesterly line of Kossuth place, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Kossuth place, and running thence northwestwardly and parallel with Kossuth place to the intersection with the prolongation of a line distant 100 feet westerly from and parallel with the westerly line of Grant street, as laid out between Elm street and Edsall avenue, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Grant street; thence northwardly along the said line parallel with Grant street and the prolongation thereof to the intersection with a line which is the bisector of the angle formed by the intersection of the prolongation of the westerly line of Grant street and the easterly line of Fresh Pond road, as laid out between Elm street and Madison street; thence northwardly along the said bisecting line to a point distant 100 feet northerly from the northerly line of Madison street, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Madison street; thence eastwardly and parallel with Madison street to the intersection with a line which bisects the angle formed by the intersection of the prolongations of the westerly line of Sherman street and the easterly line of Fresh Pond road, as laid out between Woodbine street and Grover street; thence northwardly along the said bisecting line to a point distant 100 feet northerly from the northerly line of Grover street, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Grover street; thence eastwardly and parallel with Grover street to the southwesterly line of Traffic street; thence southeastwardly along the southwesterly line of Traffic street to the northerly line of Linden street; thence southeastwardly in a straight line to a point on the prolongation of the southwesterly line of Linden street where it is intersected by the prolongation of a line midway between Sherman street and Howard street; thence southwardly along the said line midway between Sherman street and Howard street to a point distant 100 feet northerly from the northerly line of Madison street; thence eastwardly and parallel with Madison street to the intersection with the prolongation of a line midway between Slocum street and Howard street; thence southwardly along the said line midway between Slocum street and Howard street and the prolongation of the said line, to the northwesterly property line of the Manhattan Beach Division of the Long Island Railroad; thence southwestwardly along the said property line of the Manhattan Beach Division of the Long Island Railroad to the point or place of beginning.

Under an opinion recently received from the Corporation Counsel it will be necessary before the proceeding is begun to give the railroad company a hearing, and to submit the matter to the Public Service Commission to determine the character of the railroad crossing. It seems reasonable to assume that at some future time the railroad will either be elevated or depressed, but no steps have yet been taken to arrange for such change, and it is believed to be premature at this time. I see no reason to prevent the establishment of a temporary grade crossing at each of the streets, with the understanding that the preparation of a permanent plan will be taken up at some future time, and when conditions have so changed as to require the removal of grade crossings. It is therefore recommended that these facts be set forth in a communication to the Public Service Commission, and that the Commission be requested to act in the matter, and in accordance with the provisions of section 61 of the Railroad Law in so far as the same relates to the determination of the character of crossings which may be accepted to permit of carrying out the proceeding.

Respectfully,

NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

The following resolutions were then adopted:

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York is considering the advisability of instituting proceedings to acquire title to the lands and premises required for the opening and extending of Grant street, from Kossuth

place to Madison street; Sherman street, from the Manhattan Beach Division of the Long Island Railroad to the traffic street adjoining the Montauk Division of the Long Island Railroad; Slocum street, from Edsall avenue to Madison street, in the Borough of Queens, City of New York; and

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment is authorized and required at the time of the adoption of the resolution directing the institution of proceedings to acquire title to the lands required for the foregoing improvement to fix and determine upon an area or areas of assessment for benefit for said proceeding.

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, in pursuance of the provisions of section 980 of the Greater New York Charter, hereby gives notice that the following is the proposed area of assessment for benefit in this proceeding:

Beginning at a point on the northwesterly property line of the Manhattan Beach Division of the Long Island Railroad distant 100 feet southwesterly from the southwesterly line of Kossuth place, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Kossuth place, and running thence northwestwardly and parallel with Kossuth place to the intersection with the prolongation of a line distant 100 feet westerly from and parallel with the westerly line of Grant street, as laid out between Elm street and Edsall avenue, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Grant street; thence northwardly along the said line parallel with Grant street and the prolongation thereof to the intersection with a line which is the bisector of the angle formed by the intersection of the prolongation of the westerly line of Grant street and the easterly line of Fresh Pond road, as laid out between Elm street and Madison street; thence northwardly along the said bisecting line to a point distant 100 feet northerly from the northerly line of Madison street, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Madison street; thence eastwardly and parallel with Madison street to the intersection with a line which bisects the angle formed by the intersection of the prolongations of the westerly line of Sherman street and the easterly line of Fresh Pond road, as laid out between Woodbine street and Grover street; thence northwardly along the said bisecting line to a point distant 100 feet northerly from the northerly line of Grover street, the said distance being measured at right angles to the line of Grover street; thence eastwardly and parallel with Grover street to the southwesterly line of Traffic street; thence southeastwardly along the southwesterly line of Traffic street to the northerly line of Linden street; thence southeastwardly in a straight line to a point on the prolongation of the southwesterly line of Linden street where it is intersected by the prolongation of a line midway between Sherman street and Howard street; thence southwardly along the said line midway between Sherman street and Howard street to a point distant 100 feet northerly from the northerly line of Madison street; thence eastwardly and parallel with Madison street to the intersection with the prolongation of a line midway between Slocum street and Howard street; thence southwardly along the said line midway between Slocum street and Howard street and the prolongation of the said line, to the northwesterly property line of the Manhattan Beach Division of the Long Island Railroad; thence southwestwardly along the said property line of the Manhattan Beach Division of the Long Island Railroad to the point or place of beginning.

Resolved, That this Board consider the proposed area of assessment at a meeting of the Board to be held in The City of New York, Borough of Manhattan, in the City Hall, on the 28th day of February, 1908, at 10:30 a. m., and that at the same time and place a public hearing thereon will then and there be had.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Board cause these resolutions and a notice to all persons affected thereby to be published in the CITY RECORD for ten days prior to the 28th day of February, 1908.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen and the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn, The Bronx, Richmond and the Acting President of the Borough of Queens—16.

The Secretary was directed to notify the railroad company of the date of the hearing.

AMENDMENT IN SEWER PLAN BY PROVIDING FOR A SEWER IN EAST NINETEENTH STREET, BROOKLYN.

The following communication from the Commissioner of Public Works of the Borough of Brooklyn and report of the Chief Engineer were presented:

THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN,
BROOKLYN, September 13, 1907.

Mr. JOSEPH HAAG, Secretary, Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

DEAR SIR—I beg to transmit herewith, approved by the Borough President, maps showing plan for sewers in East Nineteenth street, between Voorhies and Emmons avenues.

No plan for sewers in this district has ever been prepared. The present sewers were built by the old town of Gravesend and provide for only a few of the streets. They discharge at the disposal works and no storm water is admitted to them. Request has been made for a sewer in East Nineteenth street a number of times. This plan provides one which can be incorporated in a complete system of sewers for the district when this is prepared.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN MULLER, Secretary.

REPORT No. 5594.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
December 13, 1907.

Hon. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—Herewith is transmitted a communication from the Commissioner of Public Works of the Borough of Brooklyn, through his Secretary, dated September 13, 1907, requesting the approval of a plan showing a sewer in East Nineteenth street, between Emmons avenue and Voorhies avenue.

This plan affects one block of East Nineteenth street. From the information presented with the resolution it appears that a sewer map has not heretofore been adopted for the street. The elevations are low, and the plan indicates that there will be only about 32 inches of covering over the sewer at Emmons avenue, the surface elevation at this point being 5.5 feet above tide. The sewer is intended to connect with the Voorhies avenue sewer, which has already been built.

The plan appears to meet the local conditions, and I would recommend its approval.

Respectfully,
NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

The following resolution was then adopted:

Resolved, That the plan submitted by the President of the Borough of Brooklyn, dated September 7, 1907, showing an amendment of the drainage plan of the Borough of Brooklyn, affecting a sewer in East Nineteenth street, between Emmons avenue and Voorhies avenue, be and the same hereby is approved.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen and the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn, The Bronx, Richmond and the Acting President of the Borough of Queens—16.

AMENDMENT IN DRAINAGE PLAN OF MAP Y, DISTRICT 45, BROOKLYN.

The following communication from the Commissioner of Public Works of the Borough of Brooklyn and report of the Chief Engineer were presented:

THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN,
BROOKLYN, May 27, 1907.

JOSEPH HAAG, Esq., Secretary, Board of Estimate and Apportionment, New York City:

DEAR SIR—I beg to transmit herewith, maps showing a change of plan for sewers in Kenmore place, between Avenue G and Avenue I, and in Avenue I, between East Seventeenth street and Flatbush avenue.

The present legal plan of sewers in this neighborhood shows an outlet sewer passing under the tracks of the Long Island Railroad where they cross Kenmore place, and the Bay Ridge improvement will lower the grade so far that it will not be possible to pass under them with the sewer.

This plan, herewith submitted, provides for an outlet sewer in Avenue I, emptying into the Flatbush avenue sewer.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN MULLER, Secretary to the Commissioner.

REPORT NO. 5593.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
December 13, 1907.

HON. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—Herewith is transmitted a communication from the Commissioner of Public Works of the Borough of Brooklyn, through his Secretary, dated May 27, 1907, requesting the approval of a modification in the drainage plan of Map Y, District 45.

This change affects the sewers proposed for East Twenty-first street, between Avenues G and I, and for Avenue I, between East Seventeenth street and Flatbush avenue. Under the plans heretofore adopted, drainage from a large area south of the Long Island Railroad, located between Avenue H and Avenue I, was to be carried northwardly into the Avenue G trunk sewer. Under the improvement now being carried out by the Brooklyn Grade Crossing Commission, the railroad tracks will be lowered to such an extent as to prevent the construction of the sewer across the railroad land. It is now proposed to carry drainage from north of the railroad into the Avenue G sewer as heretofore, the size of the sewer being materially reduced, while south of the railroad the flow is to be carried along Avenue I to the Flatbush avenue sewer, a greater capacity being required than was shown upon the original map.

The modifications proposed are, in my judgment, proper ones and I would recommend the adoption of the plan.

Respectfully,
NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

The following resolution was then adopted:

Resolved, That the plan submitted by the President of the Borough of Brooklyn, showing an amendment of the Drainage Plan of Map Y, District 45, Borough of Brooklyn, dated May 11, 1907, affecting sewers in East Twenty-first street, between Avenues G and I, and Avenue I, between East Seventeenth street and Flatbush avenue, be and the same hereby is approved.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen and the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn, The Bronx, Richmond and the Acting President of the Borough of Queens and the President of the Borough of Richmond—16.

SEWER IN TOMPKINS STREET, RICHMOND.

The following communication from the President of the Borough of Richmond and report of the Chief Engineer were presented, and, on motion, the matter was referred back to the President of the Borough of Richmond:

THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH OF RICHMOND,
NEW BRIGHTON, NEW YORK CITY, December 23, 1907.

Board of Estimate and Apportionment, No. 277 Broadway, New York:

GENTLEMEN—About eighteen years ago, the Trustees of the old Village of Edgewater entered into a contract under which was constructed a 6-inch sanitary sewer in Tompkins street, Stapleton, between Quinn street and Brownell street, in what is now the Second Ward of the Borough of Richmond. This sewer has given trouble almost from the time of its original construction, or at least from the time when there were enough houses connected with it to supply a considerable quantity of sewage. The grade is so slight for a considerable portion of its length and the alignment is so poor that our Bureau of Sewers has great trouble in relieving stoppages when they occur, and they are not at all infrequent. It is only by very prompt action that suits for damages have not entailed large costs in the form of judgments against the City. A sanitary sewer is all that is needed in the long block in question, so that there is no probability of "combined sanitary and storm water sewer" being constructed, which would, of course, replace the present sanitary line and be assessed over properties benefited. It does not seem proper to have the Bureau of Sewers take its maintenance moneys for full reconstruction purposes.

We would ask, therefore, that there be appropriated from some Special Revenue Bond or Corporate Stock account the sum of \$1,300 to be used, either in whole or in part, for the complete reconstruction of this sewer on a proper line and grade.

We send herewith a plan and detailed estimate of cost of the work proposed to be done, and affidavit as to the public status of said Tompkins street, the plan showing present conditions and proposed changes, except that it obviously cannot indicate the irregular alignment of the present sewer.

Yours respectfully,
GEORGE CROMWELL, President of the Borough.

REPORT NO. 5629.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
January 21, 1908.

HON. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—Herewith is transmitted a communication from the President of the Borough of Richmond, bearing date of December 23, 1907, advising that the 6-inch sanitary sewer which was built in Tompkins street, between Quinn street and Brownell street, Stapleton, by the trustees of the old Village of Edgewater, about eighteen years ago, was laid with such a very flat grade and with such alignment that it has occasioned a large amount of trouble to the Sewer Bureau, frequent stoppages occurring. To remedy this condition and to avoid possible damage claims the President requests an issue of Special Revenue Bonds or Corporate Stock to the amount of \$1,300, the money to be used for the reconstruction of the sewer on a suitable grade.

I see no reason why the reconstruction proposed should not be treated as an improvement to be made for the benefit of the adjacent property and paid for by assessment. I would therefore suggest that this course be recommended to the Borough President as the proper one to follow, and that he be requested to present a Local Board resolution initiating proceedings for the improvement.

Respectfully,
NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

PLAN FOR A TEMPORARY SEWER IN ST. MARYS AVENUE, RICHMOND.

The following communication from the President of the Borough of Richmond and report of the Chief Engineer were presented:

THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH OF RICHMOND,
NEW BRIGHTON, NEW YORK CITY, November 27, 1907.

Board of Estimate and Apportionment, No. 277 Broadway, New York City:

GENTLEMEN—I send you herewith for approval map or plan showing location, size and grades of a temporary combined sewer in St. Marys avenue, from Tompkins avenue to Reynolds street, Fourth Ward, Borough of Richmond.

The portion of this sewer shown in yellow will become practically part of a permanent sewer system under survey and plan for the whole district. The portion shown in red will be abandoned when the rest of the permanent system is constructed, but should serve the present needs of this locality for sanitary purposes. The conditions are very serious at present and should be given the earliest possible relief.

Yours respectfully,
GEORGE CROMWELL,
President of the Borough of Richmond.

REPORT NO. 5630.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
January 21, 1908.

HON. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—Herewith is transmitted a communication from the President of the Borough of Richmond, bearing date of November 27, 1907, requesting the approval of a plan showing a temporary sewer in St. Marys avenue, between Tompkins avenue and Reynolds street, in the Fourth Ward.

The plan submitted with this communication provides for a combined sewer ranging in size from 8 inches to 34 inches through that portion of St. Marys avenue described in the communication with the exception of 210 feet immediately adjacent to and westerly from Tompkins avenue where the size is to be 6 inches. At Tompkins avenue the sewer is to connect with a 6-inch sewer already built in the street east of this intersection. The sewer now planned has been designed to meet the future needs of the adjoining territory, but the outlet is restricted in capacity, and will later be replaced when provision can be made for reconstructing the entire system of the locality to provide for the removal of storm water, the system now in use serving only for house drainage. The Borough President advises that until after the outlet has been enlarged it is not proposed to admit any storm water to that portion of the sewer shown upon the map.

The plan appears to be a proper one and its approval is recommended.

Respectfully,
NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

The following resolution was then adopted:

Resolved, That the plan submitted by the President of the Borough of Richmond, dated November 19, 1907, showing a temporary sewer in St. Marys avenue, between Tompkins avenue and Reynolds street, in the Fourth Ward, Borough of Richmond, be and the same hereby is approved.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen, the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn, The Bronx, Richmond and the Acting President of the Borough of Queens—16.

VIADUCT ON LINE OF FIRST AVENUE, BETWEEN SIXTY-THIRD AND SIXTY-SIXTH STREETS, BROOKLYN.

The matter of approval of the plan for a viaduct on the line of First avenue, between Sixty-third and Sixty-sixth streets, Borough of Brooklyn, to be built in accordance with the provisions of the contract of February 13, 1906, between The City of New York and the Long Island Railroad Company, which was laid over at the meeting of the Board held on January 24, 1908, was taken up, and, on motion, was laid over pending the determination of the question of a change in the grade of First avenue.

LAYING OUT, ACQUIRING TITLE TO, AND IMPROVING STREETS CROSSING STEAM RAILROADS.

The following communication from the Corporation Counsel and report of the Chief Engineer were presented:

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL,
NEW YORK, January 14, 1908.

JOSEPH HAAG, Esq., Secretary, Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—I desire to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of October 1, 1907, inclosing a communication from the Chief Engineer of the Board, relative to the method of procedure in opening streets which cross steam railroads, and in which the Chief Engineer asks whether the procedure before the Public Service Commission could not be simplified, and one presentation of the case before such Commission be held to be sufficient compliance with the Railroad Law.

The Chief Engineer in his report seems to consider that as there are three distinct proceedings required before a street can be constructed—viz., the mapping or laying out, the acquisition of title, and the construction—that it is necessary in each instance that a hearing on the necessity of the street be given to the railroad company over whose land the street is to be projected, and a reference to the Public Service Commission, the successors of the Railroad Commissioners, on the character of the crossing, whether at grade, above or below; in other words, that before a new street can be constructed across a railroad, three hearings must be given to the railroad company on the question of the necessity of the street, and three applications be made to the Public Service Commission to determine the manner of crossing.

Reference is made to three opinions from this office which the Engineer apparently considers are grounds for the foregoing conclusion.

An examination, however, of the opinions in question, will show that this office did not intend any such result.

On July 23, 1903, this office gave an opinion in which it held that in laying out a new street it was necessary that a hearing be given to the railroad company on the necessity of such street, and that if the Board of Estimate determined that such street was necessary application should be made to the Railroad Commissioners to determine the manner of crossing.

On August 19, 1904, this office advised that before East One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street could be constructed across the New York and Harlem Railroad, and before proceedings should be instituted to acquire title to the street, the railroad company should be given a hearing on the question of the necessity of the street, and if it be determined that the street is necessary, that application should be made to the Railroad Commissioners to determine the manner of crossing.

On July 15, 1904, similar advice was given with reference to the construction of Twelfth avenue in the Borough of Brooklyn.

The Chief Engineer concludes that inasmuch as from the foregoing opinions it was held that a hearing should be given when the new street was about to be laid out, when title was about to be acquired and when the street was about to be constructed, that, therefore, in the case of every new street, three separate and distinct hearings should be given to the railroad company and three separate and distinct applications should be made to the Public Service Commission.

It will, however, appear from an examination of the opinions that the opinion of July 23, 1903, had no reference to the layout on which either East One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street or Twelfth avenue was projected, and the opinions with reference to the acquisition of title in East One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street and the construction of Twelfth avenue were based on the fact that there had not been in either case any hearing given to the railroad company on the question of the necessity of the street, and that the question of the manner of crossing had not been submitted to the Railroad Commissioners or their successor, the Public Service Commission.

The intent of the Railroad Law is that one hearing shall be given to the railroad company on the question of the necessity of the street crossing its lands, and one ap-

lication shall be made to the Railroad Commissioners to determine the manner of the crossing.

I am advising you of this date that in proceedings to acquire title to streets shown on the final maps of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, adopted in 1895, it is incumbent on the Board of Estimate to grant a hearing to the railroad company on the question of the necessity of such streets, and that it will be necessary to make application to the Public Service Commission to determine the manner of such crossing, and the reason for that advice is that, although the streets were laid out, the City authorities had not in fact determined before the present time that the streets were necessary, and as an adjudication of that question had not been made, the present provisions of the Railroad Law applied.

The apparent conflict in the opinion now given with the three opinions referred to in the Chief Engineer's communication, results from the fact that in none of the three cases referred to had there ever been given a hearing, on the question of the necessity of the street, to the railroad company, or had an application been made to the Railroad Commissioners, or the Public Service Commission, to determine the manner of crossing the railroad tracks.

If, when the street was laid out, the railroad company had been given a hearing on the necessity of the street, and thereafter the manner of crossing had been determined by the Railroad Commissioners or the Public Service Commission, the City could go ahead in the construction of the street without granting to the railroad company any additional hearing on that question, or without any further application to the Railroad Commissioners to determine the manner of crossing.

To conclude, therefore, I would advise you that where a hearing has been given on the necessity of the street to the railroad company and where an application has been made to the Railroad Commissioners or the Public Service Commission with reference to the manner of crossing, whether such hearing or application be given when the street is about to be laid out, or is about to be acquired, or is about to be constructed, such hearing and such application is sufficient compliance with that part of the Railroad Law which required that a hearing on the necessity of the street be granted to the railroad company, and that the Railroad Commissioners or Public Service Commission determine the manner of crossing.

Very respectfully,

G. L. STERLING, Acting Corporation Counsel.

REPORT No. 5625.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
January 18, 1908.

Hon. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—At a meeting of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment held on September 27, 1907, the Corporation Counsel was requested to advise the Board as to the procedure to be followed in laying out and acquiring title to streets where the proceeding involved a crossing of a steam railroad. At this time attention was called to the somewhat vague provisions made in the Railroad Law which seemed to make it necessary to apply to the Public Service Commission not only when the street was laid out but also when title to it was acquired, and again when the street was about to be improved. Opinions had previously been received from the Corporation Counsel relating to improvements of the characters noted, and acting under advice received from him the Commission was requested in each case to lay out the crossing in conformity with the provisions of section 61 of the Railroad Law.

Under date of January 14, 1908, the Corporation Counsel has submitted an opinion in which he shows that the advice previously given related to streets where the character of the crossing had not previously been fixed, and that it is only necessary to give one notice and one hearing to the railroad company in the matter of a proceeding affecting its line, and that but one application to the Public Service Commission relative to the determination and character of the crossing is required.

It has recently been the custom to notify the railroad company affected, at the time when the street was laid out and also when title to it was to be acquired. Following the advice now given by the Corporation Counsel, I believe that the hearing of the railroad company and the application to the Public Service Commission in the matter of the crossing required for streets about to be placed on the maps should be made at the time when the street is laid out, and this course will hereafter be followed.

It will be noted that the Corporation Counsel makes no reference whatever to the proper method to be used in actually carrying out the construction of the crossing, which in many instances would not be required for a very long period of time after the street was laid out and its character determined upon. I understand, however, that under a reasonable interpretation of the Railroad Law, the construction work would not be ordered by the Public Service Commission until after notice had been received from the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to the effect that the street was about to be improved.

Believing that the matter is one of general interest, I would suggest that a copy of the opinion be forwarded to each of the Borough Presidents.

Respectfully,

NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

The Secretary was instructed to forward a copy of the communication of the Corporation Counsel to the Presidents of the several boroughs.

TRANSFER OF JURISDICTION OVER LINCOLN ROAD, BROOKLYN.

The following communications from the President of the Borough of Brooklyn and the Commissioner of Parks for the Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens and report of the Chief Engineer were presented, and, on motion of the President of the Borough of Brooklyn, the matter was laid over for two weeks:

THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN,
BROOKLYN, December 27, 1907.

To the Honorable the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—I forward to you herewith report of the Chief Engineer of the Bureau of Highways, dated December 17, relative to the transfer of jurisdiction over Lincoln road, between Bedford avenue and Ocean avenue, from the President of the Borough of Brooklyn to the Commissioner of Parks for the Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens. I would say that I concur in the opinion expressed by the Chief Engineer of the Bureau of Highways that the President of the Borough should have control of Lincoln road. My own opinion is that he should have control of all highways outside of park limits.

Yours very truly,

BIRD S. COLER,
President of the Borough.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS—BOROUGHS OF BROOKLYN AND QUEENS,
LITCHFIELD MANSION, PROSPECT PARK,
BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN, January 6, 1908.

Mr. JOSEPH HAAG, Secretary, Board of Estimate and Apportionment, New York City:

SIR—In reply to your communication of November 26, regarding the transfer of Lincoln road, between Bedford avenue and Prospect Park, from the Bureau of Highways to this Department, I beg to say that there are no streets similarly used as approaches to Prospect Park except those already under the jurisdiction of this Department, namely:

Ocean parkway, to the south and west, and
Eastern parkway, to the north and east.

Very truly yours,

M. J. KENNEDY, Commissioner.

REPORT No. 5621.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
January 16, 1908.

Hon. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—At the meeting of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment held on November 22, 1907, a communication was received from the Commissioner of Parks for the Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens, requesting that jurisdiction over that

portion of Lincoln road located between Bedford avenue and Ocean avenue be transferred to the Department of Parks in accordance with the provisions of chapter 200 of the Laws of 1907, it being the intention to treat the street as a parkway and to establish rules and regulations for its use as a thoroughfare of this kind.

The Board decided that before action was taken the Commissioner of Parks should be asked whether there were any other streets in the Borough which were generally used as park approaches and which should be similarly treated, and the Borough President was also requested to submit his views in the matter of the proposed transfer.

Under date of December 27, 1907, the President of the Borough submits a communication calling attention to the fact that streets lead to all of the entrances of Prospect Park, and that for each of these the transfer of jurisdiction which is asked for in the case of the Lincoln road might also be properly made if the application were to be acted upon favorably. He states, however, that it is his belief that all of the streets should be under the control of one Department, and that the list of those which have already been removed from his jurisdiction is a growing one, and he therefore objects to the transfer.

Under date of January 6, 1908, the Commissioner of Parks for the Borough has forwarded a communication in response to the request made, stating that there are no streets similar to Lincoln road which are used as approaches to Prospect Park with the exception of the Ocean parkway and the Eastern parkway. Attention might be called to the fact that both of the two last mentioned streets have a width of 210 feet and were laid out and have been treated as parkways. Lincoln road has a width of only 70 feet and has been improved as an ordinary City street.

In view of the objections raised by the Borough President to the transfer of jurisdiction and of the fact that the act of the Legislature providing for such transfer is permissive only, it would seem wise for the Board to deny the request unless more substantial reasons for such action be presented.

Respectfully,

NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

JAMAICA SEWAGE DISPOSAL PLANT, QUEENS.

The following communication from the Chief Engineer and report from Consulting Engineer Hering were presented:

REPORT No. 5645.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
January 24, 1908.

Hon. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor, Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—On November 8, 1907, a drainage plan for the Richmond Hill section, Borough of Queens, was approved by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, the plan providing for carrying the flow to the existing Jamaica disposal plant, where it was to be treated. At this time a question was raised as to the efficiency of this disposal plant and as to its capacity for treating the sewage from the territory to be added to the contributing area. To remove any doubt in these particulars Mr. Rudolph Hering, Consulting Engineer, was asked to make an investigation of and a report upon this plant. The results of his work are set forth in a communication from him dated January 10, 1908, which is transmitted herewith.

He shows that the plant as designed, was intended to subject the sewage to sedimentation and to chemical treatment, the latter consisting of the use of lime, perchloride of iron, and chlorine gas. The operation of the station has been investigated and a large number of samples of the raw sewage and of the treated sewage have been analyzed. It appears that an insufficient quantity of lime is used, and that by reason of its excessive cost the use of perchloride of iron has been practically discontinued. In his judgment, however, the plant is an efficient one in so far as sedimentation is concerned, the result of which appears to be the removal of one-third the organic matter and of about two-thirds of the suspended matter and bacteria. He states that the use of chemicals under the system now followed has but little effect and might be discontinued excepting during the warm season, when larger quantities might be used with good results, and he suggests that if lime and copperas were substituted for those heretofore used, there would be a resulting substantial increase in removal of suspended matter and of bacteria, and at a cost for chemicals of about \$2,000 per year, instead of \$1,000, as at present. He suggests modifications in the plant, and that it be placed under the immediate supervision of a competent man, who could properly direct the application of the chemicals. In his judgment the plant could be used for a few years to come, but does not meet modern requirements, and no large sum of money should be expended upon it other than as required to convert it into a sprinkling filter. The cost of a modern plant which would replace the one now in use is estimated at \$85,000, and it is believed by him that such a plant would result in a decreased maintenance charge.

There are a large number of similar chemical treatment plants in use in the Borough of Brooklyn, and the report will doubtless be of interest to the officials of this Borough as well as those of the Borough of Queens. I would therefore recommend that copies of it be forwarded to the President of each.

Respectfully,

NELSON P. LEWIS, Chief Engineer.

RUDOLPH HERING AND GEORGE W. FULLER,
HYDRAULIC ENGINEERS AND SANITARY EXPERTS,
No. 170 BROADWAY, NEW YORK,
January 10, 1908.

NELSON P. LEWIS, Esq., Chief Engineer, Board of Estimate and Apportionment, No. 277 Broadway, New York City:

DEAR SIR—Pursuant to your request of November 7, 1907, I hand you herewith a report on the Jamaica Sewage Disposal Plant.

This plant is located at the foot of Lincoln avenue, Jamaica, about a mile inland from Jamaica Bay, and was first put in operation on April 1, 1903. It consists of concrete settling or precipitating basins, holding about 830,000 gallons, together with devices for storing and applying lime and perchloride of iron, and for generating and applying chlorine gas to the sewage. These basins and devices are all contained within a brick building in which there are also boilers, pumps, offices, etc. The contract price for these works was as follows:

Building	\$65,000 00
Basins, fittings, pumps, boilers, etc.	43,870 00
Total	\$108,870 00

The present population of Jamaica is in round numbers 25,000, about 75 per cent. of which are said to be connected with the sewers. The total area drained by the sewers is about 1,900 acres. The sewers of Jamaica are built entirely on the separate plan, and only domestic sewage with some ground water reaches the plant. There are two systems of storm water sewers in Jamaica, but neither has any connection with the sanitary sewers. It is proposed also to deliver the sewage of the Richmond Hill district to this plant.

The average daily volume of sewage received at the disposal works is in round numbers 1,500,000 gallons. During wet weather periods the flow is as much as 2,400,000 gallons per day.

The nominal capacity of the disposal works is stated to be 3,000,000 gallons daily.

As the sewage flows to the disposal plant it is first treated with small quantities of lime and perchloride of iron and then flows through one of the two baffled settling basins. These basins are approximately 249 feet by 111 feet by 4 feet inside dimensions. The total effective capacity of each of these basins is 415,000 gallons. Each basin contains 5 longitudinal baffles spaced about 9 feet apart and the sewage is thus made to travel a distance of about 1,373 feet before it is siphoned off into the outlet.

On an average the period of sedimentation in each basin is about 6.5 hours, and the linear velocity of flow is about 3.5 feet per minute. The sewage flows through only one basin at a time.

Near the outlet of each basin the sewage passes through screens having a clear mesh of 1 inch, then into a siphon which discharges into a brick sewer, horseshoe

thence eastwardly along the said line midway between Eastern parkway and Union street to the westerly line of New York avenue; thence southwardly along the westerly line of New York avenue to its intersection with a line midway between Union and President streets; thence westwardly along the said line midway between Union and President streets to the easterly line of Rogers avenue; and thence northwardly along the easterly line of Rogers avenue to the point or place of beginning.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen, the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn, The Bronx and Richmond and the Acting President of the Borough of Queens—16.

CONSTRUCTION OF GARAGE ON PARK LANDS ON WEST SIDE OF RIVERSIDE DRIVE, 100 FEET NORTH OF ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIRST STREET, MANHATTAN.

The President of the Borough of Manhattan asked unanimous consent for the present consideration of a communication from the Superintendent of Buildings for the Borough of Manhattan to the President of the Borough of Manhattan, requesting advice as to what disposition he shall make relative to the erection of a garage on the west side of Riverside drive, 100 feet north of One Hundred and Sixty-first street, on property which was laid out as a public park.

No objection being made, the following communication was presented:

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF BUILDINGS
FOR THE BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN,
No. 220 FOURTH AVENUE,
January 30, 1908.

Hon. JOHN F. AHEARN, President of the Borough of Manhattan:

DEAR SIR—Sometime since, at your request, we withheld final action on plan known as No. 1064, New Building, of 1906, for the erection of a warehouse on the west side of Riverside drive, 100 feet north of One Hundred and Sixty-first street, because the property was to be acquired by the City for a public park.

The architect claims that this is not so; that The City of New York has rescinded all action in the matter.

May I ask you to advise me at once what disposition I shall make of this case?

Respectfully,
EDW. S. MURPHY, Superintendent.

On motion, the matter was referred to the Comptroller.

SEWERS IN BRIGHTON AVENUE, PINE STREET, HUDSON STREET AND FIRST AVENUE, BOROUGH OF RICHMOND.

The President of the Borough of Richmond asked unanimous consent to have the matter of sewers in Brighton avenue, between York avenue and Webster avenue; in Pine street, between Brighton avenue and Brook street; in Hudson street, between Brighton avenue and First avenue; and in First avenue, between Pine street and Jersey street, Borough of Richmond, placed upon the next Public Improvement Calendar.

No objection being made, the Secretary was instructed to place the matter upon the calendar of the meeting to be held on February 14, 1908.

After disposing of financial and franchise matters, the Board adjourned to meet Friday, February 7, 1908, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon.

JOSEPH HAAG, Secretary.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT.

(PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT MATTERS.)

Minutes of meeting of Board of Estimate and Apportionment, City of New York, held in Room 16, City Hall, Friday, February 7, 1908.

The Board met in pursuance of adjournment.

Present—George B. McClellan, Mayor; Herman A. Metz, Comptroller; Patrick F. McGowan, President, Board of Aldermen; John F. Ahearn, President, Borough of Manhattan; Bird S. Coler, President, Borough of Brooklyn; Louis F. Haffen, President, Borough of The Bronx; Joseph Bermel, President, Borough of Queens, and George Cromwell, President, Borough of Richmond.

The Mayor, Hon. George B. McClellan, presided.

After disposing of financial and franchise matters the Board proceeded to the consideration of the following public improvement matters:

CONTRACT AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR DIAGONAL VIADUCT FROM THOMSON AVENUE TO JACKSON AVENUE, QUEENS.

The Comptroller asked unanimous consent for the present consideration of the matter of the approval by the Board of the contract and specifications for the substructure of the diagonal viaduct at or near Van Dam street, to Jackson avenue, opposite the Blackwells Island Bridge, in the Borough of Queens, which was laid over at the meeting held on January 10, 1908.

No objection being made, the following resolution was then adopted:

Resolved, That the contract and specifications made between the Pennsylvania Tunnel and Terminal Railroad Company, successor to the Pennsylvania-New York and Long Island Railroad Company, and the Degnon Realty and Terminal Improvement Company, submitted to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment by the Chief Engineer of the said railroad company under date of December 20, 1907, in accordance with the provisions of Articles II. and VI. of the agreement between The City of New York and the said railroad company, dated June 21, 1907, which said contract and specifications are to include the foundations and substructure of the diagonal viaduct from Thomson avenue to Jackson avenue, forming an approach to the Blackwells Island Bridge, be and they hereby are approved.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen and the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn, The Bronx, Queens and Richmond—16.

(Contract and specifications approved above were printed in the Public Improvements minutes of January 10, 1908.)

ACQUIRING TITLE TO PROPERTY AT CENTRE AND WALKER STREETS, MANHATTAN, FOR RAPID TRANSIT PURPOSES.

The Comptroller asked unanimous consent for the present consideration of a communication from the Corporation Counsel, requesting the Board to amend its resolution of November 22, 1907, relative to the advancement of opening proceedings.

No objection being made, the following communication was presented:

CITY OF NEW YORK—LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL,
NEW YORK, February 5, 1908.

In re Rapid Transit Subway, Centre and Walker Streets.

The Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of your Board, held on November 22, 1907, a resolution was adopted requesting the Corporation Counsel "not to advance any opening proceedings heretofore authorized, where Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment have not been appointed, or any similar proceedings hereafter authorized, beyond having the necessary maps prepared, until otherwise instructed by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment."

This resolution, in my opinion, requires me to withhold compliance with the resolution adopted by the Public Service Commission, First District, on December 17, 1907, requesting the institution of proceedings on behalf of The City of New York to acquire for rapid transit purposes title in fee to eight lots situated at the southeast corner of Centre and Walker streets, Manhattan, and also a permanent and a temporary easement on a portion of another lot fronting on the southerly side of Walker street, adjoining the lots first described.

My attention has been called by a communication from George S. Coleman, Esq., Counsel to the Public Service Commission, under date of January 13, 1908, to the necessity for the immediate acquisition of title to these lands. Mr. Coleman, in his communication, states that:

"This property is to be acquired for the City for the purposes of the Brooklyn and Manhattan loop lines, the contract for the construction of which was made by The City of New York with the Degnon Contracting Company on May 9, 1907. This contract contains the covenant on the part of the City that it will acquire the necessary real estate and begin and conduct proceedings therefor with due diligence and put the contractor in possession of such real estate within three months from the delivery of the notice by the contractor that such real estate is necessary."

"The contractor has given notice in this case and under the contract became entitled to possession of this property about August 1, 1907. Negotiations for the purchase of the property, undertaken with the property owners, proved unsuccessful, and a proceeding to condemn an easement was instituted but later withdrawn, when it was found to be necessary to condemn the fee. The contractor, I am informed, claims to have carried the excavation along other portions of the route to such an extent that he is now delayed because of failure to be put in possession of this property."

If, under these circumstances, it should seem to you to be proper that the proceeding in question be instituted, I beg to suggest that the resolution of November 22, 1907, be amended so as to except the same therefrom; and I would further suggest that the conditions relating to this proceeding seem to be sufficiently urgent to require the action of your Board thereon at its next meeting, to be held on Friday, February 7, 1908.

Respectfully yours,
F. K. PENDLETON, Corporation Counsel.

The following resolution was then adopted:

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment, on November 22, 1907, adopted a resolution requesting the Corporation Counsel not to advance any opening proceedings heretofore authorized, where Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment have not been appointed, or any similar proceedings hereafter authorized, beyond having the necessary maps prepared, until otherwise instructed by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment; and

Whereas, The Public Service Commission, First District, on December 17, 1907, adopted a resolution requesting the institution of proceedings on behalf of The City of New York to acquire for rapid transit purposes title in fee to eight lots situated at the southeast corner of Centre and Walker streets, Borough of Manhattan, and also a permanent and a temporary easement on a portion of another lot fronting on the southerly side of Walker street, adjoining the lots first described; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, deeming it for the public interest so to do, hereby authorizes the Corporation Counsel to institute proceedings on behalf of The City of New York to acquire for rapid transit purposes title in fee to said eight lots, situated at the southeast corner of Centre and Walker streets, Borough of Manhattan, and also a permanent and a temporary easement in a portion of another lot fronting on the southerly side of Walker street, adjoining the lots first described.

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, the President of the Board of Aldermen and the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn, The Bronx, Queens and Richmond—16.

The President of the Board of Aldermen moved that when the Board adjourns it adjourn to meet on Friday, February 14, 1908, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon.

The Board then adjourned to meet Friday, February 14, 1908.

JOSEPH HAAG, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS.

TENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS FOR THE BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN AND QUEENS, INCLUDING FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE OLD CITY (NOW BOROUGH) OF BROOKLYN, FOR THE YEAR 1907.

The Commissioner's Report of the Work of the Department of Parks for the Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens for the Year 1907.

Office of the Department of Parks,
Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens,
Litchfield Mansion, Prospect Park,
Brooklyn, December 31, 1907.

Hon. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, Mayor of The City of New York:

Dear Sir—In compliance with the provisions of the Charter I send you herewith the report of work undertaken and accomplished in this department for the year just closed.

I have the honor to remain,

Very truly yours,

M. J. KENNEDY, Commissioner.

The efforts of the Department of Parks for the Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens during the year just closed were mainly directed toward the improvement and betterment of the various parks under its jurisdiction.

Prospect Park.

Prospect Park, the most important pleasure ground in the system, received the greatest amount of attention.

For some years past the forest trees which form the chief attraction of this park have been greatly impaired and reduced by the injurious effect of disease and other causes. During the past few years, however, the American chestnut trees, one of the most numerous species of our forest trees, were attacked by a fungus, which, although vigorously combatted by all means known to the forester, has practically exterminated these trees. Systematic efforts to save the chestnuts by cutting off diseased limbs and branches brought no relief, and while the forces of the department were directed towards the removal of the dead trees, in order to check the spread of the fungus,

this could not be accomplished. As a result there were lost in this park alone over fourteen hundred (1,400) trees, all of which have been cut down and made into cordwood. To replace this loss there were planted during the year ten hundred and fifty-three (1,053) young and vigorous trees and over thirty-two hundred (3,200) flowering and other shrubs. Over four thousand (4,000) trees were trimmed, filled and treated. Large areas of turf which had become worn and vitiated were recoated with mould and seeded, or, where necessary, sodded, upward of one hundred and forty-three thousand (143,000) square feet of sod being used for this purpose and twelve thousand two hundred and sixty-eight (12,268) cubic yards of mould were delivered and spread.

The floral displays were not lost sight of, thirty-two thousand eight hundred and twenty-five (32,825) flowering plants being set out during the proper seasons.

Late in the fall about fifty thousand (50,000) bulbs—tulips, hyacinths, crocus, narcissus, etc.—were put into the ground to furnish next year's outdoor spring and Easter display.

The roadways throughout the park suffered greatly, especially in spring and early summer, from the excessive automobile traffic. It was found necessary to resurface about two-thirds of the entire road system with Hudson River gravel, and in some instances the roads had to be practically rebuilt. The remainder of the roadways were carefully repaired and kept in satisfactory condition. Before the advent of the automobile with its inflated tires, excessive weight and speed, the average length of life of our park roads exceeded three years. Now it is hard to keep any macadam or gravel road in good condition for even a single season without constant repairs and renewals. It is no exaggeration to say that the cost of road maintenance has increased fully one hundred (100) per cent. during the last three years.

Another disagreeable feature of the use of our parks and parkways by automobiles is the dust nuisance. Previous to the year 1907 the Department used the old method of laying dust—the sprinkling cart—merely going over the roads more frequently and extending the hours for sprinkling. During the latter part of 1907 a commercial compound, consisting mainly of crude oil, bitumen, etc., chemically transformed into an emulsion, was used. This compound was mixed with water and spread on the road surface at intervals of from one to two weeks. The results of this experiment were satisfactory, the road surface being not only free from dust, but also made impervious to the action of water during rainy weather. The odor from the compound was not disagreeable and disappeared almost entirely within a day or two after application.

The question of properly and adequately paving the paths in a large park has long been an open one. Prospect Park some fifteen years ago had an asphalt plant of its own, which provided all the pavement for the paths, such as it was. Later on it was deemed advisable, on account of the continued expense and the poor results obtained in laying the pavement, to abandon the plant and have the work done by concerns making a specialty of asphalt paving. This seemed to work fairly satisfactory for a number of years, but as the asphalt pavement became older numerous cracks appeared in its surface, and it began to disintegrate very rapidly. Experimentally a considerable area in the Flower Garden and near the music stand was paved with asphalt tiles some eighteen or twenty years ago, and this pavement has stood a test of very hard usage successfully. In view of all the foregoing it was decided to adopt the asphalt tile pavement as a standard for park walks, and consequently arrangements were made during the summer to repave the worn-out walks in Prospect Park in a systematic manner. It was assumed that it would be unwise to tear up any large portions of the park at any one time, and therefore a contract was let for the paving of one hundred and forty thousand (140,000) square feet, which work was practically finished by the end of the year. It is the intention to continue this work until the entire park walks are provided with this durable and slightly pavement.

The work of replacing the obsolete cobble and stone gutters flanking the park roads was continued, some three thousand (3,000) linear feet of substantial brick gutters being laid on concrete foundation.

The boathouse and its equipment, with the approach to same, were entirely finished, and have been used by the public throughout the season. The section adjoining and surrounding this building has been entirely remodeled, several new walks being built and the place thoroughly drained and otherwise improved.

The swanboat lake near the picnic grounds, originally a fine sheet of water, has long been in an unsightly and dilapidated condition. This lake, as well as the brook line forming its outlet, was cleaned of all weeds, scum, etc., the shore line was rebuilt with stone, the edges were sodded and the lawns and plantations surrounding it were resoiled. A new walk between the picnic ground and the lake was laid out and subgraded, and is to be finished before the summer of 1908.

The ornamental granite steps on the Fifteenth street side of the park were fully completed and are in use. The slopes near the steps were regraded, covered with top-soil and sodded.

A new shelter for men, just inside of the main entrance to Prospect Park, was completed and opened to the public.

A temporary frame building of simple design has been erected on the shore of the lake for the use of skaters. It is furnished with all necessary equipment and appurtenances, and is so arranged that it can be taken apart and stored away during the summer, it being intended to keep this house in commission only during the skating season and to remove it when skating ceases.

The menagerie was extended by the addition of five (5) new cages with concrete floors and rock backing.

West Plaza street, forming a portion of Prospect Park Plaza, between Flatbush avenue and Union street, was resurfaced with gravel; repairs to gutters and the adjoining block pavements were likewise made.

The work of resoiling the park was continued from time to time throughout the season. It is expected that much good will result from this work. Large sections of the plantations of the park were gone over, cleaned, pruned and the trees generally put into healthy and attractive condition.

Pursuant to the policy of ornamenting the various entrances of Prospect Park, the Department decided early in the year, after the money for this purpose had been allowed by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, to adopt a design for the entrance at the junction of Fifteenth street and Prospect Park West, which had been submitted by McKim, Mead & White. It was approved by the Art Commission, and a contract for its execution was let at an estimated cost of eighteen thousand four hundred dollars (\$18,400). The contractor has erected some of the work, while the remainder is being cut at his shops. It is expected that this entrance will be fully completed by June 1, 1908.

Forest Park.

The new golf house was fully completed with light, water, lockers, furniture, etc., and thrown open to the public. The permanent water supply system is in course of construction, and should be completed within a few weeks. The roads throughout the entire park were resurfaced with limestone screenings and rolled. They are now in excellent condition. The golf links received particular attention, new greens were constructed, and the course otherwise greatly improved. The greenhouses largely supplied the other parks with flowering plants. The nursery is in a flourishing condition and will be of great benefit to the park system in raising trees and shrubs. The old building formerly used as a clubhouse by the Golf Club and the barn adjoining same were removed. Considerable grading, sodding, seeding, etc., was done in the vicinity of the new golf house.

Highland Park.

The roads throughout this park were recoated with gravel and screenings. A large number of trees were removed and cut into cordwood. A new aquatic garden was laid out in the spring and planted with water lilies and other aquatic plants. Both it and the large flower garden adjoining attracted much attention throughout the spring and summer on account of the unusually fine display. The paths, lawns, gutters, etc., were kept clean and neat throughout the season.

Fort Greene Park.

This park, one of the oldest in the City, is one of the most difficult to keep in good condition. It is located in the midst of a dense population, a large share of which frequents the park almost daily.

The Prison Ship Martyrs' Monument is now in course of erection in this park, and the resultant debris does not add to the attractiveness of the place. The Department has spent a good deal of time and money in an endeavor to keep the park pre-

sentable, but conditions are such that it will be necessary to practically remodel the park as soon as the Martyr's Monument is completed. It needs, above all, a new drainage system, new walks and considerable planting of trees and shrubbery. In spite of all difficulties, the place is kept in a fairly attractive condition.

City Park.

City Park, within a short distance of Fort Greene Park, received unusual attention during the year. A considerable area in this park was remodeled, new soil being purchased and spread, and a number of trees and shrubs were set out, pruned and otherwise put in first class condition.

Red Hook Park.

This park when originally constructed received but a scanty allotment of soil. As a result, the lawns, trees and other vegetation did not flourish, and it became evident that additional soil would have to be provided so as to put the park in a satisfactory condition. Accordingly two thousand (2,000) cubic yards of top soil were purchased and spread on the lawns and otherwise distributed. The trees and shrubs were cared for, and a number of summer flowering plants were maintained through the season. Besides this work, the park was accorded the usual maintenance, such as cutting grass, cleaning walks, etc.

Carroll Park.

Carroll Park, one of the older parks in the Borough, was thoroughly overhauled, over six thousand (6,000) square feet of grass sod were laid, the trees and shrubs pruned and cleaned, and the park was otherwise kept in attractive condition.

Winthrop Park.

This park for several years past showed the lack of good, nutritious soil. Efforts have been made from time to time to stimulate the growth of the trees by fertilization, but without effect. It was finally decided that the park would have to be resoiled, and a contract was let for the delivery of six thousand (6,000) cubic yards of good top soil. It is expected that all this soil will be delivered and spread before May 1, 1908. In the meantime, no efforts were spared to maintain the park in good condition. Trees were sprayed, cleaned, watered and cultivated. Those that had outlived their usefulness were removed. Fifteen thousand (15,000) square feet of grass sod were laid, mainly along the borders of the walk. A contract has also been awarded to pave the walks with asphalt tiles, and when all of these improvements are completed, it is intended to replant the entire park and put it in first class condition.

Cooper Park.

Cooper Park, while in a fairly good condition, also shows evidences of the lack of nourishing soil. A contract has been entered into to supply this park with one thousand (1,000) cubic yards of soil. The walks in the park are now composed of cinders covered with gravel, and are hard to maintain. As a substitute, the walks will be repaved with asphalt tiles, a contract for this purpose having been awarded. The park was kept in attractive condition throughout the year; trees and shrubs have been cultivated and pruned, grass cut, and the other usual maintenance accorded it.

Bushwick Park.

This park, located in a densely populated section of the Borough, was constructed on what was formerly a sand hill, and insufficient soil retarded the growth of the trees and shrubbery. A contract has been let to supply this park with two thousand (2,000) cubic yards of soil, which will be applied where most needed. The gravel walks will be replaced with an asphalt tile pavement, and the park will be generally remodeled and improved. The attendance in the park is very large, and repairs to lawns, edges, etc., are numerous. Over ten thousand (10,000) square feet of grass sod were laid during the year, and a large number of shrubs were planted.

Irving Square.

This park was maintained in good condition throughout the year. Over four thousand (4,000) square feet of grass sod were laid where needed, and all the trees in and about the park were cleaned, pruned, sprayed and cultivated. A contract for the paving of the present cinder and gravel walks in this park with asphalt tiles has been awarded.

Saratoga Park.

This park was carefully looked after. All the trees and the shrubbery were gone over and treated. A number of oriental planes were planted, and preparations were completed to plant a number of planes during the coming spring planting season. Arrangements have also been made to pave the present gravel walks with asphalt tiles.

Lincoln Terrace.

Lincoln terrace received the usual maintenance, such as pruning and cultivating trees and shrubbery, cutting of the grass, cleaning of the walks, etc. Up to date this park had no permanent pavement of its walks.

Linton Park.

This park is located in the old Twenty-sixth Ward of the Borough of Brooklyn, a rapidly growing section. It was thoroughly overhauled during the season and is in excellent condition.

Institute Park.

Institute Park, formerly known as the East Side Lands, is located to the east of Prospect Park, and separated from it by Flatbush avenue. By an act of the Legislature it is to be made into a botanic garden and arboretum, and become an adjunct to the Brooklyn Museum of Arts and Sciences, the building of which occupies the northerly portion of this park. It has received careful attention throughout the year and presents a clean, healthy and wholesome appearance.

Willink Entrance.

A contract was let to grade and lay sidewalks and inclose a portion of the ground known as the Willink entrance, which is contiguous to the southern end of the park. This work has been carried to completion, and makes safe these grounds pending their final development for park purposes.

Bedford Park.

Bedford Park was thoroughly overhauled and a new drainage system installed therein. A number of dead trees have been removed, and young and healthy trees planted instead. This park contains a building occupied as a children's museum, under the auspices of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences. The building has been kept in thorough repair.

Tompkins Park.

Tompkins Park is one of the older parks of the system, and contains a branch of the public library. As a result it is probably one of the most frequented breathing spots in the Borough. Last summer one of the lawns was turned into a playground for the smaller children, and the innovation has proven successful and will be continued during the coming year. The trees and shrubs were pruned, cleaned and sprayed and the park otherwise kept in fine condition.

Parade Ground.

The Parade Ground adjoining Prospect Park to the south, while originally purchased for a parade ground for the National Guard, is now mainly devoted to outdoor sports. A new building, recently erected to accommodate the devotees of baseball, football, cricket, etc., was put into use at the beginning of the season, and has been greatly appreciated by the public. It contains lockers and dressing rooms, shower baths, and all modern conveniences. The gravel walks surrounding this plot of ground, which contains upwards of forty (40) acres, has been replaced with a concrete sidewalk and a concrete curb has been set to confine the property. The abutting areas of lawn have been resoiled and graded, and several drinking fountains have been set up. The Park Police, formerly quartered in the Litchfield mansion, Prospect Park, have been provided with quarters in the Parade Ground building, and are now occupying the same.

Seaside Park.

One of the newest parks in the system, located at the foot of the Ocean parkway, forms one of the principal attractions at Coney Island. The park has been thoroughly

improved, over fifteen hundred (1,500) yards of top soil were spread, and a number of new trees and shrubs were set out. The concrete walk on the southerly boundary of the park proper, which was started last year, was completed early in the spring, and added greatly to the attractiveness of the park. In order to further arrest the inroads of the ocean, a new jetty five hundred (500) feet in length has been constructed, together with approaches, stone wall, concrete steps, and an asphalt walk around the inside of the bulkhead. The bulkhead itself was strengthened by the addition of thirty-five hundred (3,500) cubic yards of boat stone, which was placed immediately in front of and on both sides of the bulkhead. The number of tents furnished by this Department on the beach was greatly added to, and the use of the same was thoroughly appreciated by thousands of mothers and children.

Sunset Park.

This park is as yet in an unfinished condition. A commodious new shelter house of pleasing design was erected and opened to the public. The walks are being paved with asphalt tiles, and other improvements of a permanent nature are under way, among which is a contract for cement sidewalks on the Forty-fourth street and part of the Seventh avenue sides.

McKinley Park.

McKinley Park, likewise, is in an unfinished condition. Plans and specifications for a shelter house have been prepared, and it is expected that the work of constructing same will be started in the spring. A number of dead and decayed trees have been removed from the interior of the park, and a considerable number of new trees have been planted on the streets surrounding same.

Bensonhurst Park.

This park located on Gravesend Bay, has been kept in excellent condition throughout the season. The roads and paths have been repaired, trees and shrubbery pruned, and the beach cleaned and kept attractive.

Dyker Beach Park.

Very little has been done in this park towards its ultimate completion. One road, about three-quarters of a mile in length, bisects the northern portion of the park and affords a link of communication between the Bensonhurst and Fort Hamilton sections of the Borough. This road has been resurfaced with gravel and is now in fine condition.

Fort Hamilton Park.

A considerable number of young and vigorous trees have been set out in the park, and portions of the lawns have been regraded, sodded and seeded.

Amersfort Park.

Amersfort Park, in the Flatbush section of the Borough, is as yet unfinished, although open to the public. Its trees, shrubs and lawns have been carefully looked after and present a creditable appearance.

Fulton Park.

Fulton Park likewise remains unfinished. Plans and specifications have been prepared for a shelter, and its construction advertised, but the bids received exceeded the amount of the appropriation, and no award could be made. The park is planted with trees and shrubbery, and arrangements have been made to pave the walks with asphalt tiles, and the sidewalks surrounding the park with cement.

Canarsie Park.

Canarsie Park is located on Jamaica Bay, in what was formerly the town of Canarsie. Little work has been done in this park toward bringing it to completion. Arrangements have been made to set up gymnastic apparatus and use a portion of the park as a playground.

Greenpoint Park.

Greenpoint Park is as yet unfinished. After the removal of the buildings formerly encumbering this site, a small force of men was put to work to clean off and grade the sidewalks surrounding the park, as well as removing the objectionable features within the park area. An iron rail fence has been erected at an expense of seven thousand four hundred and seventy dollars (\$7,470). Beyond this work, and maintaining the two playgrounds within the park, no construction was performed.

Small Parks.

The small parks and gores scattered throughout the Borough—such as City Hall Park, Columbia Heights Parks, Cuyler Park, Underhill Park, Cooper Gore, Woodpoint Gore, etc.—and the fountains at Bedford avenue have been carefully looked after, and floral displays of unusual attraction were had in all of them.

Playgrounds.

Small playgrounds are located in Greenpoint Park, New Lots Playground at Christopher street, Sackman street and Riverdale avenue; and under the Williamsburg Bridge between Bedford avenue and Berry street. All the playgrounds have been fully equipped as far as the means at the disposal of the Department would permit, and are in charge of competent instructors and attendants. They have been frequented by large numbers of boys and girls, and have had a beneficial effect upon them.

McLaughlin Park.

During the early part of the year the work was resumed on the construction and completion of McLaughlin Park. This work called for a large amount of cement work inside and outside of the park, the construction of railings and foundation for same, grading and topsoiling of the entire area; also the construction of two playgrounds with running tracks. The work was finished during the summer and opened to the children for athletic purposes. A contract was awarded during the fall to Spalding & Brothers of New York for three thousand six hundred and fifty dollars (\$3,650), for furnishing a complete and up-to-date open air gymnasium outfit. Part of this apparatus has been set up and completed, and the balance will be finished and delivered by February 10, 1908.

A contract was advertised and awarded for the supplying of topsoil and the planting of trees and shrubbery. This contract, however, has not been certified, and consequently no work has been done.

Small Parks in Queens.

Kings Park.

This park, in the old town of Jamaica, has received considerable attention during the year. A large number of dead trees were removed, and the remaining ones have been pruned and cleaned of insects. New concrete sidewalks have been constructed around the park, and considerable grading was done in conjunction with this work. A contract has been awarded for the paving of the entire walk system with asphalt tiles.

Ashmead Park.

This triangle in the vicinity of Kings Park has been carefully looked after.

Flushing Park.

This park received much attention throughout the year. The trees, some of which are very old and fine, have been pruned and cleaned, and the park otherwise kept in a very clean and attractive condition.

College Point Park and Poppenhausen Square in College Point have likewise been greatly improved. A number of trees and flowering plants have been set out in both places. The fences have been painted, and the lawns and walks kept in good condition.

Linden Park.

Linden Park in Corona was greatly improved during the year. Several large dead trees have been removed and cut up, and a considerable number of young trees have been set out around the lake. The walks and lawns were carefully looked after, and the park to-day is in fine condition.

Rainey Park.

Rainey Park in the Astoria section, Borough of Queens, is as yet unimproved. Arrangements have been made to have same surveyed and mapped, and early in

the spring plans will be effected for its improvement. At the present time, in order to make safe the sidewalk on the front of the park, a contract was let for the laying of a new cement sidewalk. This work will be undertaken just as soon as the weather permits.

Kissena Park.

During the latter part of the year a tract of land in the former town of Flushing, known as Kissena Park, was turned over to this Department. Beyond the placing of a watchman to protect the City's property, nothing has been done towards its development. There are a number of buildings on the site, and the Sinking Fund Commission has been requested to dispose of the same at public auction.

The small gores in Long Island City received the usual attention and care.

Parkways.

Owing to the extensive use of all of our parkways by automobiles, the work of maintaining the roads in good condition was a difficult one.

Ocean Parkway was practically resurfaced from end to end. That portion between Prospect Park and Bay Parkway received a coating of Hudson River road gravel, averaging four inches in thickness, and was then rolled with steam rollers. The portion between Kings Highway and Coney Island was resurfaced with three-quarter inch trap rock and trap rock screenings and likewise rolled with steam rollers. The westerly traffic road was patched up and repaired wherever required, and cleaned at regular intervals. The bicycle paths were partly resurfaced with limestone screenings and rolled. The bridle road on the east side of the parkway was harrowed, cleaned, repaired and kept in good condition throughout its length. That portion of the main road popularly known as the Speedway, which is surfaced with loam, and lies between Bay Parkway and Kings Highway, was carefully looked after. It was harrowed and watered daily during the season, and repairs were made whenever and wherever necessary.

I have on several occasions made application to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to furnish sufficient money wherewith to pave the westerly traffic road of this parkway properly. It is now macadamized, and the exceedingly heavy business traffic between Brooklyn and Coney Island is crowded into this narrow roadway, making it very difficult to maintain in a satisfactory way. Complaints have been numerous regarding this road, and while the Department has made every effort to keep it in good condition, it has been impossible to do so.

A number of the trees planted along the parkway at the time of its construction have decayed and some of them died. Steps were taken early in the spring to remove the dead and affected trees and replace them with good healthy specimens. It was also noticed that one of the principal reasons for the unsatisfactory condition of the trees was the lack of good nourishing soil. All this has been remedied along a large portion of the parkway, and altogether one hundred and sixty-eight (168) old silver maples and twenty-two (22) sugar maples were cut out; while the number of trees planted throughout the year aggregated six hundred and eighteen (618).

Topsoil to the amount of nearly four thousand (4,000) cubic yards was used for this improvement, principally for the tree holes and the elevation and raising of the borders between the bicycle paths and the curb, and the entire section between the Coney Island bridge and Neptune avenue.

Eastern Parkway—The main roadway of this parkway between Prospect Park and Ralph avenue was partly recoated with gravel; other sections were merely repaired and patched. The entire road surface was kept in good condition throughout the year. The repaving of the traffic roads with asphalt and asphalt tiles was completed early in the spring. These roads now present a very fine appearance, and the middle drive is much easier to maintain, since it is possible to divert the heavy traffic to the asphalt side roads.

A great deal of work and attention was given to the trees and planting spaces. Twenty-six (26) young trees were planted and cared for and over three hundred (300) trees were scraped, cleaned, cultivated and watered during the dry season. Ninety (90) dead and decayed trees were removed, and preparations made for replacing the same in the spring. Fifty thousand (50,000) square feet of grass sod were laid, and the lawn strips in general were properly cared for.

Eastern Parkway Extension, between Ralph and Bushwick avenues, the middle portion of which is paved with macadam, while the sides are of asphalt, has been greatly improved. About one-half of the macadam portion of the roadway has been resurfaced, and the remainder repaired. A contract has been awarded for the repairs to the asphalt, but the same not having been certified, this work has been delayed and will not be done until next year.

Pennsylvania Avenue—The roadway of Pennsylvania avenue which was formerly paved with brick, and in the course of its ten years of existence had become dilapidated and full of holes, was repaved with asphalt from Jamaica avenue to Sutter avenue, an area of fifteen thousand seven hundred and sixty (15,760) square yards, at a cost of twenty-four thousand six hundred and eighty-eight dollars and sixty cents (\$24,688.60).

Bushwick avenue, Pitkin avenue, Glenmore avenue and the other streets located in the Twenty-sixth Ward, as far as they are provided with a pavement, have been regularly cleaned, sprinkled and repaired. The unpaved streets have been kept as clean and neat as conditions permit.

Bay Parkway was thoroughly repaired, cleaned, sprinkled and kept free from weeds.

Fort Hamilton avenue, while nominally a parkway, is rapidly being transformed into a business thoroughfare. The pavement is macadam, and on account of the extremely heavy vehicular traffic and the frequent excavations made by builders in the roadway, it has been utterly impossible to keep the same in good repair. The Board of Estimate and Apportionment has been asked for money with which to lay a permanent pavement at least between Ocean Parkway and Sixtieth street, but it has not been allowed. Unless money is granted for this purpose and the work accomplished during the coming year, it will be impossible to keep this parkway in anything like decent condition. The repairs to the macadam pavement have been constant and numerous, but in spite of a large amount of labor accorded to it, this roadway does not compare with the other parkways. About fifty (50) new trees were planted along the parkway near McKinley Park.

Fourth Avenue Parkings—These park strips between Atlantic avenue and Sixtieth street are a source of constant trouble to the Department. A considerable amount of money has been expended in sodding, soil and planting these strips, but with the exception of that portion between Twenty-fifth and Sixtieth streets, this parking has been regarded as a failure. It is impossible to keep trespassers off the strips, and the shrubs are broken down, trees are destroyed and the grass worn off. Inasmuch as the proposed Fourth avenue subway will ultimately eliminate these park spaces, the Department has ceased to make any further expenditures, and has limited its efforts towards the preservation of the trees and shrubbery wherever existing.

The Shore Road and Bay Ridge Parkway—The portion of the Bay Ridge Parkway between First and Fourth avenues, which is the only section so far permanently improved, has been kept in fine condition throughout the season. The roadway was partly resurfaced, and a number of new trees were set out.

A contract was awarded for one hundred and sixty thousand (160,000) tons of riprap stone to form the base of the sea wall, which is to be about two and one-half miles in length, at a cost of eighty-six thousand four hundred dollars (\$86,400). Work will continue during the winter as far as possible and in the spring additional efforts will be made to complete it.

Care of Trees on City Streets.

From January 1 to September 16 the work of caring for the trees on the City streets of Brooklyn and Queens was prosecuted. On the latter date operations were discontinued for lack of funds. Systematic warfare was carried on against the principal insect enemies of our shade trees, with the result that five thousand five hundred and sixty-five (5,565) trees were sprayed, and seven thousand six hundred and three (7,603) trees were freed from insect egg masses. The usual other treatment was also continued and resulted in pruning seven thousand five hundred and eighty-three (7,583) trees; removing four hundred and seventy-one (471) dead and dangerous trees; destroying contagious diseases; cleaning, disinfecting and filling cavities in six hundred and forty-nine (649) trees; dressing one thousand three hundred and seventy-nine (1,379) wounded trees; transplanting one hundred and twenty-nine (129) trees; giving attention to three thousand eight hundred and seven (3,807) requests for inspection and advice, and other work of a similar nature. Extensive work was done in some of the towns to combat the ravages of the elm leaf beetle and other insects,

and through careful inspection many trees were saved from destruction by workmen in laying sidewalks, moving houses, etc.

The amount allowed for this work—twenty-thousand dollars (\$20,000)—was exhausted in September, and the men engaged in the work were transferred to Prospect Park. With the increased amount allowed for 1908 much more and better work can be done.

The following is a summary of the work done to the trees in the City streets:

Kind of Work.	Brooklyn.	Queens.	Total.
Removed	382	89	471
Trees trimmed	2,901	4,682	7,583
Sprayed	3,943	1,622	5,565
Scraped	4,840	2,763	7,603
Cemented	391	258	649
Dressed	1,215	164	1,379
Transplanted	129	....	129
Requests received	3,549	780	4,329
Requests attended to	3,057	750	3,807

Music.

The concerts in Prospect Park began on June 2 and closed on September 29. It was the intention to open the season with a concert by the United German Singers in conjunction with the Twenty-third Regiment Band, but the weather being unfavorable the band concert was given, and on the following Sunday the German Singers rendered a fine programme. That organization also closed the season on September 29. During the season thirty-six concerts were given in Prospect Park and forty-seven in the smaller parks, as follows:

Highland, thirteen (13); Fort Greene, eleven (11); Winthrop, three (3); Red Hook, two (2); Irving Square, two (2); Flushing, three (3); Saratoga, two (2); Bushwick, two (2); Sunset, three (3); College Point, two (2); Kings Park, two (2), and Corona, two (2).

The United German Singers, in addition to the two concerts at Prospect Park, gave two (2) at Highland and one (1) at Saratoga Park.

Picnics, Baseball, Tennis, Golf, Etc.

During the year five hundred and seventy-six (576) picnics were held in Prospect Park, with an aggregate attendance of sixty-three thousand two hundred and forty-five (63,245). Over seventeen hundred (1,700) permits were issued to play tennis in Prospect Park; fourteen hundred and twenty (1,420) for golf at Forest Park, and one hundred and sixty (160) permits to play croquet in Prospect Park.

Thirty-one hundred and forty (3,140) permits were issued for baseball on the Parade Grounds. There were nineteen hundred and seventy-four (1,974) games of baseball played; four hundred and eight (408) games of football; one hundred and ninety-three (193) games of cricket. The Public School Athletic League and the Young Men's Christian Association each held a cross-country run on the Parade Ground. The Brooklyn Bowling Green Club played twenty-six (26) games on the Bowling Green.

Skating in the Park.

There were twelve (12) days of skating during the year. On January 25 the lakes were opened, there being five (5) inches or more of ice. Larger crowds than usual enjoyed the sport. On March 1 a thaw set in, and I deemed it advisable to close the lakes to the public. The skating, as above stated, began on January 25 and continued until January 31, and again from February 23 to February 28, closing finally on March 1.

Revenue.

During the year the sum of twenty-three thousand eight hundred and eighty-four dollars and twenty-one cents (\$23,884.21) was received for rent of houses, revenue from park privileges, sale of park property and bay window permits. This, with fifty-one dollars and eighty-two cents (\$51.82) interest allowed on deposit in bank, making a total of twenty-three thousand nine hundred and thirty-six dollars and three cents (\$23,936.03), was turned over to the City Chamberlain.

Donations of Animals, Plants, Etc.

The following donations were received for the conservatories and menagerie:

James E. Malone, No. 287 President street, one Yuca plant.

Thomas D. Hyatt, No. 93 Shelton avenue, Jamaica, a general collection of small greenhouse plants, 130 in all.

Edward W. Victor, No. 166 St. James place, one large Agapanthus blue, three Amaryllis bulbs.

Mrs. F. U. Hersey, No. 15 Cranberry street, five orchids, cattleya plants.

Mr. Arras, No. 443 Ninth street, one large oleander plant.

Mrs. Hulberg, No. 714 Union street, one large agave, 25 years old.

Rev. L. O. Rotenbach, No. 525 Macon street, one rubber and one Yuca plant.

Mrs. F. P. Gullzeit, No. 126 Clarkson street, one very fine Euphorbia

Estate of Major E. H. Hobbs, a collection of cacti, fifteen plants.

Mrs. William Romani, No. 416 Thirteenth street, one fig tree.

Mrs. Shepard, No. 960 Greene avenue, one large Ponderous palm.

Edward Wolz, Sixty-seventh street and First avenue, twelve stove plants, all good.

Mrs. Carter, No. 247 Carroll street, two rabbits.

Mr. Hornaday, Director of Bronx Zoo, two coati mundis.

Mr. Drake, No. 516 Monroe street, one raccoon.

Mr. Harris, No. 772 Third avenue, one red fox.

Mr. F. Healy, No. 166 Willoughby avenue, one coati mundi.

Mr. Whipple, No. 90 Prospect place, two alligators.

Messrs. Freeman & Freehoff, No. 468 Fulton street, one gray fox.

Mr. Kilgost, No. 25 Hamilton avenue, one ringtail monkey.

G. Shearer, No. 172 Franklin street, one raccoon.

Mrs. Hemlin, No. 506 East Fourteenth street, one poll parrot.

Unknown person, one ringtail monkey.

Mrs. Kidd, No. 431 Classon avenue, one trooper.

Central Park, two Dorset sheep.

A. W. Pohler, No. 76 Hewes street, one crow.

B. S. Van Zile, No. 518 Monroe street, two marmosets.

Mrs. S. Chikies, No. 923 Belmont avenue, two chipmunks.

W. Kirkland, No. 290 Clinton avenue, one mongoose.

M. S. Southwell, No. 175 Willoughby avenue, two guinea pigs.

Mrs. W. Ardley, No. 486 Lincoln avenue, two guinea pigs.

M. M. Antonius, No. 108 Newell street, one ringtail monkey.

E. C. Plunkett, No. 511 Twelfth street, one alligator.

Mr. J. Pfeign, No. 290 Lenox road, one ringtail monkey.

Bronx Zoo, four Canadian wild geese and one elk.

Abraham & Straus, Fulton street, two black bears.

WORK OF THE POLICE.

Annual Report in Relation to the Police Department.

Hon. MICHAEL J. KENNEDY, Commissioner of Parks, Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens:

Sir—I have the honor to herewith submit the annual report of the work accomplished by the men constituting the police force of the Seventy-third Precinct, Prospect Park, together with such other information in relation to games, etc., as may be of general interest and which comes under police supervision.

Police Force.

During the year the police force consisted of the following: One (1) Captain, five (5) Lieutenants, five (5) Sergeants, seventy-three (73) Patrolmen and one (1) Doorman. One Lieutenant and twelve Patrolmen are mounted on horses, of which two patrol Eastern parkway and ten patrol the park proper. Six are mounted on bicycles to patrol the principal drives and cycle paths around the park and Eastern parkway; fifty-five patrol Prospect Park, Plaza and Institute Park on foot. Total force, eighty-five (85).

Number of Arrests.

During the year there were three hundred and three (303) arrests made, as follows: Petit larceny, eleven (11); attempted suicide, one (1); felonious assault, two (2); assault, five (5); cruelty to animals, three (3); disorderly conduct, eighteen (18); fighting, two (2); grand larceny, one (1); indecent exposure, three (3); intoxication, twenty (20); malicious mischief, one (1); Motor Vehicle Law, seventy-eight (78); reckless driving, ten (10); vagrancy, eleven (11); violation of park ordinances, one hundred and thirty-one (131); robbery, six (6).

Accidents.

There were one hundred and twenty-one (121) persons aided by the police during the past year, of whom eighteen (18) were removed to hospitals, and one hundred and three (103) taken home.

Suicides.

There were three (3) suicides by shooting.

Lost Children.

There were forty-seven (47) lost children found wandering in the park, all of whom were restored to their parents.

Respectfully submitted,

LAWRENCE J. MURPHY,
Captain, Seventy-third Precinct.

Statement of Museums of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences.

The installation of collections in the second or central section of the Museum commenced in 1905, was continued throughout the year 1907. In the dome room, on the third floor, which is to be used exclusively to illustrate the art of the Italian renaissance, have been installed casts of the tombs of Lorenzo and Giuliano de Medici, with architectural settings; also casts of Michael Angelo's Moses, and the Captive and Slave. On the second, or Natural History, floor, two more large groups of mammals have been installed, one of the walrus and the other of the blue foxes.

The front steps and central approach to the Museum Building, which were completed in 1906 and turned over to the Institute on December 24 of that year, have been in use as a means of approach to the Museum, since the 1st of March, on Sundays and other legal holidays. Large numbers of visitors to the Museum have been admitted by the front portico. The completion of these steps adds very greatly to the impressive character of the Museum structure, and has helped to increase the attendance at the Museum. The two storage rooms, one on a level with the sub-basement (70 by 150 feet), and the other on a level with the basement floor (96 by 20 feet), have been in constant use for storage of collections arriving at the Museum and as workrooms for the Curators and their assistants.

The eastern wing or third section of the Museum, commenced in March, 1904, and in the process of construction during the years 1905 and 1906, was completed in September, 1907. During the months of October, November and December a beginning was made for the installation of collections in the galleries of the basement, first, second and third stories. On Saturday, December 14, the eastern wing of the Museum was dedicated to the purposes of a public museum of arts and sciences, and formally turned over to the Institute by the Hon. Michael J. Kennedy, Park Commissioner of the Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens, and by him declared to be open as public museum.

Plans and specifications for a part of the museum cases required by the enlargement of the Museum were prepared by the architects, McKim, Mead & White, and duly advertised. The contract for the furnishing of these cases was awarded by the Board of Park Commissioners on October 17 at seven thousand two hundred and forty-five dollars (\$7,245) to the Macey Company of New York. This contract now awaits certification by the City Comptroller before work on the cases can be commenced.

Forms of agreement for the establishment and maintenance of a botanic garden and astronomical observatory in Institute Park, as authorized by chapters 618 and 637 of the Laws of 1906, as finally prepared after a conference between the Park Commissioner of the Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens and officers of the Institute, were approved in January by the Board of Park Commissioners and by that Board forwarded to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for their action under the law. These forms of agreement are now pending before the Board of Estimate and Apportionment. The subscription of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for the equipment of the astronomical observatory and of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), the principal or interest of which may be used in providing plants for the botanic garden, made by friends of the Institute, are being held by the Institute and will be available as soon as the Board of Estimate and Apportionment takes the action contemplated in the two chapters of the Laws of 1906 referred to and approved by his Honor, Mayor McClellan.

The purchase of lands in the triangular plot east of the Museum, bounded by Washington avenue, Eastern parkway and Classon avenue, was completed during the year and the City's title to these lands was confirmed on November 25 before Mr. Justice Burr, and the custody of the lands is now in the hands of the City as an addition to its park area. The purchase of these lands prevents the erection of high or unsightly buildings in close proximity to the Museum, and prevents the cutting off of a view of the Museum from those who approach it from the east.

The Legislature of the State of New York, with the approval of the Mayor of New York and the Park Commissioner of the Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens, enacted three laws which relate to the museums of the Institute: (1) Chapter 43 of the Laws of 1907 is "An Act to amend the Charter of the City" so as to remove the restriction placed in the original Charter on the Board of Estimate and Apportionment and the Board of Aldermen in the amount that may be appropriated annually for the maintenance of the museums of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences to the sum of ninety-five thousand dollars (\$95,000). The City is now enabled to appropriate by its governing boards such sum as in their judgment seems to be wise and proper for the maintenance of the Institute museums.

(2) Chapter 120 of the Laws of 1907 is "An Act to authorize the erection of a fireproof Children's Museum Building in the Borough of Brooklyn, City of New York, in place of the present building, and the designation or acquisition of a site therefor and to provide for the care and maintenance of the same." This act authorizes the erection of a new building at a cost of not exceeding one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars (\$175,000), and makes provision for its care and maintenance.

Chapter 515 of the Laws of 1907 is "An Act to authorize The City of New York to acquire lands in Prospect Heights in the Borough of Brooklyn as sites for public buildings and to provide for the establishment and maintenance of public educational institutions." This law will enable the City to prevent the erection of unsightly or otherwise objectionable buildings about the Prospect Park plaza and along the Eastern parkway in front of the Institute Museum Building, and will also enable the City to prevent the erection of buildings nearer to the sidewalk than a line that may be approved by the City.

The appropriation by the City for the maintenance of the Museums of the Institute for the year 1907 was ninety-five thousand dollars (\$95,000), and this amount has been expended. The appropriation made by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for the year 1908 is the same as for the year 1907.

The contract for furnishing thirty monolithic sculptures to be placed on the facades of the Central Museum Building and for carving the pediment of the front portico of the building was made by the Park Commissioner of the Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens, with Mr. Daniel C. French, sculptor, in the early part of the year, the total cost of the thirty sculptures and the carving of the pediment, including

the fee of the architects, being one hundred and twenty-two thousand dollars (\$122,000). The subjects of the sculptures were selected by the Institute, approved by the architects, McKim, Mead & White, and accepted by the Commissioner of Parks of the Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens. Preliminary models, three feet in height, of twenty-four of the monolithic sculptures were examined in November by the architects of the building, by the Commissioner of Parks of the Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens, by the Committee on Art Museum and officers of the Institute and by the Art Commission of the City. The models were highly commended by all who saw them, and twenty-two that were submitted to the Art Commission were accepted by that Commission. The sculptures will be carved in the same stone as that of which the Museum Building is constructed, namely, Indiana limestone. They will be placed on pedestals above the pilasters and columns of the facades of the Museum and against the wall of the third or upper story. They will be twelve feet in height and will be in keeping with the design of the building.

As authorized by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, the Park Commissioner of Brooklyn and Queens entered into a contract with the architects of the Museum Building, Messrs. McKim, Mead & White, for the preparation of plans and a plaster model of the completed Museum Building early in the year, at a cost of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000); plans and plaster model to be completed within three years, said fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to serve as a payment to the architects of one per cent. (1%) on the cost of future sections of the Museum Building to be erected from time to time until the entire cost of said sections shall be equal to five million dollars (\$5,000,000), and said one per cent. (1%) to be one-fifth of the architects' commission on the building.

Through the generosity of members and friends of the Institute, a large number of accessions have been made to the collections in the two museums. On December 14 the Citizens Committee on the John B. Woodward Memorial presented to the Institute a bronze statue of General John B. Woodward, by Frederick MacMonnies, sculptor. General Woodward was a Trustee of the Institute for over twenty years, and President of its Board of Trustees for seven years just preceding his decease in 1896. He was President of the Board of Park Commissioners of the old City of Brooklyn, and his services both as a citizen and as a soldier to his state and to his country are fitly commemorated by this statue.

Mr. Henri de Morgan of Paris was engaged by the Institute during the months of December to April in the making of excavations in Egypt on behalf of the Institute, and as a result of his excavations he was able to send to the Museum very large and valuable collections in Egyptian archaeology. The expense of Mr. de Morgan's expedition was two thousand eight hundred and forty-seven dollars and fifty-eight cents (\$2,847.58), paid from the Museum Collection Funds contributed by members of the Institute.

The collection of sixty (60) oil paintings, twelve (12) water colors and other works of art bequeathed to the Institute by the late Caroline H. Polhemus were installed during the year. With this large and valuable gift has also been received by the Institute a bequest from Mrs. Polhemus of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), the income of which is applicable to the care and increase of the art collections bequeathed by her.

Other gifts to the Institute include the following: From the Hon. Carll H. De Silver, forty-two (42) pieces of Japanese pottery and other works of Japanese art; from Col. Robert B. Woodward, thirty-four (34) Ojimes to complete those previously presented, also a suit of armor from the Bunkio Matsuki collection; from Mr. A. Augustus Healy, an oil painting, by G. Belloni, entitled "Street Scene in Milan," and an oil painting; eighteenth century copy of Correggio's Madonna di San Girolamo, in the gallery at Parma; from Charles M. Higgins, busts of Aristotle and Epicurus; from Mr. William T. Evans, an oil painting, by Henry W. Ranger, entitled "Spring Woods"; from Mr. George Foster Peabody, an oil painting, by Eugene Verboeckhoven; from Mr. George A. Hearn, an oil painting, by Bruce Crane, entitled "March"; from Mr. Daniel K. de Beixedon, an oil painting, entitled "Jupiter and Antiope" (seventeenth century Flemish School); from Messrs. George C. Brackett and Alfred T. White, one Egyptian mortuary tablet (stele) and one Egyptian stele in black syenite; from Mr. E. Le Grand Beers, a Japanese war saddle with Burmese ritual for consecration of Buddhist priests; from Mr. Alfred T. White, one Egyptian stele in sandstone, one water color painting, by Henry P. Neuman, of Daibutsu, great bronze statue of Buddha at Kamakura, Japan, and one water color painting, by Hefrury P. Neuman, representing an ancient Egyptian relief, "Captives of Ramses II"; from the Rev. Alfred Duane Pell, six pieces of porcelain and seven pieces of glass; from Messrs. Carll H. De Silver and Robert B. Woodward, twenty-five (25) pieces of Japanese pottery.

Among the additions to the natural science departments of especial interest are the group of Atlantic walrus, presented by the Hon. Carll H. De Silver; the group of blue foxes, presented by the North American Commercial Company; a model of a whale from the American Museum of Natural History; four (4) glass models of animals, by M. B. S.; forty-three (43) mammals, birds and reptiles from the New York Zoological Society, and forty (40) skins of Long Island birds presented by Mr. Robert C. Murphy. The total number of donors was one hundred and one (101). Gifts to the Museum Libraries of books and pamphlets were received from one hundred and twenty-five (125) individuals and include ninety-six (96) bound and two hundred and eighty-one (281) unbound volumes.

The Institute received large and valuable loans of paintings and other works of art for exhibition; these include, from the Hon. Carll H. De Silver, an oil painting, by William M. Chase, entitled "An Antiquary Shop;" from Col. Henry T. Chapman, one hundred and seventy (170) pieces of ancient Chinese porcelain and Japanese ceramics, one portrait of Mr. John Roberts, by Richard Wilson, and one oil painting; from the estate of Henry P. Martin, one hundred and thirty-four (134) oil paintings; from Mr. J. Franklin Wilson, a collection of laces; from Commodore F. G. Bourne, a marble statue "The Hewer," by George Gray Barnard; from Mr. Samuel P. Avery, seventy-nine (79) pieces of cloisonne, two (2) pieces of Chinese cloisonne, and one ceremonial sceptre; from Mr. N. Sanborn, an oil painting, by Th. Rousseau; from Mr. H. T. Haustein, twenty-seven (27) carved Chinese ivories with teakwood stands, three (3) fan-boxes and one mat for photograph frame; from Mrs. H. J. Fairchild, an oil painting entitled "Niagara," by Louis Remy Mignot; from the Hon. Charles A. Schieren, eleven (11) oil paintings; from Mrs. E. Le Grand Beers, East Indian and other dolls, and Japanese and other fans; and from Mr. George Foster Peabody, an oil painting entitled "Storm at Sea," by Peterson.

The Institute received about one thousand (1,000) accessions to its collections by exchange with other museums and with collectors. Accessions to the collections of individual objects through purchases made with the Museum Collection Funds, contributed by members of the Institute, and with the income of endowment funds, number eighty-two (82). Among the objects thus purchased were an oil painting, entitled, "The Midnight Moon," by Elliott Daingerfield, from the income of the John B. Woodward Memorial Fund; thirty (30) pieces of ancient jewelry, from the Ella C. Woodward Memorial Fund, and large collections of ethnological objects from New Mexico and from the Pomo Indians of California.

Expeditions were made in the interest of the collections of the Central Museum, by Prof. William H. Goodyear, to France and Great Britain for the purpose of making photographs and collecting data for the Departments of Art and Architecture; by Mr. Stewart Culin, to Arizona, New Mexico and California, to make ethnological collections and secure data in relation thereto; and by Mr. George K. Cherrie to the Valley of the Orinoco, to secure collections of skins of birds, reptiles and mammals. All three of the expeditions were successful.

The attendance at the Children's Museum during the year was ninety-seven thousand two hundred and eleven (97,211), an increase over last year of eleven thousand two hundred and sixty-eight (11,268). The number of teachers visiting the Children's Museum with their classes, or to attend lectures, or to borrow material to illustrate their school work, or for work in connection with the instruction of their classes, was five hundred and ninety-two (592). The number of lectures given at the Children's Museum to children in the public and private schools was two hundred and thirty-four (234), and the attendance at these lectures was nineteen thousand and thirty-nine (19,039). The number of readers at the Children's Museum Library during the first eleven months of the year was twenty-eight thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight (28,858).

The attendance at the Central Museum was one hundred and sixty-six thousand eight hundred and eighty-four (166,884), an increase over the year 1906 of twenty-three thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven (23,837).

Financial Statement, Showing Amount Appropriated for Regular Maintenance, for Special Work, and Receipts from Rentals.

Title of Appropriation.	Appropriation for 1907			Outstanding on Contracts.	Balance.
	Transfers by Board of Estimate and A. Subsequent to Appropriation	Expenditure for 1907	Expenditure for 1907		
Administration	\$33,700 00	\$33,700 00	\$32,400 00	.....	\$1,300 00
Labor, maintenance and supplies	645,000 00	645,000 00	625,901 05	18,907 90	191 05
Care of trees in City streets	20,000 00	20,000 00	19,864 96	38 00	97 04
Maintenance of museums	95,000 00	95,000 00	76,463 59	.....	18,536 41
Music	13,864 00	13,864 00	13,770 00	.....	94 00

Bond Accounts (Revenue Bonds).

Title of Appropriation.	Amount of Appropriation.	Expenditures.	Outstanding on Contracts.	Balance.
Revenue Bond Fund for Department of Parks, maintenance of parks, parkways, playgrounds, etc., deficiency in appropriation 1907, Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens	\$177,585 00	\$109,580 17	\$14,193 40	\$53,811 43
Revenue Bond Fund for Department of Parks, Brooklyn and Queens, maintenance of parks, parkways, playgrounds, etc., deficiency in appropriation 1906	4,328 11	2,643 35	.....	1,684 76
Revenue Bond Fund for Department of Parks, Brooklyn and Queens, maintenance new parks, parkways and drives, 1906	31 30	.....	.....	31 30
Revenue Bond Fund for Department of Parks, Brooklyn and Queens, resowing trees in Prospect Park, 1906	1,055 79	1,045 32	.....	10 47
Revenue Bond Fund for maintenance of parks, parkways and playgrounds under the jurisdiction of the Department of Parks, Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens, 1905	1,022 08	.....	.....	.....
Revenue Bond Fund for expenses incidental to the contemplated public observance on the occasion of unveiling the statue of Major-General Henry W. Slocum, at Eastern parkway and Bedford avenue, Borough of Brooklyn, New York	636 71	.....	.....	636 71
Revenue Bond Fund for labor, maintenance and supplies for the Commissioner of Parks for the Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens	55 54	.....	.....	55 54

Bond Accounts (Corporate Stock).

Title of Appropriation.	Amount of Appropriation.	Expenditures.	Outstanding on Contracts.	Balance.
Improvement of parks, parkways and drives, Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens	\$76,016 25	\$43,388 83	\$858 57	\$31,768 85
Improvement and construction of parks, parkways, playgrounds, boulevards and drives, Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens	37,056 09	36,872 08	103 00	81 01
Completion of Shore road, between First avenue and Fort Hamilton, Borough of Brooklyn	1,875,120 15	19,407 87	86,675 00	1,769,037 28
Construction of playgrounds and purchase of gymnasium equipment for boys and girls, and laying sidewalks and interior walks, McLaughlin Park	35,412 38	30,357 91	3,075 11	1,979 36
Construction of shelter house with toilet accommodations, Fulton Park	10,014 22	61 20	.....	9,953 02
Repaving Pennsylvania avenue with asphalt on concrete foundation	25,292 10	22,595 40	.....	2,696 70
Laying concrete walks on west side of Prospect Park, from Fifth street to Fifteenth street	7,902 07	7,610 80	.....	291 27
Construction of approaches to the new boathouse in Prospect Park and a platform or ramp on the lake side of boathouse, as designed in original plans of the architect	35,301 72	33,276 39	.....	2,025 33
Construction of new entrance to Prospect Park at Fifteenth street and Ninth avenue	25,031 10	3,798 80	15,536 50	5,695 80
Construction of comfort station for men on park land in the vicinity of main entrance to Prospect Park	12,102 21	9,110 33	2,975 00	16 88
Construction of shelter house on tennis grounds, Prospect Park	50,014 22	102 00	.....	49,912 22
Purchase of topsoil, trees and shrubbery for Amersfort Park	1,505 06	58 33	.....	1,446 73
Construction of comfort station on children's playgrounds at New Lots	6,014 22	81 60	.....	5,932 62
Construction of stone shelter house and comfort station, Winthrop Park	25,014 22	109 14	.....	24,905 08
Construction of temporary fence and regulating and grading Williamsburg Park	25,000 00	3,174 75	4,295 25	17,530 00
Regrading and cleaning up extension to Institute Park, opposite Willink entrance to Prospect Park	5,000 00	3,965 25	1,034 75	.....
Laying of asphalt sidewalks, interior of Sunset Park	24,000 00	.....	19,220 00	4,780 00
Construction of shelter house and comfort station, Sunset Park	35,185 38	28,951 06	5,629 84	604 48
Construction of new comfort house, City Park	12,000 00	.....	.....	12,000 00
Construction of concrete sidewalks east of Seaside Park and purchase of topsoil and shrubbery for said park	4,486 69	4,486 69	.....	.....
Construction of additional greenhouses for use in propagation of plants, etc., Forest Park	6,563 57	6,280 09	.....	283 48
Construction of water tower, pumping station and mains to connect with golf clubhouse, Forest Park	7,514 22	3,191 16	4,323 06	.....
Laying asphalt tile walks, interior of Kings Park, Jamaica	11,000 00	.....	10,400 00	600 00
Laying new sidewalks where required around Kings Park, Jamaica	3,470 33	3,400 00	.....	70 33
Construction of lockers and interior furnishings, new boathouse, Prospect Park; athletic building on parade ground, and golf house in Forest Park	15,118 61	13,391 13	1,638 00	89 48
Repaving and resurfacing portion of Glenmore avenue with asphalt on concrete foundation	40,568 86	38,175 30	.....	2,393 56
Excavating, regrading, repaving with asphalt block on concrete foundation, resurfacing and supplying manholes and catch basins, two traffic roads alongside of Eastern parkway, from Prospect Park plaza to the intersection of Pitkin avenue, Ralph avenue and Eastern Parkway Extension	181,112 52	169,088 85	.....	12,023 67
Construction of additional timber jetty, Seaside Park, Coney Island	18,303 10	15,700 00	.....	2,603 10
Purchase and delivery of 4,500 cubic yards of stone for use on bulkhead at end of Coney Island parkway	15,894 81	11,907 43	3,053 37	934 01
Completion of shelter house and comfort station, Fulton Park	3,020 00	.....	.....	3,020 00
Improvement of New Lots playground	2,030 40	.....	.....	2,030 40
Improvement of Winthrop Park	7,547 90	.....	.....	7,547 90
Completion of tennis house, Prospect Park	17,458 30	.....	.....	17,458 30
Construction of water pumping plant, Forest Park	7,500 00	.....	2,923 94	4,576 06
Construction of shelter house and locker house, McLaughlin Park	60,000 00	.....	.....	60,000 00
Construction of shelter house and comfort station, McKinley Park	7,500 00	.....	.....	7,500 00

Title of Appropriation.	Amount of Appropriation.	Expenditures.	Outstanding on Contracts.	Balance.
Construction of shelter house, sidewalks and iron fences, laying out of playgrounds, grading of banks, resoilng, etc., in Highland Park.	25,000.00	.....	.....	25,000.00
Construction of stone wall and sidewalks, planting trees and shrubbery and topsoiling in Sunset Park.	50,000.00	.....	3,113.77	46,886.23
Removing picnic grounds, house and carousal in Prospect Park.	10,000.00	.....	.....	10,000.00
Resoilng trees in Prospect Park.	20,000.00	8,313.62	4,493.88	7,282.50
Preliminary work in the construction of Canarsie Park.	2,500.00	.....	.....	2,500.00
Improvement of Rainey Park.	19,000.00	.....	917.60	18,082.40
Improvement of Eastern parkway.	35,000.00	.....	.....	35,000.00
Construction and improvement of drives, etc., and resoilng parks, etc.	166,749.42	17,374.85	119,466.64	29,907.93

Balances from 1901. Bond Account (Brooklyn's Balances).

Title of Appropriation.	Amount of Appropriation.	Expenditures.	Outstanding on Contracts.	Balance.
Park Site and Improvement Fund.	\$763.27	.....	.....	\$763.27
Museum of Arts and Sciences Fund.	424.87	.....	.....	424.87
Memorial Arch Fund.	18.47	.....	.....	18.47
Park Purchase Fund.	115.15	.....	.....	115.15
County Street Improvement Fund.	728.91	.....	.....	728.91
County Improvement of Streets (additional).	52.74	.....	.....	52.74

Special Account.

Title of Appropriation.	Amount of Appropriation.	Expenditures.	Outstanding on Contracts.	Balance.
Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences, Borough of Brooklyn, Plans of Museum Building, etc.	\$50,000.00	.....	.....	\$50,000.00
Museum of Arts and Sciences Fund, Erection of and Addition.	223,999.00	\$92,083.01	\$110,815.28	21,100.71
Maintenance and Improvement of Public Parks on Brooklyn Heights, Borough of Brooklyn.	1,375.19	.....	.....	1,375.19
Revenue from Rents and Privileges.				
Prospect Park.		\$19,770.00		
Forest Park.		312.94		
Shore road and Bay Ridge parkway.		1,096.86		
Furman street.		550.08		
Kings Park.		1.00		
Sale of sheep, horses, etc.		\$1,946.60		
Bay window and ornamental projections.		207.63		
		2,154.23		
				\$23,884.21

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, January 21, 1908, at 2 o'clock p. m.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of January 14, 1908, were read and approved.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the week ending January 9, 1908, was received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Two communications from the Comptroller, dated January 9, stating that on December 26 and 27, 1907, the sums of \$51,022.38 and \$5,102.24, respectively, were deposited to the credit of the Additional Water Fund, were received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated January 17, 1908, stating that requisite forms of a uniform tax bill to be used on all vouchers for payment of taxes on property owned by the City, had been forwarded for use by this Commission, was received and ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to conform thereto.

Communication from H. T. Dykman, dated January 20, 1908, with reference to action by the Town of North Salem against the City relative to the width of highways constructed by the City in said town, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated January 18, 1908, requesting statement showing the date of acquisition, compensation paid, and outline map of parcels of land under the control of this Commission, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Communication from the Secretary, Board of Estimate and Apportionment, dated January 16, 1908, transmitting resolution adopted by said Board fixing grade and compensation of position of Engineman, was received and ordered filed.

The Chief Engineer orally reported that pursuant to instructions of the Commissioners he had conferred with the Chief Engineer of the Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity with regard to the completed structures under the jurisdiction of the Aqueduct Commissioners and that at the suggestion of Chief Engineer de Verona the matter had been deferred for further consideration.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, January 28, 1908, at 2 o'clock p. m.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of January 21, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 18777 to 18798, inclusive, amounting to \$2,513.82, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the week ending January 16, 1908, was received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1668 of the Chief Engineer, dated January 28, 1908, in regard to communication from the Comptroller, dated January 18, 1908, relative to a statement showing all property under jurisdiction of Commissioners, date of acquisition, consideration paid, etc., was received and ordered filed and the President directed to communicate with the Comptroller in reference thereto.

Report No. 1669 of the Chief Engineer, dated January 28, 1908, requesting that the Corporation Counsel be asked to obtain possession of certain property required in connection with the construction of the Croton Falls Reservoir, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to communicate with the Corporation Counsel in accordance with said report.

Communication from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated January 27, 1908, certifying the names of employees having passed promotion examination to Transitman, was received and ordered filed, and in connection therewith the following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That Louis H. Piser and Patrick A. Keane be and hereby are promoted to the grade of Transitman, with salaries at the rate of \$1,650 per annum each, to take effect February 1, 1908, they having been certified by the Municipal Civil Service Commission on January 27, 1908, as eligible for such promotion.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Communication from Abram J. Miller, dated January 22, 1908, in regard to the minimum amount of water to be allowed to flow past the diverting dam to be constructed on the East Branch of the Croton River, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer in connection with previous communications on the same subject.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Aqueduct Commissioners' Office,
Room 207, No. 280 Broadway,
New York, February 21, 1908.

Abstract of amount of expenditures and liabilities of the Aqueduct Commissioners during the month of January, 1908, as required by section 39, chapter 490, Laws of 1883:

	Expenditures.
Salaries, Commissioners and employees.	\$20,562.10
Traveling and incidental expenses.	529.92
Stationery.	217.79
Extra work at New Croton Dam.	398.39
Horses and wagons and their maintenance.	1,751.62
Fencing around reservoirs, etc.	23.00
Books, maps and drawings.	36.00
Heating headquarters.	200.00
Drawing materials, etc.	27.50
	\$23,746.32
Monthly estimates of amounts due contractors for work done under contract, Cross River and Croton Falls Reservoirs.	52,934.01
Total expenditures.	\$76,780.33

	Liabilities.
Rent.	\$1,875.00
Salaries, Commissioners and employees.	15,606.38
Traveling and incidental expenses.	648.30
Taxes on land.	2,572.22
Stationery.	16.90
Drawing materials and field implements.	92.26
Books, maps and drawings.	166.64
Horses and wagons and their maintenance.	199.60
Heating headquarters.	42.60
Furniture and fixtures.	25.86
	\$21,245.76
Monthly amounts of estimates due contractors for work done under contract, Cross River and Croton Falls Reservoirs.	62,098.40
Total liabilities.	\$83,344.16

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct and true abstract of account of the expenditures and liabilities of the Aqueduct Commissioners during the month of January, 1908, the said account being on file in the office of the Comptroller of The City of New York.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

BOROUGH OF RICHMOND.

LOCAL BOARD, STATEN ISLAND DISTRICT.

Meeting, February 18, 1908, 10.30 a. m.

Present—Aldermen Rendt and Cole, President Cromwell.

The minutes of the meeting of January 21 were approved.

Petition 80A. (Resolution 7.)

To open a new street from Gray street to Gordon street, Ward Two, Sewer District 3. First hearing.

The following resolution was moved by Alderman Rendt and was adopted:

Whereas, A petition for a local improvement described below has been received by the President of the Borough of Richmond, etc.

Resolved, That this Board does hereby initiate proceedings for the said local improvement, to wit:

To open an unnamed street to extend from the northerly terminus of Gray street to Gordon street, Second Ward, Borough of Richmond, as laid out on the map or plan of The City of New York.

And it is hereby

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted forthwith to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval.

Affirmative—Alderman Rendt, Alderman Cole, President Cromwell.

Negative—None.

Petition 812.

To pave, curb, gutter and sidewalk parts of Fiske avenue and Indiana avenue, Westerleigh, Ward One. First hearing.

Referred to the Commissioner of Public Works to report.

Petition 814. (Resolution 8.)

To pave and repair sidewalks in parts of Jewett avenue and Davis avenue, Ward One. First hearing.

In relation to Jewett avenue, referred to the Commissioner of Public Works to report.

In relation to Davis avenue the following resolution was moved by Alderman Rendt, and was adopted:

Whereas, A petition for a local improvement described below has been received by the President of the Borough of Richmond, etc.

Resolved, That this Board does hereby initiate proceedings for the said local improvement, to wit:

To construct bluestone or artificial stone sidewalks, where not already done, on the west side of Davis avenue, from Castleton avenue to DeKay street, in the First Ward of the Borough of Richmond.

Affirmative—Alderman Rendt, Alderman Cole, President Cromwell.

Negative—None.

Petition 811. (Resolution 9.)

To construct sewer in New York avenue, Ward Four, Sewer District No. 6 B. Second hearing.

The following resolution was moved by Alderman Rendt and was adopted:

Whereas, A petition for a local improvement described below has been received by the President of the Borough of Richmond, etc.

Resolved, That this Board does hereby initiate proceedings for the said local improvement, to wit:

To construct a combined sewer in New York avenue, from the Fingerboard road to Wadsworth avenue, with all necessary appurtenances, being within Sewer District No. 6 B, in the Fourth Ward of the Borough of Richmond.

And it is hereby

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted forthwith to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval.

Affirmative—Alderman Rendt, Alderman Cole, President Cromwell.

Negative—None.

Petition 811. (Resolution 9.)

Petition 813. (Resolution 10.)
To construct sewer in Erastina place, Ward Three, Sewer District No. 18 A. First hearing.

The following resolution was moved by Alderman Cole and was adopted:

Whereas, A petition for a local improvement described below has been received by the President of the Borough of Richmond, etc.

Resolved, That this Board does hereby initiate proceedings for the said local improvement, to wit:

To construct a temporary combined sewer, with the necessary appurtenances, in Erastina place, from a point about one hundred and sixty (160) feet north of the Staten Island Rapid Transit Railroad right-of-way, to and connecting with the proposed sewer in Central avenue, being within the district known as Sewer District No. 18 A, in the Third Ward of the Borough of Richmond.

And it is hereby

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted forthwith to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval.

Affirmative—Alderman Rendt, Alderman Cole, President Cromwell.

Negative—None.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

MAYBURY FLEMING, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

The Board of Education has entered into contracts with the following-named contractors during the week commencing February 17, 1908:

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The J. W. Pratt Company, No. 52 Duane street.....	The Title Guaranty and Surety Company, No. 277 Broadway.
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Heywood Bros. & Wakefield Company, No. 120 Charlton street.....	The Metropolitan Surety Company, No. 38 Park row.
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Theo. B. Thompson, No. 817 Broadway.....	Aetna Indemnity Company of Hartford, No. 68 William street.
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Keuffel & Esser, No. 127 Fulton street.....	The Title Guaranty and Surety Company, No. 277 Broadway.
Thomas Wallace, No. 899 Union avenue, The Bronx.....	The Title Guaranty and Surety Company, No. 277 Broadway.
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R. W. Geldart, No. 2 Stone street.....	The Empire State Surety Company, No. 34 Pine street.
Parker P. Simpkins, No. 3 East Fourteenth street.....	The Empire State Surety Company, No. 34 Pine street.
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The Baker & Taylor Company, No. 33 East Seventeenth street.....	Empire State Surety Company, No. 34 Pine street.
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FRED H. JOHNSON, Assistant Secretary, Board of Education.



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Henry S. Thompson, Commissioner of Public Works.

Edward S. Murphy, Superintendent of Buildings.

James J. Hagan, Assistant Commissioner of Public Works.

George F. Scannell, Superintendent of Highways.

William J. Boyhan, Superintendent of Sewers.

BOROUGH OF QUEENS.

President's Office, Borough Hall, Jackson avenue and Fifth street, Long Island City; 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. Saturdays, 9 a. m. to 12 m.

Joseph Bermel, President.

Herman Ringe, Secretary.

Lawrence Gresser, Commissioner of Public Works.

Alfred Denton, Assistant Commissioner of Public Works.

James P. Hicks, Superintendent of Highways.

Carl Berger, Superintendent of Buildings.

Joseph H. De Braga, Superintendent of Sewers.

Lucien Knapp, Superintendent of Street Cleaning.

Office, No. 48 Jackson avenue, Long Island City.

Mathew J. Goldner, Superintendent of Public Buildings and Offices. Office, Town Hall, Jamaica.

Robert R. Crowell, Engineer Topographical Bureau.

Office, No. 252 Jackson avenue, Long Island City.

Telephone, 1000 Greenpoint.

BOROUGH OF RICHMOND.

President's Office, New Brighton, Staten Island.

George Cromwell, President.

Maybury Fleming, Secretary.

Louis Lincoln Tribus, Consulting Engineer and Acting Commissioner of Public Works.

John Seaton, Superintendent of Buildings.

H. E. Buel, Superintendent of Highways.

John T. Fetherston, Superintendent of Street Cleaning.

Ernest H. Seehusen, Superintendent of Sewers.

John Timlin, Jr., Superintendent of Public Buildings and Offices.

George W. Tuttle, Principal Assistant Engineer, Bureau of Engineering—Topographical.

Theodor S. Oxholm, Principal Assistant Engineer, Bureau of Engineering—Construction.

Offices—Borough Hall, New Brighton, N. Y., 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. Saturdays, 9 a. m. to 12 m.

Telephone, 1000 Tompkinsville.

CORONERS.

Borough of The Bronx—Corner of Third avenue and Tremont avenue. Telephone, 1250 Tremont and 1402 Tremont.

Robert F. McDonald, A. F. Schwannecke.

THE COURTS.

APPELLATE DIVISION OF THE SUPREME COURT.

FIRST JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Court-house, Madison avenue, corner Twenty-fifth street. Court opens at 1 p.m. Edward Patterson, Presiding Justice, George L. Ingraham, Chester B. McLaughlin, Frank C. Laughlin, John Proctor Clarke, James W. Houghton, Francis M. Scott, Justices; Alfred Wagstaff, Clerk; William Lamb, Deputy Clerk.

Clerk's Office opens at 9 a.m.

Telephone, 3840 Madison Square.

SUPREME COURT-FIRST DEPARTMENT.

County Court-house, Chambers street. Court open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Special Term, Part I. (motions), Room No. 16. Special Term, Part II. (ex parte business), Room No. 13.

Special Term, Part III., Room No. 19. Special Term, Part IV., Room No. 20. Special Term, Part V., Room No. 33. Special Term, Part VI. (Elevated Railroad cases), Room 31.

Trial Term, Part II., Room No. 34. Trial Term, Part III., Room No. 22.

Trial Term, Part IV., Room No. 21. Trial Term, Part V., Room No. 24.

Trial Term, Part VI., Room No. 35. Trial Term, Part VII., Room No. 23.

Trial Term, Part VIII., Room No. 27. Trial Term, Part IX., Room No. 26.

Trial Term, Part X., Room No. 28.

Trial Term, Part XI., Room No. 37.

Trial Term, Part XII., Room No. 26.

Trial Term, Part XIII., and Special Term, Part VII., Room No. 36.

Appellate Term, Room No. 29.

Naturalization Bureau, Room No. 38, third floor.

Assignment Bureau, room on third floor.

Clerks in attendance from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Clerk's Office, Special Term, Part I. (motions), Room No. 15.

Clerk's Office, Special Term, Part II. (ex parte business), room southwest corner, mezzanine floor.

Clerk's Office, Special Term, Calendar, room south east corner, second floor.

Clerk's Office, Trial Term, Calendar, room north east corner, second floor, east.

Clerk's Office, Appellate Term, room southwest corner, third floor.

Trial Term, Part I. (criminal business).

Criminal Court-house, Centre street.

Justices—Charles H. Truxa, Charles F. MacLean, Henry Bischoff, Jr., Leonard A. Giegerich, P. Henry Dugro, Henry A. Gildersleeve, James Fitzgerald, David Leventritt, James A. O'Gorman, James A. Blanchard, Edward S. Clinch, Samuel Greenbaum, Edward E. McCall, Edward B. Amend, Vernon M. Davis, Victor J. Dowling, Joseph Newburger, John W. Goff, Samuel Seabury, M. Warley Platzek, Peter A. Hendrick, John Ford, Charles W. Dayton, John J. Brady, Mitchell L. Erlanger, Charles L. Guy, James W. Gerard.

Peter J. Dooling, Clerk, Supreme Court.

Telephone, 4580 Cortlandt.

SUPREME COURT-SECOND DEPARTMENT.

Kings County Court-house, Borough of Brooklyn, N.Y.

Court open daily from 10 o'clock a.m. to 5 o'clock p.m. Seven jury trial parts. Special Term for Trials. Special Term for Motions.

James F. McGee, General Clerk.

Telephone, 5460 Main.

CRIMINAL DIVISION-SUPREME COURT.

Building for Criminal Courts, Centre, Elm, White and Franklin streets.

Court opens at 10:30 a.m.

Peter J. Dooling, Clerk; Edward R. Carroll, Special Deputy to the Clerk.

Clerk's Office open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Telephone, 666 Franklin.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Held in the Building for Criminal Courts, Centre, Elm, White and Franklin streets.

Court opens at 10:30 a.m.

Thomas C. T. Crain, Otto A. Rosalsky, Warren W. Foster, Thomas C. O'Sullivan, Edward Swann, Joseph F. Mulqueen, James T. Malone, Judges of the Court of General Sessions. Edward R. Carroll, Clerk.

Clerk's Office open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

During July and August Clerk's Office will close at 2 p.m., and on Saturdays at 12 m.

CITY COURT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

No. 32 Chambers street, Brownstone Building, City Hall Park, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Part I.

Part II.

Part III.

Part IV.

Part V.

Part VI.

Part VII.

Part VIII.

Special Term Chambers will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Clerk's Office open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Edward F. O'Dwyer, Chief Justice; John Henry McCarty, Lewis J. Conlan, Theodore F. Hascall, Francis B. Delehanty, Joseph I. Green, Alexander Finelite, Thomas F. Donnelly, John V. McAvoy, Peter Schmuck, Justices. Thomas F. Smith, Clerk.

Telephone, 6142 Cortlandt.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS.

Building for Criminal Courts, Centre street between Franklin and White streets, Borough of Manhattan.

Court opens at 10 a.m.

Justices—First Division—John B. McLean, William E. Wyatt, Willard H. Olmsted, Joseph M. Deuel, Lorenz Zeller, John B. Mayo, Charles W. Culkin, Clerk; William M. Fuller, Deputy Clerk.

Clerk's Office open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Telephone, 2092 Franklin, Clerk's office.

Telephone, 661 Franklin, Justice's chambers.

Second Division—Trial Days—No. 171 Atlantic avenue, Brooklyn, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 10 o'clock; Town Hall, Jamaica, Borough of Queens, Tuesdays at 10 o'clock; Town Hall, New Brighton, Borough of Richmond, Thursdays at 10 o'clock.

Justices—Howard J. Forker, Patrick Keady, John Fleming, Morgan M. L. Ryan, Robert J. Wilkin, George J. O'Keefe; Joseph L. Kerrigan, Clerk; John J. Dorman, Deputy Clerk.

Clerk's Office, No. 171 Atlantic avenue, Borough of Brooklyn, open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

CHILDREN'S COURT.

First Division—No. 66 Third avenue, Manhattan.

Edmund C. Lee, Clerk.

Telephone, 5353 Stuyvesant.

Second Division—No. 102 Court street, Brooklyn.

William F. Delaney, Clerk.

Telephone, 627 Main.

CITY MAGISTRATES' COURT.

First Division.

Court opens from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

City Magistrates—Robert C. Cornell, Leroy B. Crane, Peter T. Barlow, Matthew P. Breen, Joseph F. Moss, James J. Walsh, Henry Steinert, Daniel E. Finn, Charles G. F. Wahle, Frederick B. House, Charles N. Harris, Frederic Kernochan, Arthur C. Butts, Otto H. Droege, Joseph E. Corrigan, Moses Herrman.

Philip H. Bloch, Secretary, One Hundred and Twenty-first street and Sylvan place.

First District—Criminal Court Building.

Second District—Jefferson Market.

Third District—No. 69 Essex street.

Fourth District—No. 151 East Fifty-seventh street.

Fifth District—One Hundred and Twenty-first street, southeastern corner of Sylvan place.

Sixth District—One Hundred and Sixty-first street and Brook avenue.

Seventh District—No. 314 West Fifty-fourth street.

Eighth District—Main street, Westchester.

Second Division.

Borough of Brooklyn.

City Magistrates—Edward J. Dooley, James G. Tighe, John Naumer, E. G. Higginbotham, Frank E. O'Reilly, Henry J. Furlong, Alfred E. Steers, A. V. B. Voorhees, Jr., Alexander H. Geismar, John F. Hyland.

President of the Board, Edward J. Dooley, No. 318 Adams street.

Secretary to the Board, Charles J. Flanigan, Myrtle and Vanderbilt avenues.

Courts.

First District—No. 318 Adams street.

Second District—Court and Butler streets.

Third District—Myrtle and Vanderbilt avenues.

Fourth District—No. 6 Lee avenue.

Fifth District—No. 249 Manhattan avenue.

Sixth District—No. 495 Gates avenue.

Seventh District—No. 31 Snider avenue (Flatbush).

Eighth District—West Eighth street (Coney Island).

Ninth District—Fifth avenue and Twenty-third street.

Tenth District—No. 133 New Jersey avenue.

Borough of Queens.

City Magistrates—Matthew J. Smith, Joseph Fitch, Maurice E. Connolly, Eugene C. Gilroy.

Courts.

First District—St. Mary's Lyceum, Long Island City.

Second District—Town Hall, Flushing, L. I.

Third District—Central avenue, Far Rockaway, L. I.

Borough of Richmond.

City Magistrates—Joseph B. Handy, Nathaniel Marsh.

Courts.

First District—Lafayette place, New Brighton, Staten Island.

Second District—Village Hall, Stapleton, Staten Island.

MUNICIPAL COURTS.

Borough of Manhattan.

First District—The First District embraces the territory bounded on the south and west by the southerly and westerly boundaries of the said borough, on the north by the centre line of Fourteenth street and the centre line of Fifth street from the Bowery to Second avenue, on the east by the centre lines of Fourth avenue from Fourteenth street to Fifth street, Second avenue, Chrystie street, Division street and Catharine street.

Wauhoo Lynn, William F. Moore, John J. Hover Justices.

Thomas O'Connell, Clerk; Francis Mangin, Deputy Clerk.

Location of Court—Merchants' Association Building, No. 70 Lafayette street. Clerk's Office open daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted) from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Additional Parts of Court are now held in No. 128 Prince street, Tenth street and Sixth avenue, and No. 59 Madison street.

Second District—The Second District embraces the territory bounded on the south by the centre line of Fifth street from the Bowery to Second avenue, and on the south and east by the southerly and easterly boundaries of the said borough, on the north by the centre line of East Fourteenth street, on the west by the centre lines of Fourth avenue from Fourteenth street to Fifth street, Second avenue, Chrystie street, Division street and Catharine street.

George F. Roesch, Benjamin Hoffman, Leon Sanders, Thomas P. Dinnean, Justices.

James J. Devlin, Clerk; Michael H. Looney, Deputy Clerk.

Location of Court—Nos. 264 and 266 Madison street. Clerk's Office open daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted) from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Telephone, 2596 Orchard.

Third District—The Third District embraces the territory bounded on the south by the centre line of Fourteenth street, on the east by the centre line of Seventh avenue from Fourteenth street to Fifty-ninth street and by the centre line of Central Park West from Fifty-ninth street to Sixty-fifth street, on the north by the centre line of Sixty-fifth street and the centre line of Fifty-ninth street from Seventh to Eighth avenue, on the west by the westerly boundary of the said borough.

Thomas E. Murray, James W. McLaughlin, Justices.

Michael Skelly, Clerk; Henry Merzbach, Deputy Clerk.

Location of Court—No. 314 West Fifty-fourth street. Clerk's Office open daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted) from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Telephone, 3450 Columbus.

Fourth District—The Fourth District embraces the territory bounded on the south by the centre line of East Fourteenth street, on the west by the centre line of Lexington avenue and by the centre line of Irving place, including its projection through Gramercy Park, on the north by the centre line of Fifty-ninth street, on the east by the easterly line of said borough; excluding, however, any portion of Blackwell's Island.

Michael F. Blake, William J. Boyhan, Justices.

Abram Bernard, Clerk; James Foley, Deputy Clerk.

Location of Court—Part I., No. 407 Second avenue, northwest corner of Second avenue and Twenty-third street. Part II., No. 151 East Fifty-seventh street. Clerk's Office open daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted) from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Telephone, 4570 Gramercy.

Fifth District—The Fifth District embraces the territory bounded on the south by the centre line of Sixty-fifth street, on the east by the centre line of Central Park West, on the north by the centre line of One Hundred and Tenth street, on the west by the westerly boundary of said borough.

Alfred P. W. Seaman, William Young, Frederick Spielberg, Justices.

James V. Gilloon, Clerk; John H. Servis, Deputy Clerk.

Location of Court—Broadway and Ninety-sixth street. Clerk's Office open daily

OFFICIAL PAPERS.

Morning—"The Sun," "The New York Times." Evening—"The Globe," "The Evening Mail." Weekly—"Democracy," "Real Estate Record and Guide."

German—"Staats-Zeitung."

Designated by the Board of City Record, January 22, 1906. Amended March 1, 1906, November 20, 1906, and February 20, 1907.

BOARD MEETINGS.

The Board of Estimate and Apportionment meets in the Old Council Chamber (Room 16), City Hall, every Friday, at 10:30 o'clock a. m. JOSEPH HAAG, Secretary.

The Commissioners of the Sinking Fund meet in the Old Council Chamber (Room 16), City Hall, at call of the Mayor.

N. TAYLOR PHILLIPS, Deputy Comptroller, Secretary.

The Board of Revision of Assessments meets in the Old Council Chamber (Room 16), City Hall, every Thursday at 11 a. m., upon notice of the Chief Clerk.

HENRY J. STORRS, Chief Clerk.

The Board of City Record meets in the Old Council Chamber (Room 16), City Hall, at call of the Mayor.

PATRICK J. TRACY, Supervisor, Secretary.

OFFICIAL BOROUGH PAPERS.

BOROUGH OF THE BRONX.

"North Side News," "Harlem Reporter and Bronx Chronicle," "Bronx Independent."

BOROUGH OF RICHMOND.

"Staten Island World," "Richmond County Herald."

BOROUGH OF QUEENS.

"Long Island Star" (First and Second Wards), "Flushing Evening Journal" (Third Ward), "Long Island Farmer" (Fourth Ward), "Rockaway News" (Fifth Ward).

BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN.

"Brooklyn Eagle," "Brooklyn Times," "Brooklyn Citizen," "Brooklyn Standard-Union," "Brooklyn Freie Presse."

BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN.

"Tammany Times" (Harlem District), "Manhattan and Bronx Advocate" (Washington Heights, Morningside Heights and Harlem Districts), "New York Daily News."

Designated by Board of City Record June 19, 1906.

Amended June 20, 1906; July 1, 1907; September 30, 1907; February 24, 1908.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, CORNER OF FIFTY-FIFTH STREET AND SIXTH AVENUE, BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, CITY OF NEW YORK, February 24, 1908.

AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH of the Department of Health, held February 19, 1908, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That section 183 of the Sanitary Code be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 183. It shall be the duty of all persons having in their possession bottles, cans or other receptacles containing milk or cream, which are used in the transportation and delivery of milk or cream, to clean or cause them to be cleaned immediately upon emptying.

No person shall use or cause or allow to be used any receptacle which is used in the transportation and delivery of milk or cream for any purpose whatsoever other than the holding of milk or cream; nor shall any person receive or have in his possession any such receptacle which has not been washed after holding milk or cream or which is unclean in any way.

A true copy.

EUGENE W. SCHEFFER, Secretary.

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MUNICIPAL CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

MUNICIPAL CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, No. 299 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, February 27, 1908.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that applications will be received from THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, UNTIL 4 P. M., THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 1908, for the positions of

JUNIOR ASSISTANT CORPORATION COUNSEL and DEPUTY ASSISTANT CORPORATION COUNSEL.

The examination will be held on

FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 1908,

at 10 a. m.

The subjects and weights of the examination are as follows:

Technical 7

Experience 3

The percentage required is 75 on the technical paper and 70 on all.

Candidates must be members of the bar at the time of making application, and should be familiar with the subjects of Negligence, Contracts, Evidence, Admiralty Law and Practice.

The salary for Junior Assistant is \$1,500 up to, but not including, \$2,250 per annum.

The salary for Deputy Assistant is \$2,250 up to, but not including, \$3,000 per annum.

The minimum age is 21 years.

F. A. SPENCER, Secretary.

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MUNICIPAL CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, No. 299 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, February 25, 1908.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that applications will be received from TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, UNTIL 4 P. M., TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 1908, for the position of

SEARCHER.

The examination will be held on

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 1908,

at 10 a. m.

The subjects and weights of the examination are as follows:

Duties 6

Experience 3

Arithmetic 1

The percentage required is 70.

The salary is \$1,200 per annum.

The minimum age is 21 years.

F. A. SPENCER, Secretary.

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The salary is \$1,800 to \$3,000 per annum. One vacancy exists in the Municipal Court, Brooklyn, at a salary of \$2,000 per annum.

The general dictation will be given at two rates of speed, viz.: 150 and 175 words a minute, the lower rate for the fourth grade, the higher for the fifth.

The second branch of the examination is taking notes of testimony, question and answer being read by different examiners and taken at such rate of speed as the candidate desires, providing that it is at a rate of less than 150 words per minute, and then read back, no transcript of this part of the examination being called for.

Candidates who wish to transcribe their notes on the typewriter should bring their own machines.

The minimum age is 21 years.

F. A. SPENCER, Secretary.

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MUNICIPAL CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, No. 299 BROADWAY, CITY OF NEW YORK.

PUBLIC NOTICE WILL BE GIVEN OF

all competitive examinations two weeks in advance of the date upon which the receipt of applications for any scheduled examination will close. Applications will be received for only such examinations as are scheduled.

When an examination is advertised, a person desiring to compete in the same may obtain an application blank upon request made in writing or by personal application at the office of the Commission.

All notices of examinations will be posted in the office of the Commission, City Hall, Municipal Building, Brooklyn, and advertised in the City Record for two weeks in advance of the date upon which the receipt of applications will close for any stated position.

Public notice will also be given by advertisement in most of the City papers.

Wherever an examination is of a technical character, due notice is given by advertisement in the technical journals appertaining to the particular profession for which the examination is called.

Such notices will be sent to the daily papers as matters of news, and to the General Post-office and stations thereof. The scope of the examination will be stated, but for more general information application should be made at the office of the Commission.

Unless otherwise specifically stated, the minimum age requirement for all positions is 21.

FRANK L. POLK, President;

R. ROSS APPLETON, ARTHUR J. O'KEEFE, Commissioners.

FRANK A. SPENCER, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION, NO. 148 EAST TWENTIETH STREET, BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES WILL BE RECEIVED by the Commissioner of Correction at the above office until 11 o'clock a. m. on

TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 1908.

Borough of Brooklyn.

FOR FURNISHING ALL LABOR AND MATERIAL REQUIRED TO INSTALL A COMPLETE NEW PLUMBING SYSTEM IN THE MALE PRISON AND ADMINISTRATION BUILDING OF THE KINGS COUNTY JAIL, RAYMOND STREET, BROOKLYN, N. Y.

The time for the completion of the work and the full performance of the contract is by or before 250 consecutive working days.

The amount of security required is 50 per cent. of the amount of the bid or estimate.

Bids will be compared and the contract awarded at a lump or aggregate sum.

Blank forms and further information may be obtained and the plans and drawings may be seen at the office of the Department of Correction, the Borough of Manhattan, No. 148 East Twentieth street.

JOHN V. COGGEY, Commissioner.

Dated February 25, 1908.

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See General Instructions to Bidders on the last page, last column, of the "City Record."

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS AND FERRIES.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS AND FERRIES, PIER "A," NORTH RIVER, NEW YORK, March 31, 1904.

THE COMMISSIONER HAS FIXED THE amounts of bonds required on contracts awarded by this Department, as follows:

On all contracts for supplies, 40 per cent. of the estimated cost;

On all contracts, other than contracts for supplies, where the estimated cost is not over \$200,000, 40 per cent. of the estimated cost;

On all contracts, other than contracts for supplies, where the estimated cost is over \$200,000, but not over \$1,000,000, 25 per cent. of the estimated cost;

On all contracts, other than contracts for supplies, where the estimated cost is over \$1,000,000, 20 per cent. of the estimated cost.

JOSEPH W. SAVAGE, Secretary.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO

the owner or owners of all houses and lots, improved or unimproved lands affected thereby, that the following proposed assessments have been completed and are lodged in the office of the Board of Assessors for examination by all persons interested, viz.:

BOROUGH OF THE BRONX.

List 9447, No. 1. Sewer and appurtenances in East One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, between Gerard avenue and Walton avenue.

BOROUGH OF QUEENS.

List 9455, No. 2. Recurbing and paving with asphalt pavement Jamaica avenue, from Boulevard to Steinway avenue.

List 9473, No. 3. Regulating, grading, curbing and laying crosswalks in Sixth avenue, from Jackson avenue to Graham avenue.

List 9493, No. 4. Regulating, grading, curbing, flagging and laying crosswalks in Ninth avenue, from Grand avenue to Flushing avenue.

List 9567, No. 5. Sewer in Hallett street, between Flushing and Hoyt avenues.

List 9568, No. 6. Sewer in North Henry street, between Flushing and Newtown avenues.

The limits within which it is proposed to lay the said assessments include all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land situated on—

No. 1. North side of One Hundred and Thirtieth street, from Gerard to Walton avenue.

No. 2. Both sides of Jamaica avenue, from Boulevard to Steinway avenue, and to the extent of half of the block at the intersecting streets and avenues.

No. 3. Both sides of Sixth avenue, from Graham avenue to Jackson avenue, and to the extent of half of the block at the intersecting streets and avenues.

No. 4. Both sides of Ninth avenue, from Grand avenue to Flushing avenue, and to the extent of half of the block at the intersecting streets and avenues.

No. 5. Both sides of Hallett street, from Hoyt avenue to Flushing avenue.

No. 6. Both sides of North Henry street, from Newtown avenue to Flushing avenue.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named proposed assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections, in writing, to the Secretary of the Board of Assessors, No. 320 Broadway, New York, on or before March 24, 1908.

ANTONIO ZUCCA,

PAUL WEIMANN,

JAMES H. KENNEDY,

Board of Assessors.

WILLIAM H. JASPER,

Secretary,

No. 320 Broadway,

City of New York, Borough of Manhattan,

February 27, 1908,

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

BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN.

List 9426, No. 1. Alteration and improvement to sewer in Thirty-ninth street, between the Hudson River and Eleventh avenue, and new outlet sewer under the pier at the foot of Thirty-ninth street.

BOROUGH OF THE BRONX.

List 9449, No. 2. Regulating, grading, curbing and flagging crosswalks

will be tested. The bids will be compared and the contract awarded at a lump or aggregate sum.

Delivery will be required to be made at the time and in the manner and in such quantities as may be directed.

Blank forms and further information may be obtained and the plans and drawings may be seen at the office of the Bureau of Public Buildings and Offices, the Borough of Brooklyn, No. 29 Municipal Building, Brooklyn.

BIRD S. COLER,
President.

Dated February 3, 1908.

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See General Instructions to Bidders on the last page, last column, of the "City Record."

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES, FOOT OF EAST TWENTY-SIXTH STREET, NEW YORK.

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR BIDS OR ESTIMATES.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES WILL BE received by the Department of Public Charities at the above office until 2:30 o'clock p. m. on

MONDAY, MARCH 9, 1908,

FOR THE PROVIDING OF ALL LABOR AND MATERIALS REQUIRED FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE ABANDONED CONTRACT OF THE CHURCH CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, DATED DECEMBER 12, 1905, FOR THE ERECTION AND ENTIRE COMPLETION OF THE NEW MUNICIPAL LODGING HOUSE IN THE BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, SITUATED APPROXIMATELY FOUR HUNDRED (400) FEET EAST OF FIRST AVENUE, AND ON THE SOUTHERLY SIDE OF TWENTY-FIFTH STREET, THE CITY OF NEW YORK, TOGETHER WITH THE ABANDONED SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT, DATED JUNE 7, 1907, FOR THE COMPLETION OF A BOILER PIT, CAISSON WORK, NEW FOUNDATION WORK, ETC.

The time allowed for doing and completing the entire work and the full performance of the contract is two hundred and forty (240) consecutive calendar days.

The surety required will be Sixty-seven Thousand Dollars (\$67,000).

The bidder will state one aggregate price for the whole work described and specified, as the contract is entire and for a complete job.

Blank forms and further information may be obtained at the office of Raymond F. Almirall, Architect, No. 51 Chambers street, The City of New York, where plans and specifications may be seen.

ROBERT W. HEBBERD,
Commissioner.

Dated February 26, 1908.

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See General Instructions to Bidders on the last page, last column, of the "City Record."

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 1018 OF THE Greater New York Charter, the Comptroller of The City of New York hereby gives public notice to all persons, owners of property, affected by the following assessment for LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS in the BOROUGH OF RICHMOND:

FIRST WARD.

REGULATING, GRADING AND PAVING THE ROADWAY OF COLLEGE AVENUE, from Jewett avenue to the second proposed street east; WATERS AVENUE, from Livermore avenue to Jewett avenue, and WILLARD AVENUE, from Watchogue road to Indiana avenue. Area of assessment: Both sides of Waters avenue, from Jewett avenue to Livermore avenue; both sides of Willard avenue, from Watchogue road to Indiana avenue; both sides of College avenue, from Jewett avenue to the second proposed street east, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets and avenues.

— that the same was confirmed by the Board of Assessors February 25, 1908, and entered on February 25, 1908, in the Record of Titles of Assessments, kept in the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, and unless the amount assessed for benefit on any person or property shall be paid within sixty days after the date of said entry of the assessment, interest shall be collected thereon, as provided in section 1019 of said Greater New York Charter.

Said section provides that "If any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof on the said Record of Titles of Assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment to charge, collect and receive interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated to the date of payment from the date when such assessment became a lien, as provided by section 150 of this act."

Section 150 of this act provides * * * "An assessment shall become a lien upon the real estate affected thereby ten days after its entry in the said record."

The above assessment is payable to the Collector of Assessments and Arrears at the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, at Borough Hall, St. George, Borough of Richmond, between the hours of 9 a. m. and 2 p. m., and on Saturdays from 9 a. m. to 12 m., and all payments made thereon on or before April 25, 1908, will be exempt from interest, as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum from the date when above assessment became a lien to the date of payment.

HERMAN A. METZ,
Comptroller.

City of New York, Department of Finance, Comptroller's Office, February 25, 1908.

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NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 1018 OF THE Greater New York Charter, the Comptroller of The City of New York hereby gives public notice to all persons, owners of property, affected by the following assessment for LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS in the BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN:

TWELFTH WARD, SECTION 7.

WEST ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTIETH STREET — PAVING, CURBING AND RE-CURBING, between Amsterdam avenue and

Morningside Avenue West. Area of assessment: Both sides of One Hundred and Twentieth street, from Amsterdam avenue to Morningside Avenue West, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets and avenues. — that the same was confirmed by the Board of Assessors on February 25, 1908, and entered February 25, 1908, in the Record of Titles of Assessments, kept in the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, and unless the amount assessed for benefit on any person or property shall be paid within sixty days after the date of said entry of the assessment, interest will be collected thereon, as provided in section 1019 of said Greater New York Charter.

Said section provides, in part, that "If any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said Record of Titles of Assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment to charge, collect and receive interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated to the date of payment from the date when such assessment became a lien, as provided by section 150 of this act."

Section 150 of this act provides * * * "An assessment shall become a lien upon the real estate affected thereby ten days after its entry in the said record."

The above assessment is payable to the Collector of Assessments and Arrears at the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, Room II, No. 280 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, between the hours of 9 a. m. and 2 p. m., and all payments made thereon on or before April 25, 1908, will be exempt from interest, as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum from the date when above assessment became a lien to the date of payment.

HERMAN A. METZ,
Comptroller.

City of New York, Department of Finance, Comptroller's Office, February 25, 1908.

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NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 1018 OF THE Greater New York Charter, the Comptroller of The City of New York hereby gives public notice to all persons, owners of property, affected by the following assessment for LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS in the BOROUGH OF THE BRONX:

TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH WARDS, SECTIONS 9 AND 11.

COLLEGE AVENUE—OPENING, from East One Hundred and Sixty-fourth street to East One Hundred and Seventy-second street and Teller avenue. Confirmed January 25, 1908; entered February 21, 1908. Area of assessment includes all those lands, tenements and hereditaments and premises situate, lying and being in the Borough of The Bronx in The City of New York, which, taken together, are bounded and described as follows, viz.:

Beginning at the point of intersection of a line parallel to and distant one hundred feet easterly from the easterly line of Teller avenue with a line parallel to and distant one hundred feet southerly from the southerly line of East One Hundred and Sixty-fourth street; running thence westerly along said last mentioned parallel line to its intersection with the middle line of the blocks between Grant avenue and Sherman avenue; thence northerly along said middle line and its northerly prolongation to its intersection with the easterly line of Sheridan avenue; thence still northerly along the easterly line of Sheridan avenue and its northerly prolongation to its intersection with a line parallel to and one hundred feet northerly from the northerly line of Belmont street; thence easterly along said parallel line to its intersection with a line parallel to and distant two hundred feet easterly from the easterly line of Teller avenue; thence southerly along said parallel line to its intersection with the northerly line of East One Hundred and Seventy-second street; thence southerly to the point of intersection of the southerly line of East One Hundred and Seventy-second street, with a line parallel to and distant one hundred feet easterly from the easterly line of Teller avenue; thence still southerly along said last mentioned parallel line to the point or place of beginning.

The above entitled assessment was entered on the date hereinbefore given in the Record of Titles of Assessments, kept in the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents. Unless the amount assessed for benefit on any person or property shall be paid within sixty days after the date of said entry of the assessment, interest will be collected thereon, as provided in section 1019 of said Greater New York Charter.

Said section provides, in part, that "If any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said Record of Titles of Assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment to charge, collect and receive interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated to the date of payment from the date when such assessment became a lien, as provided by section 150 of this act."

Section 150 of this act provides * * * "An assessment shall become a lien upon the real estate affected thereby ten days after its entry in the said record."

The above assessment is payable to the Collector of Assessments and Arrears at the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, in the Municipal Building, corner of One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street and Third avenue, Borough of The Bronx, between the hours of 9 a. m. and 2 p. m., and on Saturdays from 9 a. m. to 12 m., and all payments made thereon on or before April 25, 1908, will be exempt from interest, as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum from the date when above assessment became a lien to the date of payment.

HERMAN A. METZ,
Comptroller.

City of New York, Department of Finance, Comptroller's Office, February 25, 1908.

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NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 1018 OF THE Greater New York Charter, the Comptroller of The City of New York hereby gives public notice to all persons, owners of property, affected by the following assessment for LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS in the BOROUGH OF QUEENS:

FIRST WARD.

DITMAS AVENUE AND ELEVENTH AVENUE—CONSTRUCTING CATCH BASINS on the southeast corner. Area of assessment: South side of Eleventh avenue, from Potter avenue to Ditmas avenue, and east side of Potter avenue, between Sound street and Eleventh avenue. — that the same was confirmed by the Board of Assessors on February 25, 1908, and entered on February 25, 1908, in the Record of Titles of Assessments, kept in the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, and unless the amount assessed for benefit on any person or property shall be paid within sixty days after the date of said entry of the assessment, interest will be collected thereon, as provided in section 1019 of said Greater New York Charter.

Said section provides, in part, that "If any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said Record of Titles of Assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment to charge, collect and receive interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated to the date of payment from the date when such assessment became a lien, as provided by section 150 of this act."

Section 150 of this act provides * * * "An assessment shall become a lien upon the real estate affected thereby ten days after its entry in the said record."

The above assessment is payable to the Collector of Assessments and Arrears at the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, from the Ditmas Avenue and Eleventh Avenue intersection to the southeast corner, between the hours of 9 a. m. and 2 p. m., and on Saturdays from 9 a. m. to 12 m., and all payments made thereon on or before April 25, 1908, will be exempt from interest, as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum from the date when above assessment became a lien to the date of payment.

HERMAN A. METZ,
Comptroller.

City of New York, Department of Finance, Comptroller's Office, February 25, 1908.

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NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 1018 OF THE Greater New York Charter, the Comptroller of The City of New York hereby gives public notice to all persons, owners of property, affected by the following assessment for LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS in the BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN:

TWELFTH WARD, SECTION 7.

WEST ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTIETH STREET — PAVING, CURBING AND RE-CURBING, between Amsterdam avenue and

The above assessment is payable to the Collector of Assessments and Arrears at the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, at the Hackett Building, No. 51 Jackson avenue, Long Island City, Borough of Queens, between the hours of 9 a. m. until 12 m., and all payments made thereon on or before April 25, 1908, will be exempt from interest, as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum from the date when above assessment became a lien to the date of payment.

HERMAN A. METZ,
Comptroller.

City of New York, Department of Finance, Comptroller's Office, February 25, 1908.

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NOTICE OF ASSESSMENTS FOR OPENING STREETS AND PARKS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 1005 OF THE Greater New York Charter, the Comptroller of The City of New York hereby gives public notice of the confirmation by the Supreme Court, and the entering in the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, for OPENING AND ACQUIRING TITLE to the following-named avenue in the BOROUGH OF THE BRONX:

TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH WARDS, SECTIONS 9 AND 11.

COLLEGE AVENUE—OPENING, from East One Hundred and Sixty-fourth street to East One Hundred and Seventy-second street and Teller avenue. Confirmed January 25, 1908; entered February 21, 1908. Area of assessment includes all those lands, tenements and hereditaments and premises situate, lying and being in the Borough of The Bronx in The City of New York, which, taken together, are bounded and described as follows, viz.:

Beginning at the point of intersection of a line parallel to and distant one hundred feet easterly from the easterly line of Teller avenue with a line parallel to and distant one hundred feet southerly from the southerly line of East One Hundred and Sixty-fourth street; running thence westerly along said last mentioned parallel line to its intersection with the middle line of the blocks between Grant avenue and Sherman avenue; thence northerly along said middle line and its northerly prolongation to its intersection with the easterly line of Sheridan avenue; thence still northerly along the easterly line of Sheridan avenue and its northerly prolongation to its intersection with a line parallel to and one hundred feet northerly from the northerly line of Belmont street; thence easterly along said parallel line to its intersection with a line parallel to and distant two hundred feet easterly from the easterly line of Teller avenue; thence southerly along said parallel line to its intersection with the northerly line of East One Hundred and Seventy-second street; thence southerly to the point of intersection of the southerly line of East One Hundred and Seventy-second street, with a line parallel to and distant one hundred feet easterly from the easterly line of Teller avenue; thence still southerly along said last mentioned parallel line to the point or place of beginning.

The above entitled assessment was entered on the date hereinbefore given in the Record of Titles of Assessments, kept in the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents. Unless the amount assessed for benefit on any person or property shall be paid within sixty days after the date of said entry of the assessment, interest will be collected thereon, as provided in section 1019 of said Greater New York Charter.

Said section provides, in part, that "If any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said Record of Titles of Assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment to charge, collect and receive interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated to the date of payment from the date when such assessment became a lien, as provided by section 150 of this act."

Section 150 of this act provides * * * "An assessment shall become a lien upon the real estate affected thereby ten days after its entry in the said record."

The above assessment is payable to the Collector of Assessments and Arrears at the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, at the Hackett Building, No. 51 Jackson avenue, Long Island City, Borough of Queens, between the hours of 9 a. m. until 12 m., and all payments made thereon on or before April 25, 1908, will be exempt from interest, as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum from the date when above assessment became a lien to the date of payment.

HERMAN A. METZ,
Comptroller.

City of New York, Department of Finance, Comptroller's Office, February 25, 1908.

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NOTICE OF ASSESSMENTS FOR OPENING STREETS AND PARKS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 1005 OF THE Greater New York Charter, the Comptroller of The City of New York hereby gives public notice of the confirmation by the Supreme Court, and the entering in the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, for OPENING AND ACQUIRING TITLE to the following-named street in

Said section provides, in part, that "If any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said Record of Titles and Assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment to charge, collect and receive interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated to the date of payment from the date when such assessment became a lien, as provided by section 159 of this act."

Section 159 of this act provides * * * "An assessment shall become a lien upon the real estate affected thereby ten days after its entry in the said record."

The above assessments are payable to the Collector of Assessments and Arrears at the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, in the Municipal Building, corner of One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street and Third avenue, Borough of The Bronx, between the hours of 9 a. m. and 2 p. m., and on Saturdays from 9 a. m. to 12 m., and all payments made thereon on or before April 20, 1908, will be exempt from interest, as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum from the date when above assessment became a lien to the date of payment.

HERMAN A. METZ,
Comptroller.

City of New York, Department of Finance,
Comptroller's Office, February 20, 1908.

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the hours of 9 a. m. and 2 p. m., and on Saturdays from 9 a. m. until 12 m., and all payments made thereon on or before April 18, 1908, will be exempt from interest, as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum from the date when above assessment became a lien to the date of payment.

HERMAN A. METZ,
Comptroller.

City of New York, Department of Finance,
Comptroller's Office, February 18, 1908.

early along the southerly side of New Lots avenue, or road, to the point or place of beginning.

THIRTIETH WARD, SECTION 19.

BAY FOURTEENTH STREET—OPENING, from Eighty-sixth street to Cropsey avenue. Confirmed December 30, 1907; entered February 14, 1908. Area of assessment includes all those lands, tenements and hereditaments and premises situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, in The City of New York, which, taken together, are bounded and described as follows, viz.:

Beginning on the southerly side of Eighty-sixth street where the same is intersected by the centre line of the block between Bay Fourteenth street and Seventeenth avenue; running thence southwesterly and along the centre line of the blocks between Bay Fourteenth street and Seventeenth avenue to the northerly side of Cropsey avenue; running thence northwesterly and along the northerly side of Cropsey avenue to the centre line of the block between Bay Thirteenth street and Bay Fourteenth street; running thence northeasterly and along the centre line of the blocks between Bay Thirteenth street and Bay Fourteenth street to the southerly side of Eighty-sixth street; running thence southeasterly and along the southerly side of Eighty-sixth street to the point of beginning.

The above-entitled assessments were entered on the day hereinbefore given in the Record of Titles of Assessments, kept in the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, and unless the amount assessed for benefit on any person or property shall be paid within sixty days after the date of entry of the assessment, interest will be collected thereon, as provided in section 1005 of the Greater New York Charter.

Said section provides, in part, that "If any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said Record of Titles of Assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment to charge, collect and receive interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated to the date of payment from the date when such assessment became a lien, as provided by section 159 of this act."

Section 159 of this act provides * * * "An assessment shall become a lien upon the real estate affected thereby ten days after its entry in the said record."

The above assessments are payable to the Collector of Assessments and Arrears at the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, in the Municipal Building, corner of One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street and Third avenue, Borough of The Bronx, between the hours of 9 a. m. and 2 p. m., and on Saturdays from 9 a. m. to 12 m., and all payments made thereon on or before April 13, 1908, will be exempt from interest, as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum from the date when above assessment became a lien to the date of payment.

unless the amount assessed for benefit on any person or property shall be paid within sixty days after the date of entry of the assessment, interest will be collected thereon, as provided in section 1005 of said Greater New York Charter.

Said section provides, in part, that "If any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said Record of Titles of Assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment to charge, collect and receive interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated to the date of payment from the date when such assessment became a lien, as provided by section 159 of this act."

Section 159 of this act provides * * * "An assessment shall become a lien upon the real estate affected thereby ten days after its entry in the said record."

The above assessment is payable to the Collector of Assessments and Arrears at the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, in the Municipal Building, corner of One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street and Third avenue, Borough of The Bronx, between the hours of 9 a. m. and 2 p. m., and on Saturdays from 9 a. m. to 12 m., and all payments made thereon on or before April 13, 1908, will be exempt from interest, as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum from the date when such assessment became a lien, as provided by section 159 of this act."

HERMAN A. METZ,
Comptroller.

City of New York, Department of Finance,
Comptroller's Office, February 13, 1908.

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NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 1018 OF the Greater New York Charter, the Comptroller of The City of New York hereby gives public notice to all persons, owners of property, affected by the following assessments for LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS in the BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN:

TWENTY-NINTH WARD, SECTION 16, AND THIRTY-FIRST WARD, SECTION 20.

CONEY ISLAND AVENUE—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING AND LAYING SIDEWALKS, from 170 feet south of plaza at Fort Hamilton avenue to Kings highway. Area of assessment: Both sides of Coney Island avenue, from 170 feet south of plaza at Fort Hamilton avenue to Kings highway, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets and avenues.

THIRTIETH WARD, SECTIONS 3 AND 17. FORTY-FIRST STREET—OPENING, from New Utrecht avenue to the old city line. Confirmed December 30, 1907; entered February 15, 1908. Area of assessment includes all those lands, tenements and hereditaments and premises situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, in The City of New York, which, taken together, are bounded and described as follows, viz.:

Beginning at a point on the line dividing the Eighth and Thirtieth Wards where the centre line of the block between Forty-first and Forty-second streets intersects said line; running thence southeasterly and parallel with Forty-first street to the westerly side of New Utrecht avenue; running thence southerly and along the westerly side of New Utrecht avenue to its intersection with the northwesterly side of Tenth avenue; running thence southwesterly along the northwesterly side of Tenth avenue to the centre line of the block between Forty-first street and Forty-second street; running thence northwesterly and along the centre line of the blocks between Forty-first street and Forty-second street to the line dividing the Eighth and Thirtieth Wards; running thence northeasterly along the line dividing the Eighth and Thirtieth Wards to the point or place of beginning.

The above-entitled assessments were entered on the day hereinbefore given in the Record of Titles of Assessments, kept in the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, in the Mechanics Bank Building, Court and Montague streets, Borough of Brooklyn, between the hours of 9 a. m. and 2 p. m., and on Saturdays from 9 a. m. to 12 m., and all payments made thereon on or before April 14, 1908, will be exempt from interest, as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum from the date when such assessments became liens to the date of payment.

HERMAN A. METZ,
Comptroller.

City of New York, Department of Finance,
Comptroller's Office, February 14, 1908.

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CORPORATION SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of The City of New York, by virtue of the powers vested in them by law, will offer for sale at public auction on

FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 1908,

at 12 o'clock m., at the Comptroller's Office, No. 280 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, all the right, title and interest of The City of New York in and to the following described property, which it has by virtue of a lease from Cornelius Furgueson, Supervisor of the Town of New Utrecht, to the City of Brooklyn, which lease is recorded in the Register's Office of the County of Kings, in Liber 1715 of Conveyances, page 143, in and to all that certain lot mentioned and described as follows:

All that "certain lot known as and by the number 6, in Block 1154, Ward 30, in the former City of Brooklyn, which was sold December 6, 1886, for 100 years to the Town of New Utrecht for the assessments for the opening of Ninety-second street, for the sum of thirty-one dollars and fifty cents (\$31.50)."

The minimum or upset price at which the interest of The City in and to the said premises to be sold is appraised and fixed by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund at seventy-one dollars and sixty-nine cents (\$71.69).

The purchaser, in addition thereto, to pay the auctioneer's fee on such sale, and also to pay the further sum of one hundred dollars (\$100) for the expense of examination, advertising, etc. The sale of the said premises is to be made on the following

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

The highest bidder will be required to pay the full amount of his bid or purchase money, and the further sum of \$100 on such parcel as above provided for, and also the auctioneer's fee at the time of sale. The quit-claim deed for the above-described premises to be delivered within thirty days from the date of sale.

The Comptroller may, at his option, resell the property if the successful bidder shall fail to comply with the terms of the sale, and the person failing to comply therewith will be held liable for any deficiency which may result from such resale.

The right to reject any bid is reserved.

By order of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, under resolution adopted at a meeting of the Board held February 5, 1908.

N. TAYLOR PHILLIPS,
Acting Comptroller.

City of New York, Department of Finance,
Comptroller's Office, February 14, 1908.

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NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS.

NOTICES OF ASSESSMENTS FOR OPENING STREETS AND PARKS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 1018 OF the Greater New York Charter, the Comptroller of The City of New York hereby gives public notice to all persons, owners of property, affected by the following assessment for LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS in the BOROUGH OF QUEENS:

FIRST WARD.

DUTCH KILLS STREET—SEWER, between Jackson avenue and the tracks of the Long Island Railroad Company. Area of assessment: Both sides of Dutch Kills street, from Jackson avenue to the property of the Long Island Railroad Company.

—that the same was confirmed by the Board of Assessors on February 18, 1908, and entered on February 18, 1908, in the Record of Titles of Assessments, kept in the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, and unless the amount assessed for benefit on any person or property shall be paid within sixty days after the date of said entry of the assessment, interest will be collected thereon, as provided in section 1019 of said Greater New York Charter.

Said section provides, in part, that "If any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said Record of Titles of Assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment to charge, collect and receive interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated to the date of payment from the date when such assessment became a lien, as provided by section 159 of this act."

Section 159 of this act provides * * * "An assessment shall become a lien upon the real estate affected thereby ten days after its entry in the said record."

The above assessment is payable to the Collector of Assessments and Arrears at the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, at the Hackett Building, No. 51 Jackson avenue, Long Island City, Borough of Queens, between

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS.

NOTICES OF ASSESSMENTS FOR OPENING STREETS AND PARKS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 1005 OF THE Greater New York Charter, the Comptroller of The City of New York hereby gives public notice of the confirmation by the Supreme Court, and the entering in the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears, of assessment for OPENING AND ACQUIRING TITLE to the following-named street in the BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN:

TWENTY-SIXTH WARD, SECTION 14.

SCHENCK AVENUE—OPENING, from New Lots road to Wortman avenue. Confirmed November 26, 1907; entered February 14, 1908. Area of assessment includes all those lands, tenements and hereditaments and premises situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, in The City of New York, which, taken together, are bounded and described as follows, viz.:

Beginning on the southerly side of New Lots avenue, or road, where the same is intersected by a line drawn parallel with Schenck avenue and distant one hundred feet easterly therefrom; running thence southerly and parallel with Schenck avenue to the northerly side of Wortman avenue; running thence westerly and along the northerly side of Wortman avenue to a point distant one hundred feet westerly of the westerly side of Schenck avenue; running thence northerly parallel with Schenck avenue to the southerly side of New Lots avenue, or road; running thence east

ward along the southerly side of New Lots avenue, or road, to the point or place of beginning.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 1018 OF THE Greater New York Charter, the Comptroller of The City of New York hereby gives public notice to all persons, owners of property, affected by the following assessment for LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS in the BOROUGH OF THE BRONX:

TWENTY-FOURTH WARD, SECTION 11.

EAST ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTIETH STREET—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING, FLAGGING, LAYING CROSSWALKS, BUILDING APPROACHES AND PLACING FENCES, from Webster avenue to Grand Boulevard and Concourse. Area of assessment: Both sides of One Hundred and Eightieth street, from Webster avenue to Grand Boulevard and Concourse, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets and avenues.

—that the same was confirmed by the Board of Revision of Assessments on February 13, 1908, and entered February 13, 1908, in the record of Titles of Assessments, kept in the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, and unless the amount assessed for benefit on any person or property shall be paid within sixty days after the date of entry of the assessment, interest will be collected thereon, as provided in section 1019 of said Greater New York Charter.

Said section provides, in part, that "If any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said Record of Titles of Assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment to charge, collect and receive interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated to the date of payment from the date when such assessment became a lien, as provided by section 159 of this act."

Section 159 of this act provides * * * "An assessment shall become a lien upon the real estate affected thereby ten days after its entry in the said record."

The above assessment is payable to the Collector of Assessments and Arrears at the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, at the Hackett Building, No. 51 Jackson avenue, Long Island City, Borough of Queens, between

unless the amount assessed for benefit on any person or property shall be paid within sixty days after the date of entry of the assessment, interest will be collected thereon, as provided in section 1005 of said Greater New York Charter.

Said section provides, in part, that "If any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said Record of Titles of Assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment to charge, collect and receive interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated to the date of payment from the date when such assessment became a lien, as provided by section 159 of this act."

Section 159 of this act provides * * * "An assessment shall become a lien upon the real estate affected thereby ten days after its entry in the said record."

The above assessment is payable to the Collector of Assessments and Arrears at the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, in the Municipal Building, corner of One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street and Third avenue, Borough of The Bronx, between the hours of 9 a. m. and 2 p. m., and on Saturdays from 9 a. m. to 12 m., and all payments made thereon on or before April 13, 1908, will be exempt from interest, as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum from the date when above assessment became a lien to the date of payment.

HERMAN A. METZ,
Comptroller.

City of New York, Department of Finance,
Comptroller's Office, February 13, 1908.

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NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 1018 OF THE Greater New York Charter, the Comptroller of The City of New York hereby gives public notice to all persons, owners of property, affected by the following assessments for LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS in the BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN:

TWELFTH WARD, SECTION 8.

WEST ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SIXTH STREET—PAVING AND RECURBING, from Audubon place to Riverside drive. Area of assessment: Both sides of West One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street, from Audubon place to Riverside drive, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting street and avenue.

TWENTY-SEVENTH STREET, AND IN SPUYEN DUYVIL ROAD, BETWEEN JOHNSON AVENUE AT WEST TWO HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVENTH STREET AND WEST TWO HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH STREET.

The Engineer's estimate is as follows:
Item 1—9,000 cubic yards of earth excavation.
Item 2—7,500 cubic yards of rock excavation.
Item 3—25,000 cubic yards of filling.
Item 4—4,650 cubic yards of dry rubble masonry in retaining walls, culverts and gutters.

Item 5—150 cubic yards of concrete.
Item 6—300 linear feet of vitrified stoneware pipe, 12 inches in diameter.
Item 7—100 linear feet of vitrified stoneware pipe, 18 inches in diameter.

The time allowed for the completion of the work will be two hundred (200) working days.

The amount of security required will be Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000).

No. 5. FOR REGULATING, GRADING, SETTING CURBSTONE, FLAGGING THE SIDEWALKS, LAYING CROSSWALKS, BUILDING APPROACHES AND PLACING FENCES IN MOSHOLU PARKWAY NORTH, FROM JEROME AVENUE TO GUN HILL ROAD.

The Engineer's estimate is as follows:
Item 1—1,930 cubic yards of earth excavation.
Item 2—4,000 cubic yards of rock excavation.
Item 3—8,150 cubic yards of filling.
Item 4—1,150 linear feet of new curbstone, furnished and set.

Item 5—4,300 square feet of new flagging, furnished and laid.
Item 6—250 square feet of new bridgestone for crosswalks, furnished and laid.
Item 7—120 cubic yards of dry rubble masonry, in retaining walls, culverts and gutters.

Item 8—10 linear feet of vitrified stoneware pipe, 12 inches in diameter.
Item 9—750 linear feet of new guard rail in place.

The time allowed for the completion of the work will be one hundred and twenty-five (125) working days.

The amount of security required will be Forty-five Hundred Dollars (\$4,500).

No. 6. FOR PAVING WITH ASPHALT BLOCKS ON A CONCRETE FOUNDATION THE ROADWAY OF JACKSON AVENUE, FROM EAST ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-EIGHTH STREET TO EAST ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIRST STREET, AND SETTING CURB WHERE NECESSARY.

The Engineer's estimate is as follows:
Item 1—1,800 square yards of completed asphalt block pavement, and keeping the same in repair for five years from date of acceptance.

Item 2—306 cubic yards of concrete, including mortar bed.

Item 3—600 linear feet of new curbstone, furnished and set in concrete.

Item 4—715 linear feet of old curbstone, rejoined, recut on top and reset in concrete.

The time allowed for the completion of the work will be thirty (30) consecutive working days.

The amount of security required will be Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000).

No. 7. FOR PAVING THE ROADWAY OF EAST ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-EIGHTH STREET (CEDAR PLACE), FROM CAULDWELL AVENUE TO JACKSON AVENUE, AND FROM FOREST AVENUE TO UNION AVENUE, WITH ASPHALT BLOCKS ON A CONCRETE FOUNDATION, AND FROM JACKSON AVENUE TO FOREST AVENUE WITH GRANITE BLOCKS ON A CONCRETE FOUNDATION, AND SETTING CURB WHERE NECESSARY.

The Engineer's estimate is as follows:
Item 1—2,580 square yards of completed asphalt block pavement, and keeping the same in repair for five years from date of acceptance.

Item 2—525 cubic yards of concrete, including mortar bed.

Item 3—900 linear feet of new curbstone, furnished and set in concrete.

Item 4—1,430 linear feet of old curbstone, rejoined, recut on top and reset in concrete.

Item 5—495 square yards of new granite block pavement on a concrete foundation, laid with paving cement joints, and keeping the same in repair for one year from date of acceptance.

The time allowed for the completion of the work will be forty (40) consecutive working days.

The amount of security required will be Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500).

No. 8. FOR PAVING WITH ASPHALT BLOCKS ON A CONCRETE FOUNDATION THE ROADWAY OF ST. MARYS STREET, FROM ST. ANNS AVENUE TO ROBBINS AVENUE, AND SETTING CURB WHERE NECESSARY.

The Engineer's estimate is as follows:
Item 1—4,710 square yards of completed asphalt block pavement, and keeping the same in repair for five years from date of acceptance.

Item 2—763 cubic yards of concrete, including mortar bed.

Item 3—800 linear feet of new curbstone, furnished and set in concrete.

Item 4—1,900 linear feet of old curbstone, rejoined, recut on top and reset in concrete.

The time allowed for the completion of the work will be forty (40) consecutive working days.

The security required will be Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000).

No. 9. FOR PAVING WITH ASPHALT BLOCKS ON A CONCRETE FOUNDATION THE ROADWAY OF EAST ONE HUNDRED AND FORTIETH STREET, FROM ST. ANNS AVENUE TO CYPRESS AVENUE, AND SETTING CURB WHERE NECESSARY.

The Engineer's estimate is as follows:
Item 1—2,810 square yards of completed asphalt block pavement, and keeping the same in repair for five years from date of acceptance.

Item 2—455 cubic yards of concrete, including mortar bed.

Item 3—700 linear feet of new curbstone, furnished and set in concrete.

Item 4—1,000 linear feet of old curbstone, rejoined, recut on top and reset in concrete.

The time allowed for the completion of the work will be thirty (30) consecutive working days.

The amount of security required will be Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000).

No. 10. FOR REGULATING, GRADING, SETTING CURBSTONE, FLAGGING THE SIDEWALKS, LAYING CROSSWALKS, BUILDING APPROACHES AND PLACING FENCES IN BRIGGS AVENUE (GUN HILL ROAD), FROM WHITE PLAINS ROAD TO BAYCHESTER AVENUE, AT OR NEAR PELHAM BAY PARK.

The Engineer's estimate is as follows:
Item 1—52,000 cubic yards of earth excavation.

Item 2—31,000 cubic yards of rock excavation.

Item 3—275,000 cubic yards of filling, exclusive of all material sinking below the surface of the marsh, as indicated on the plan.

Item 3a—A lump sum bid for all material sinking below the surface of the marsh, as indicated on the plan.

Item 4—21,450 linear feet of new curbstone, furnished and set.

Item 5—76,200 square feet of new flagging, furnished and laid.

Item 6—23,500 square feet of new bridgestone for crosswalks, furnished and laid.

Item 7—1,500 cubic yards of dry rubble masonry in retaining walls, culverts and gutters.

Item 8—200 cubic yards of rubble masonry in mortar.

Item 9—10 cubic yards of brick masonry.

Item 10—400 cubic yards of concrete.

Item 11—2,700 linear feet of vitrified stoneware pipe, 12 inches in diameter.

Item 12—1,900 linear feet of vitrified stoneware pipe, 18 inches in diameter.

Item 13—500 linear feet of vitrified stoneware pipe, 20 inches in diameter.

Item 14—1,150 linear feet of vitrified stoneware pipe, 24 inches in diameter.

Item 15—10,000 feet (B. M.) of lumber, furnished and laid.

Item 16—30 drainage inlets, type "A."

Item 17—50 drainage inlets, type "B."

Item 18—3,000 linear feet of piles, driven and cut off.

Item 19—3,000 pounds of steel rods in place.

Item 20—3,000 pounds of cast iron in inlet frames and covers, in place.

Item 21—1 tidegate, complete.

Item 22—140 linear feet of reinforced concrete, 10 feet by 6 feet.

Item 23—840 linear feet of reinforced concrete, 6 feet by 5 feet.

Item 24—13,500 linear feet of guard rails.

The time allowed for the completion of the work will be five hundred (500) working days.

The amount of security required will be One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000).

No. 11. FOR REGULATING AND RE-REGULATING, GRADING AND REGRADING, SETTING AND RESETTING CURBSTONE, FLAGGING AND REFLAGGING THE SIDEWALKS AND LAYING AND RELAYING CROSSWALKS IN EAST ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SIXTH STREET, FROM WEST FARMS ROAD TO BOSTON ROAD, AND PAVING THE ROADWAY THEREOF WITH GRANITE BLOCKS ON A SAND FOUNDATION.

The Engineer's estimate is as follows:

Item 1—1,940 cubic yards of earth excavation.

Item 2—1,160 cubic yards of rock excavation.

Item 3—460 cubic yards of filling.

Item 4—850 linear feet of new curbstone, furnished and set.

Item 5—600 linear feet of old curbstone, rejoined and set.

Item 6—3,460 square feet of new flagging, furnished and laid.

Item 7—2,550 square feet of old flagging, rejoined and relaid.

Item 8—50 square feet of new bridgestone for crosswalks, furnished and laid.

Item 9—1,300 square feet of old bridgestone, rejoined and relaid.

Item 10—10 cubic yards of dry rubble masonry in retaining walls, culverts and gutters.

Item 11—20 linear feet of vitrified stoneware pipe, 12 inches in diameter.

Item 12—3,170 square yards of new granite block pavement on a sand foundation, laid with sand joints, and keeping the pavement in repair for one year from date of acceptance.

The time allowed for the completion of the work will be seventy-five (75) working days.

The amount of security required will be Thirtysix Hundred Dollars (\$3,600).

No. 12. FOR REGULATING, GRADING, SETTING CURBSTONE, FLAGGING THE SIDEWALKS, LAYING CROSSWALKS, BUILDING APPROACHES AND PLACING FENCES IN EXTERIOR STREET, FROM EAST ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-NINTH STREET TO JEROME AVENUE.

The Engineer's estimate is as follows:

Item 1—1,450 cubic yards of excavation of all kinds.

Item 2—57,600 cubic yards of filling, exclusive of all material sinking below the surface of the marsh, as indicated on the plan.

Item 3—6,670 linear feet of new curbstone, furnished and set.

Item 4—26,340 square feet of new flagging, furnished and laid.

Item 5—1,850 square feet of new bridgestone for crosswalks, furnished and laid.

Item 6—220 cubic yards of dry rubble masonry, in retaining walls, culverts and gutters.

Item 7—100 linear feet of vitrified stoneware pipe, 12 inches in diameter.

Item 8—1,000 feet (B. M.) of lumber, furnished and laid.

Item 9—3,000 linear feet of new guard rail in place.

Item 10—A lump sum bid for all material sinking below the surface of the marsh, as indicated on the plan.

The time allowed for the completion of the work will be three hundred (300) days.

The amount of security required will be Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000).

No. 13. FOR REGULATING, GRADING, SETTING CURBSTONE, FLAGGING THE SIDEWALKS, LAYING CROSSWALKS, BUILDING APPROACHES AND PLACING FENCES IN CITY ISLAND AVENUE (MAIN STREET), FROM THE APPROACH TO THE BRIDGE 300 FEET NORTH OF ELIZABETH STREET TO THE LONG ISLAND SOUND AT THE SOUTHERLY END OF CITY ISLAND.

The Engineer's estimate is as follows:

Item 1—6,200 cubic yards of earth excavation.

Item 2—500 cubic yards of rock excavation.

Item 3—60,800 cubic yards of filling.

Item 4—13,700 linear feet of new curbstone, furnished and set.

Item 5—250 linear feet of old curbstone, rejoined and reset.

Item 6—50,200 square feet of new flagging, furnished and laid.

Item 7—9,200 square feet of new bridgestone for crosswalks, furnished and laid.

Item 8—2,600 cubic yards of dry rubble masonry, in retaining walls, culverts and gutters.

Item 9—100 cubic yards of rubble masonry, in mortar.

Item 10—800 linear feet of vitrified stoneware pipe, 12 inches in diameter.

Item 11—3,000 linear feet of vitrified stoneware pipe, 18 inches in diameter.

Item 12—450 linear feet of vitrified stoneware pipe, 24 inches in diameter.

Item 13—1,000 feet (B. M.) of lumber, furnished and laid.

Item 14—3,500 linear feet of new guard rail.

Item 15—105 linear feet of old iron fence, taken up and reset.

Item 16—18 drainage inlets, type "A."

Item 17—30 drainage inlets, type "B."

The time allowed for the completion of the work will be two hundred and fifty (250) working days.

The amount of security required will be Thirty-five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000).

No. 14. FOR REBUILDING A PORTION OF THE SEWER IN WHITLOCK AVENUE, NEAR BANCROFT STREET.

The Engineer's estimate is as follows:

Item 1—725 cubic yards of brick work, in place.

Item 2—4,500 pounds of steel bars, 1/2-inch, furnished and in place.

Item 3—120 pounds of steel bars, 1/2-inch, furnished and in place.

Item 4—1,540 pounds of steel I-beams, furnished and in place.

Item 5—15 square feet of wire netting, No. 14 gauge, mesh 2-inch by 1-inch, furnished and in place.

Item 6—12 cubic yards of Class "A" concrete, in place.

Item 7—10 cubic yards of Class "B" concrete, in place.

Blank forms may be obtained at the office of the Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity, the Borough of Manhattan, Nos. 13 to 21 Park row, and at Room 28, Municipal Building, Borough of Brooklyn.

JOHN H. O'BRIEN,
Commissioner of Water Supply,
Gas and Electricity.

The City of New York, February 18, 1908.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, No. 300 MULBERRY STREET.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES WILL BE received by the Police Commissioner of the Police Department of The City of New York at the Bookkeeper's office, Central Department, until 10 o'clock a. m. on

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 1908.

FOR SUPPLYING GENERAL STATIONERY, PRINTERS' AND SURGEONS' SUPPLIES FOR THE USE OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

The time for the delivery of the articles, materials and supplies and the performance of the contract is during the year 1908.

The amount of security required will be fifty per cent. (50%) of the amount of the bid or estimate.

The bidder will state the price of each item or article contained in the specifications or schedules herein contained or hereto annexed, per pound, ton, dozen, gallon, yard or other unit of measure, by which the bids will be tested. The extensions must be made and footed up, as the bids will be read from the total for each item, and the Police Department reserves the right to award the contract by the entire schedule or to award for each item.

Delivery will be required to be made at the time and in the manner and in such quantities as may be directed.

Blank forms and further information may be obtained at the Central Office of the Police Department, No. 300 Mulberry street, Borough of Manhattan.

THEODORE A. BINGHAM,
Police Commissioner.

Dated February 18, 1908.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, No. 300 MULBERRY STREET.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES WILL BE received by the Police Commissioner of the Police Department of The City of New York at the Bookkeeper's Office, Central Department, until 10 o'clock a. m. on

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1908.

FOR FURNISHING AND DELIVERING 1,025 TONS (OF 2,240 POUNDS EACH) OF ANTHRACITE COAL FOR USE IN THE BOROUGH OF THE BRONX.

The time for the delivery of the articles, materials and supplies and the performance of the contract is during the year 1908.

The amount of security required will be fifty per cent. (50%) of the amount of bid or estimate.

Bidders will state the kind of anthracite coal they propose to furnish by giving the name of its mine or other business appellation.

The bidder will state the price of each item or article contained in the specifications or schedules herein contained or hereto annexed, per pound, ton, dozen, gallon, yard or other unit of measure, by which the bids will be tested. The extensions must be made and footed up, as the bids will be read from the total for each item. The bids will be compared and the contract awarded at a lump or aggregate sum.

Delivery will be required to be made at the time and in the manner and in such quantities as may be directed.

Blank forms and further information may be obtained at the Central Office of the Police Department, No. 300 Mulberry street, Borough of Manhattan.

THEODORE A. BINGHAM,
Police Commissioner.

Dated February 13, 1908.

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See General Instructions to Bidders on the last page, last column, of the "City Record."

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, No. 300 MULBERRY STREET.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES WILL BE received by the Police Commissioner of the Police Department of The City of New York at the Bookkeeper's Office, Central Department, until 10 o'clock a. m. on

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1908.

FOR FURNISHING AND DELIVERING 800 TONS (OF 2,240 POUNDS EACH) OF ANTHRACITE COAL FOR USE IN THE BOROUGH OF QUEENS.

The time for the delivery of the articles, materials and supplies and the performance of the contract is during the year 1908.

The amount of security required will be fifty per cent. (50%) of the amount of bid or estimate.

Bidders will state the kind of anthracite coal they propose to furnish by giving the name of its mine or other business appellation.

The bidder will state the price of each item or article contained in the specifications or schedules herein contained or hereto annexed, per pound, ton, dozen, gallon, yard or other unit of measure, by which the bids will be tested. The extensions must be made and footed up, as the bids will be read from the total for each item. The bids will be compared and the contract awarded at a lump or aggregate sum.

Delivery will be required to be made at the time and in the manner and in such quantities as may be directed.

Blank forms and further information may be obtained at the Central Office of the Police Department, No. 300 Mulberry street, Borough of Manhattan.

THEODORE A. BINGHAM,
Police Commissioner.

Dated February 13, 1908.

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See General Instructions to Bidders on the last page, last column, of the "City Record."

POLICE DEPARTMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK.
OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY CLERK OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, NO. 300 MULBERRY STREET, ROOM NO. 9, FOR THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY, NOW IN HIS CUSTODY, WITHOUT CLAIMANTS: BOATS, ROPE, IRON, LEAD, MALE AND FEMALE CLOTHING, BOOTS, SHOES, WINE, BLANKETS, DIAMONDS, CANNED GOODS, LIQUORS, ETC.; ALSO SMALL AMOUNT OF MONEY TAKEN FROM PRISONERS AND FOUND BY PATROLMEN OF THIS DEPARTMENT.

THEODORE A. BINGHAM,
Police Commissioner.

POLICE DEPARTMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK, BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE DEPUTY PROPERTY CLERK OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK—OFFICE, NO. 200 STATE STREET, BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN—for the following property, now in his custody, without claimants: BOATS, ROPE, IRON, LEAD, MALE AND FEMALE CLOTHING, BOOTS, SHOES, WINE, BLANKETS, DIAMONDS, CANNED GOODS, LIQUORS, ETC.; ALSO SMALL AMOUNT OF MONEY TAKEN FROM PRISONERS AND FOUND BY PATROLMEN OF THIS DEPARTMENT.

THEODORE A. BINGHAM,
Police Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS.

OFFICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, ARSENAL BUILDING, FIFTH AVENUE AND SIXTY-FOURTH STREET, BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES WILL BE received by the Park Board at the above office of the Department of Parks until 3 o'clock p. m. on

THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 1908.

Borough of Brooklyn.

FOR REPAIRS AND ALTERATIONS TO LAWN MOWERS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, BOROUGHS OF BROOKLYN AND QUEENS.

The time for the completion of the contract will be on or before November 15, 1908.

The amount of security required is One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000).

The bids will be compared and the contract awarded at a lump or aggregate sum.

Blank forms may be obtained at the office of the Department of Parks, Litchfield Mansion, Prospect Park, Brooklyn.

HENRY SMITH,
President;
MICHAEL J. KENNEDY,
JOSEPH I. BERRY,
Commissioners of Parks.

Dated February 11, 1908.

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OFFICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, ARSENAL BUILDING, FIFTH AVENUE AND SIXTY-FOURTH STREET, BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES WILL BE received by the Park Board at the above office of the Department of Parks until 3 o'clock p. m. on

THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 1908.

Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens.

FOR REPAIRS AND ALTERATIONS TO AND PAINTING OF FENCES AROUND PARKS AND ON PARKWAYS IN THE BOROUGHS OF BROOKLYN AND QUEENS.

The time allowed for the completion of the contract is within thirty consecutive working days.

The amount of security required is Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000).

The bids will be compared and the contracts awarded at a lump or aggregate sum for each contract.

Blank forms may be obtained and plans may be seen at the office of the Department of Parks, Litchfield Mansion, Prospect Park, Brooklyn.

HENRY SMITH,
President;
JOSEPH I. BERRY,
MICHAEL J. KENNEDY,
Commissioners of Parks.

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See General Instructions to Bidders on the last page, last column, of the "City Record."

OFFICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, ARSENAL BUILDING, FIFTH AVENUE AND SIXTY-FOURTH STREET, BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES WILL BE received by the Park Board at the above office of the Department of Parks until 3 o'clock p. m. on

THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 1908.

Boroughs of Manhattan and Richmond.

FOR FURNISHING AND ERECTING THREE RAIL PIPE FENCES AROUND THE GRASS PLOTS IN CITY HALL PARK, IN THE BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

The time for the completion of the contract will be forty consecutive working days.

The amount of security required is Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000).

The bids will be compared and the contract awarded at a lump or aggregate sum.

Blank forms may be obtained and plans may be seen at the office of the Department of Parks, Arsenal, Central Park, New York City.

The time for the delivery and the full performance of the contract is thirty (30) days.

The amount of security required is Eight Hundred Dollars (\$800).

The bids will be compared and the contract awarded at a lump or aggregate sum.

Blank forms may be obtained at the office of the Department of Parks, Zbrowski Mansion, Claremont Park, The Bronx.

HENRY SMITH,
President;
JOSEPH I. BERRY,
MICHAEL J. KENNEDY.

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See General Instructions to Bidders on the last page, last column, of the "City Record."

OFFICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, ARSENAL BUILDING, FIFTH AVENUE AND SIXTY-FOURTH STREET, BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES WILL BE received by the Park Board at the above office of the Department of Parks until 3 o'clock p. m. on

THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 1908.

Borough of The Bronx.

FOR FURNISHING AND DELIVERING PAINTS AND OILS (NO. 1, 1908) FOR PARKS, BOROUGH OF THE BRONX.

The time allowed for the delivery of the articles, materials and supplies and the performance of the contract is thirty (30) days.

The amount of security required is Five Hundred Dollars (\$500).

The bids will be compared and the contract awarded at a lump or aggregate sum.

Blank forms may be obtained at the office of the Department of Parks, Zbrowski Mansion, Claremont Park, The Bronx.

HENRY SMITH,
President;
JOSEPH I. BERRY,
MICHAEL J. KENNEDY.

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See General Instructions to Bidders on the last page, last column, of the "City Record."

OFFICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, ARSENAL BUILDING, FIFTH AVENUE AND SIXTY-FOURTH STREET, BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES WILL BE received by the Park Board at the above office of the Department of Parks until 3 o'clock p. m. on

THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 1908.

Boroughs of Manhattan and Richmond.

FOR FURNISHING AND ERECTING THREE RAIL PIPE FENCES AROUND THE GRASS PLOTS IN CITY HALL PARK, IN THE BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

The time for the completion of the contract will be forty consecutive working days.

The amount of security required is Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000).

The bids will be compared and the contract awarded at a lump or aggregate sum.

Blank forms may be obtained and plans may be seen at the office of the Department of Parks, Arsenal, Central Park, New York City.

HENRY SMITH,
President;
JOSEPH I. BERRY,
MICHAEL J. KENNEDY,
Commissioners of Parks.

Dated February 15, 1908.

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See General Instructions to Bidders on the last page, last column, of the "City Record."

OFFICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, ARSENAL BUILDING, FIFTH AVENUE AND SIXTY-FOURTH STREET, BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES WILL BE received by the Park Board at the above office of the Department of Parks until 3 o'clock p. m. on

THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 1908.

Borough of Manhattan.

FOR ALL LABOR AND MATERIALS REQUIRED FOR THE ERECTION AND COMPLETION OF AN ADDITION TO THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART, TO BE KNOWN AS THE LIBRARY WING (ADDITION G), LOCATED IN CENTRAL PARK, ON THE WEST SIDE OF FIFTH AVENUE.

The amount of security required is Thirty Thousand Dollars.

The time allowed to complete the whole work will be two hundred and fifty consecutive working days.

The bids will be compared and the contract awarded at a lump or aggregate sum.

Plans may be seen and blank forms may be obtained at the office of the Department of Parks, Arsenal, Central Park, Manhattan, and also at the office of the architects, McKim, Mead & White, No. 160 Fifth Avenue, Manhattan.

HENRY SMITH,
President;
JOSEPH I. BERRY,

opening and extending the said street or avenue and affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate, at our office, ninth floor, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, in The City of New York, with such affidavit or other proof as the owners or claimants may desire, within ten days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 2d day of March, 1908, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto. And at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The City of New York.

Dated Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, February 15, 1908.

PETER L. MULLALY,
GEORGE V. MULLAN,
WILLIAM A. COKELEY,
Commissioners.

JOHN P. DUNN,
Clerk.

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FIRST DEPARTMENT.

In the matter of the application of The City of New York relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired for the same purpose in fee, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the opening and extending of EAST ONE HUNDRED AND FORTIETH STREET, from Park avenue to Morris avenue, in the Twenty-third Ward, Borough of The Bronx, City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT BY an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 29th day of October, 1907, and duly entered in the office of the Clerk of the County of New York at his office in the Borough of Manhattan, in The City of New York, on the 16th day of December, 1907, a copy of which order was duly filed in the office of the Register of the County of New York and indexed in the Index of Conveyances, Blocks 2333 and 2340, we, George A. Devine, Martin C. Dyer and Maurice S. Cohen were appointed Commissioners of Estimate for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening and extending the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the County of New York on the 16th day of December, 1907, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 17, title 4 of the Greater New York Charter, as amended, and the acts or parts of acts supplementary thereto or amendatory thereof.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 2d day of March, 1908, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto. And at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The City of New York.

Dated Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, February 15, 1908.

WALLACE S. FRASER,
W. GARROW FISHER,
ANDREW J. TIMONEY,
Commissioners.

JOHN P. DUNN,
Clerk.

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FIRST DEPARTMENT.

In the matter of the application of The City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired for the same purpose, in fee, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the opening and extending of ASTOR AVENUE, from Olinville avenue to White Plains road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, Borough of The Bronx, City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, BY an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 29th day of October, 1907, and duly entered in the office of the Clerk of the County of New York, at his office in the Borough of Manhattan, in The City of New York, on the 16th day of December, 1907, a copy of which order was duly filed in the office of the Register of the County of New York, we, William E. Morris, Julius Martin and Frank H. Becker, were appointed Commissioners of Estimate for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening and extending the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the County of New York on the 16th day of December, 1907, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 17, title 4 of the Greater New York Charter, as amended, and the Acts or parts of Acts supplementary thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening and extending the said street or avenue and affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate, at our office, ninth floor, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, in The City of New York, with such affidavit or other proof as the owners or claimants may desire, within ten days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 2d day of March, 1908, at 12 o'clock noon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto. And at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The City of New York.

Dated Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, February 15, 1908.

MAURICE S. COHEN,
GEORGE A. DEVINE,
MARTIN C. DYER,
Commissioners.

JOHN P. DUNN,
Clerk.

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FIRST DEPARTMENT.

In the matter of the application of The City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, for the same purpose, in fee, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the opening and extending of TRAFALGAR PLACE, from East One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street to East One Hundred and Seventy-sixth street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, Borough of The Bronx, City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT BY an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 29th day of October, 1907, and duly entered in the office of the Clerk of the County of New York at his office in the Borough of Manhattan, in The City of New York, on the 16th day of December, 1907, a copy of which order was duly filed in the office of the Register of the County of New York, we, Wallace S. Fraser, Andrew J. Timoney and W. Garrow Fisher were appointed Commissioners of Estimate for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the

WM. E. MORRIS,
FRANK H. BECKER,
JULIUS MARTIN,
Commissioners.

JOHN P. DUNN,
Clerk.

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FIRST DEPARTMENT.

In the matter of the application of The City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, for the same purpose in fee, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the opening and extending of WEST STREET, from Honeywell street to Crotona parkway, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, Borough of The Bronx, City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT BY an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 7th day of November, 1907, and duly entered in the office of the Clerk of the County of New York at his office in the Borough of Manhattan, in The City of New York, on the 16th day of December, 1907, a copy of which order was duly filed in the office of the Register of the County of New York, and indexed in the Index of Conveyances, Blocks 3119 and 3124, we, Maurice S. Cohen, Otto Lackman and James H. Goggin, were appointed Commissioners of Estimate for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening and extending the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the County of New York on the 16th day of December, 1907, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 17, title 4 of the Greater New York Charter, as amended, and the acts or parts of acts supplementary thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening and extending the said street or avenue and affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate, at our office, ninth floor, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, in The City of New York, with such affidavit or other proof as the owners or claimants may desire, within ten days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 28th day of February, 1908, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto. And at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The City of New York.

Dated Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, February 14, 1908.

MAURICE S. COHEN,
OTTO LACKMAN,
JAMES H. GOGGIN,
Commissioners.

JOHN P. DUNN,
Clerk.

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FIRST DEPARTMENT.

In the matter of the application of The City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, for the same purpose, in fee, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the opening and extending of KNOX PLACE, from Mosholu Parkway North to Gun Hill road, and GATES PLACE, from Mosholu Parkway North to Gun Hill road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, Borough of The Bronx, City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT BY an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 31st day of October, 1907, and duly entered in the office of the Clerk of the County of New York, at his office in the Borough of Manhattan, in The City of New York, on the 16th day of December, 1907, a copy of which order was duly filed in the office of the Register of the County of New York, we, John P. Cohalan, Richard J. Barry and Roderick J. Kennedy, were appointed Commissioners of Estimate for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening and extending the above-mentioned streets or avenues, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the County of New York on the 16th day of December, 1907, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 17, title 4 of the Greater New York Charter, as amended, and the acts or parts of acts supplementary thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening and extending the said street or avenue and affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate, at our office, ninth floor, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, in The City of New York, with such affidavit or other proof as the owners or claimants may desire, within ten days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 28th day of February, 1908, at 12 o'clock noon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto. And at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The City of New York.

Dated Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, February 14, 1908.

to present the same duly verified to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate, at our office, ninth floor, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, in The City of New York, with such affidavit or other proof as the owners or claimants may desire, within ten days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 28th day of February, 1908, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto. And at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The City of New York.

Dated Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, February 14, 1908.

JOHN P. COHALAN,
RODERICK J. KENNEDY,
RICHARD J. BARRY,
Commissioners.

JOHN P. DUNN,
Clerk.

f14.27

FIRST DEPARTMENT.

In the matter of the application of The City of New York relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired for the same purpose, in fee, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the opening and extending of PLEASANT AVENUE (now Olin avenue), from Gun Hill road to East Two Hundred and Nineteenth street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, Borough of The Bronx, City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT BY an order of the Supreme Court bearing date the 29th day of November, 1907, and duly entered in the office of the Clerk of the County of New York at his office in the Borough of Manhattan, in The City of New York, on the 16th day of December, 1907, a copy of which order was duly filed in the office of the Register of the County of New York, we, John P. Cohalan, William Sexton and William F. Burrough, were appointed Commissioners of Estimate for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening and extending the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the County of New York on the 16th day of December, 1907, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 17, title 4 of the Greater New York Charter, as amended, and the acts or parts of acts supplementary thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening and extending the said street or avenue and affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate, at our office, ninth floor, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, in The City of New York, with such affidavit or other proof as the owners or claimants may desire, within ten days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 28th day of February, 1908, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto. And at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The City of New York.

Dated Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, February 14, 1908.

JOHN P. COHALAN,
WILLIAM F. BURROUGH,
WILLIAM SEXTON,
Commissioners.

JOHN P. DUNN,
Clerk.

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FIRST DEPARTMENT.

In the matter of the application of The City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, for the same purpose, in fee, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the opening and extending of ZEREGA AVENUE, from Castle Hill avenue, near Harts street, to Castle Hill avenue, at or near West Farms road, being the whole length of Zerega avenue (including Avenue A and Green lane), in the Twenty-fourth Ward, Borough of The Bronx, City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT BY an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 29th day of October, 1907, and duly entered in the office of the Clerk of the County of New York at his office in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York, on the 16th day of December, 1907, a copy of which order was duly filed in the office of the Register of the County of New York, we, Maurice S. Cohen, William Kearney and Joseph J. Martin, were appointed Commissioners of Estimate for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening and extending the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the County of New York on the 16th day of December, 1907, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 17, title 4 of the Greater New York Charter, as amended, and the acts or parts of acts supplementary thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening and extending the said streets or avenues and affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required

tached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the County of New York on the 16th day of December, 1907, and the said Maurice S. Cohen was appointed Commissioner of Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of the said street or avenue so to be opened and extended, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises situated within the area of assessment adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment and not required for the purpose of opening and extending the same, but benefited thereby, the said area of assessment being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the County of New York on the 16th day of December, 1907, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 17, title 4, of the Greater New York Charter, as amended, and the acts or parts of acts supplementary thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening and extending the said street or avenue, and affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate, at our office, ninth floor, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, in The City of New York, with such affidavits or other proof as the owners or claimants may desire, within ten days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 28th day of February, 1908, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto; and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The City of New York.

Dated Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, February 14, 1908.

JOSEPH J. MARRIN,
MAURICE S. COHEN,
WM. KEARNEY,
Commissioners.

JOHN P. DUNN,
Clerk.
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FIRST DEPARTMENT.

In the matter of the application of The City of New York relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the opening and extending of WEST ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SEVENTH STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from Amsterdam avenue to St. Nicholas avenue (as laid out on the map by resolution adopted March 31, 1905), and from Broadway to Riverside drive, in the Twelfth Ward, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMIS-
sioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to all persons interested in this proceeding, and to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots and improved and unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in this proceeding, or in any of the lands, tenements and hereditaments and premises affected thereby, and having objections thereto, do present their said objections in writing, duly verified, to us at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, in The City of New York, on or before the 2d day of March, 1908, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on the 4th day of March, 1908, at 2 o'clock p. m.

Second—That the abstracts of our said estimate and assessment, together with our damage and benefit maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates, proofs and other documents used by us in making the same, have been deposited in the Bureau of Street Openings in the Law Department of The City of New York, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, in said City, there to remain until the 4th day of March, 1908.

Third—That the limits of our assessment for benefit include all those lands, tenements and hereditaments and premises situate, lying and being in the Borough of Manhattan, in The City of New York, which, taken together, are bounded and described as follows, viz:

Beginning at the point of intersection of a line parallel to and distant 100 feet easterly from the easterly line of Amsterdam avenue with the easterly prolongation of a line parallel to and distant 100 feet southerly from the southerly line of West One Hundred and Seventy-sixth street; running thence westerly along said prolongation and line parallel to West One Hundred and Seventy-sixth street to its intersection with a line parallel to and distant 100 feet easterly from the easterly line of Buena Vista avenue; thence southerly along said line parallel to Buena Vista avenue to its intersection with a line parallel to and distant 100 feet southerly from the southerly line of West One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street; thence westerly along said line parallel to West One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street and its westerly prolongation to its intersection with a line parallel to and distant 100 feet westerly from the westerly line of Riverside drive; thence northerly along said line parallel to Riverside drive to its intersection with the westerly prolongation of a line parallel to and distant 100 feet northerly from the northerly line of West One Hundred and Seventy-eighth street; thence easterly along said westerly prolongation and line parallel to West One Hundred and Seventy-eighth street and its easterly prolongation to its intersection with a line parallel to and distant 100 feet easterly from the easterly line of Amsterdam avenue; thence southerly along said line parallel to Amsterdam avenue to the point or place of beginning; as such area is shown upon our benefit maps deposited as aforesaid.

Fourth—That, provided there be no objections filed to either of said abstracts, our final report herein will be presented for confirmation to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, First Department, at a Special Term thereof, Part III, to be held in the County Court House in the Borough of Manhattan, in The City of New York, on the 23d day of April, 1908, at the opening of the Court on that day.

Fifth—in case, however, objections are filed to either of said abstracts of estimate and assessment, the notice of motion to confirm our final report herein will stand adjourned to the date to be hereafter specified, and of which notice will be given to all those who have theretofore

peared in this proceeding, as well as by publication in the CITY RECORD, pursuant to sections 981 and 984 of the Greater New York Charter, as amended by chapter 658 of the Laws of 1906.

Dated Borough of Manhattan, New York, January 27, 1908.

JOSEPH ULLMAN, Chairman;
JOHN J. QUINLAN,
WILLIAM P. SCHMITT,
Commissioners.

JOHN P. DUNN,
Clerk.
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SUPREME COURT—SECOND DEPARTMENT.

SECOND DEPARTMENT.

In the matter of the application of The City of New York relative to acquiring title to NEWELL STREET, from Meserole avenue to Greenpoint avenue, in the Seventeenth Ward, in the Borough of Brooklyn, The City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, the undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, made and entered herein on the 12th day of November, 1907, and duly filed in the office of the Clerk of Kings County, a copy of which order was filed in the office of the Register of the County of Kings on the 7th day of December, 1907, and indexed in the Index of Conveyances in Section 9, Blocks 2577, 2578, 2600, 2601, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate of the loss and damage, if any, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons entitled to or interested in the lands and premises to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, as particularly described in the petition of The City of New York, filed with said order in the office of the Clerk of Kings County, and for the purpose of making a just and equitable assessment of the benefit of said street or avenue so to be opened to the respective owners, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the lands and premises, and not required for the purpose of opening said street or avenue, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the district benefited by said assessment, and the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts and parcels of land participating in said benefit, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by title 4 of chapter 17 of the Charter of The City of New York, and the Acts or parts of Acts supplementary thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the lands and premises taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office in the Bureau of Street Openings of the Law Department, No. 166 Montague street, Borough of Brooklyn, in The City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owner or claimants may desire, within twenty days after date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 16th day of March, 1908, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto; and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The City of New York.

Dated Borough of Brooklyn, City of New York, February 19, 1908.

OTTO G. FOELKER,
ELISHA T. EVERETT,
AARON SHERK,
Commissioners.

JAMES F. QUIGLEY,
Clerk.
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SECOND DEPARTMENT.

In the matter of the application of The City of New York relative to acquiring title to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening and extending EAST TWENTY-FIFTH STREET, from Foster avenue to Flatbush avenue, in the Twenty-ninth Ward in the Borough of Brooklyn, in The City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE bill of costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter, will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term thereof to be held for the hearing of motions, at the Kings County Court House, in the Borough of Brooklyn, in The City of New York, on the 5th day of March, 1908, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon; and that the said bill of costs, charges and expenses has been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the County of Kings, there to remain for and during the space of ten days, as required by the provisions of section 999 of title 4 of chapter 17, of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897, as amended by chapter 466 of the Laws of 1901.

Dated Borough of Brooklyn, New York, February 19, 1908.

H. DE SELDING,
J. HERBERT WATSON,
A. MCKINNEY,
Commissioners.

JAMES F. QUIGLEY,
Clerk.
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SECOND DEPARTMENT.

In the matter of the application of The City of New York relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the opening and extending of BAY RIDGE PARKWAY, between Sixty-sixth street and Sixty-seventh street, and extending from a few feet east of Ninth avenue for a distance of 434 feet to a point about midway between Eighth and Ninth avenues, in the Thirtieth Ward, Borough of Brooklyn, City of New York.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMIS-
sioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to all persons interested in this proceeding, and to

the owner or owners, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots and improved and unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First—That we have completed our estimate of damage, and that all persons interested in this proceeding, or in any of the lands, tenements and hereditaments and premises affected thereby, and having objections thereto, do present their said objections in writing, duly verified, to us at our office, No. 166 Montague street, in the Borough of Brooklyn, in The City of New York, on or before the 9th day of March, 1908, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on the 11th day of March, 1908, at 3 o'clock p. m.

Second—That the abstract of our said estimate of damage, together with our damage maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates, proofs and other documents used by us in making the same, have been deposited in the Bureau of Street Openings in the Law Department of The City of New York, No. 166 Montague street, in the Borough of Brooklyn, in The City of New York, on or before the 9th day of March, 1908, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on the 11th day of March, 1908.

Third—That provided there be no objections filed to said abstract, our final report herein will be presented for confirmation to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, Second Department, at a Special Term thereof for the hearing of motions, to be held in the County Court House in the Borough of Brooklyn, in The City of New York, on or before the 9th day of March, 1908, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on the 11th day of March, 1908.

Fourth—That the abstracts of our said estimate and assessment, together with our damage and benefit maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and proofs and other documents used by us in making the same, have been deposited in the Bureau of Street Openings in the Law Department of The City of New York, No. 166 Montague street, in the Borough of Brooklyn, in The City of New York, on or before the 9th day of March, 1908, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on the 11th day of March, 1908.

Dated Borough of Brooklyn, New York, February 18, 1908.

J. EDW. SWANSTROM, Chairman;
ROBERT STEWART,
ARCHIBALD J. QUAIL,
Commissioners.

JAMES F. QUIGLEY,
Clerk.
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SECOND DEPARTMENT.

In the matter of the application of The City of New York relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the opening and extending of FORTY-SEVENTH STREET, from Eighteenth avenue to Gravesend avenue, in the Thirtieth Ward, Borough of Brooklyn, City of New York.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMIS-
sioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to all persons interested, and to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots and improved and unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in this proceeding, or in any of the lands, tenements and hereditaments and premises affected thereby, and having objections thereto, do present their said objections in writing, duly verified, to us at our office, No. 166 Montague street, in the Borough of Brooklyn, in The City of New York, on or before the 9th day of March, 1908, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on the 10th day of March, 1908, at 2 o'clock p. m.

Second—That the abstracts of our said estimate and assessment, together with our damage and benefit maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates, proofs and other documents used by us in making the same, have been deposited in the Bureau of Street Openings in the Law Department of The City of New York, No. 166 Montague street, in the Borough of Brooklyn, in The City of New York, on or before the 9th day of March, 1908, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on the 10th day of March, 1908.

Third—That the limits of our assessment for benefit include all those lands, tenements and hereditaments and premises situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, in The City of New York, which, taken together, are bounded and described as follows, viz:

Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the westerly line of New Utrecht avenue and a line drawn parallel to and distant one hundred (100) feet southerly from the southerly line of Fiftieth street, and running thence northwesterly along said parallel line to its intersection with the old City line; thence northeasterly along said old City line to its intersection with a line drawn parallel to and distant one hundred (100) feet northerly from the northerly line of Fiftieth street; thence southeasterly along said last mentioned parallel line to its intersection with the westerly line of New Utrecht avenue; thence southerly along said last mentioned line to the point or place of beginning, as such area is shown upon our benefit maps, deposited as aforesaid.

Fourth—That, provided there be no objections filed to either of said abstracts, our final report herein will be presented for confirmation to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, Second Department, at a Special Term thereof for the hearing of motions, to be held in the County Court House in the Borough of Brooklyn, in The City of New York, on the 20th day of April, 1908, at the opening of the Court on that day.

Fifth—In case, however, objections are filed to either of said abstracts of estimate and assessment, the notice of motion to confirm our final report herein will stand adjourned to the date to be hereafter specified, and of which notice will be given to all those who have theretofore

SECOND DEPARTMENT.

In the matter of the application of The City of New York relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the opening and extending of FIFTIETH STREET, from the old City line to New Utrecht avenue, in the Thirtieth Ward, Borough of Brooklyn, City of New York.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMIS-
sioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to all persons interested in this proceeding, and to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots and improved and unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in this proceeding, or in any of the lands, tenements and hereditaments and premises affected thereby, and having objections thereto, do present their said objections in writing, duly verified, to us at our office, No. 166 Montague street, in The City of New York, on or before the 9th day of March, 1908, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on the 10th day of March, 1908.

Second—That the abstracts of our said estimate and assessment, together with our damage and benefit maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and proofs and other documents used by us in making the same, have been deposited in the Bureau of Street Openings in the Law Department of The City of New York, No. 166 Montague street, in the Borough of Brooklyn, in The City of New York, on or before the 9th day of March, 1908, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on the 10th day of March, 1908.

Third—That the limits of our assessment for benefit include all those lands, tenements and hereditaments and premises situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, in The City of New York, which, taken together, are bounded and described as follows, viz:

Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the westerly line of New Utrecht avenue and a line drawn parallel to and distant one hundred (100) feet southerly from the southerly line of Fiftieth street, and running thence northwesterly along said parallel line to its intersection with the old City line; thence northeasterly along said old City line to its intersection with a line drawn parallel to and distant one hundred (100) feet northerly from the northerly line of Fiftieth street; thence southeasterly along said last mentioned parallel line to its intersection with the westerly line of New Utrecht avenue; thence southerly along said last mentioned line to the point or place of beginning, as such area is shown upon our benefit maps, deposited as aforesaid.

Fourth—That, provided there be no objections filed to either of said abstracts, our final report herein will be presented for confirmation to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, Second Department, at a Special Term thereof for the hearing of motions, to be held in the County Court House in the Borough of Brooklyn, in The City of New York, on the 20th day of April, 1908, at the opening of the Court on that day.

Fifth—In case, however, objections are filed to either of said abstracts of estimate and assessment, the notice of motion to confirm our final report herein will stand adjourned to the date to be hereafter specified, and of which notice will be given to all those who have theretofore

A. I. NOVA, Chairman;
GEO. E. GLENDENNING,
OTTO WETZEL, Commissioners.

JAMES F. QUIGLEY,
Clerk.
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SECOND DEPARTMENT.

In the matter of the application of The City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and heredit

City of New York, for the use of the public at large, to the lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and appurtenances thereto belonging, required for the purpose of a plaza at the Manhattan Bridge terminal, in the Borough of Brooklyn, The City of New York.

The description of the lands required for the purpose of said plaza, as aforesaid, is as follows:

(10) Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the northerly side of High street and the easterly side of Jay street, and running thence along the easterly side of Jay street north two degrees forty-one minutes forty-four seconds east (N. 2 degrees 41 minutes 44 seconds E.) one hundred seventy and fifty-five hundredths (170.55) feet; thence south twenty-three degrees east (S. 23 degrees E.) one hundred eighty-nine and twenty-three hundredths (189.23) feet to the northerly side of High street; thence along the northerly side of High street north eighty-seven degrees nineteen minutes forty-three seconds west (N. 87 degrees 19 minutes 43 seconds W.) eighty-two and five hundredths (82.05) feet to the point of beginning.

(11) Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the westerly side of Bridge street and the northerly side of High street, and running thence along the northerly side of High street north eighty-seven degrees nineteen minutes forty-three seconds west (N. 87 degrees 19 minutes 43 seconds W.) two hundred thirty-three and sixty-five hundredths (233.65) feet; thence north twenty-three degrees west (N. 23 degrees W.) two hundred twenty-eight and twenty-nine hundredths (228.29) feet to the southerly side of Sands street; thence along the southerly side of Sands street south eighty-seven degrees seventeen minutes thirty-six seconds east (S. 87 degrees 17 minutes 36 seconds E.) three hundred thirty-two and one hundredth (332.01) feet to the westerly side of Bridge street; thence along the westerly side of Bridge street south two degrees thirty-two minutes seventeen seconds west (S. 2 degrees 32 minutes 17 seconds W.) two hundred five and fifty-three hundredths (205.53) feet to the point of beginning.

(12) Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the southerly side of High street and the easterly side of Jay street, and running thence along the southerly side of High street south eighty-seven degrees nineteen minutes forty-three seconds east (S. 87 degrees 19 minutes 43 seconds E.) one hundred four and sixty-six hundredths (104.66) feet; thence south twenty-three degrees east (S. 23 degrees E.) two hundred thirty and fourteen hundredths (230.14) feet to the northerly side of Nassau street; thence along the northerly side of Nassau street north eighty-seven degrees eleven minutes fifty-three seconds west (N. 87 degrees 11 minutes 53 seconds W.) two hundred four and forty-six hundredths (204.46) feet to the easterly side of Jay street; thence along the easterly side of Jay street north two degrees forty-one minutes thirty-seven seconds east (N. 2 degrees 41 minutes 37 seconds E.) two hundred six and ninety-six hundredths (206.96) feet to the point of beginning.

(13) Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the southerly side of High street and the westerly side of Bridge street, and running thence along the westerly side of Bridge street south two degrees thirty-two minutes seventeen seconds west (S. 2 degrees 32 minutes 17 seconds W.) two hundred eight and eight hundredths (208.08) feet to the northerly side of Nassau street; thence along the northerly side of Nassau street north eighty-seven degrees eleven minutes fifty-three seconds west (N. 87 degrees 11 minutes 53 seconds W.) one hundred eleven and seventy-two hundredths (111.72) feet; thence north twenty-three degrees west (N. 23 degrees W.) two hundred thirty and fifty-nine hundredths (230.59) feet to the southerly side of High street; thence along the southerly side of High street south eighty-seven degrees nineteen minutes forty-three seconds east (S. 87 degrees 19 minutes 43 seconds E.) two hundred eleven and seventeen hundredths (211.17) feet to the point of beginning.

(14) Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the easterly side of Jay street and the northerly side of High street, and running thence along the northerly side of High street south eighty-seven degrees nineteen minutes and forty-three seconds east (S. 87 degrees 19 minutes 43 seconds E.) four hundred ninety-three and twenty-two hundredths (493.22) feet to the westerly side of Bridge street; thence along the westerly side of Bridge street south two degrees thirty-two minutes and seventeen seconds west (S. 2 degrees 32 minutes 17 seconds W.) forty-seven (47) feet to the southerly side of High street; thence along the southerly side of High street north eighty-seven degrees nineteen minutes and forty-three seconds west (N. 87 degrees 19 minutes 43 seconds W.) four hundred ninety-three and thirty-five hundredths (493.35) feet to the easterly side of Jay street; thence along the easterly side of Jay street north two degrees forty-one minutes and thirty-seven seconds east (N. 2 degrees 41 minutes 37 seconds E.) forty-seven (47) feet to the point of beginning.

Said lands are shown on a map entitled "Manhattan Bridge, Brooklyn Approach Property," signed by George E. Best, Commissioner of Bridges, and dated November 1, 1905, which map was filed in the office of the Department of Bridges on the first day of November, 1905, and in the office of the Register of the County of Kings on the first day of November, 1905, and the 20th day of December, 1904, respectively; also shown on a map of that portion of said property affected by these proceedings made by the Department of Bridges, which map was filed in the office of the Corporation Counsel of The City of New York, in the Borough of Brooklyn on the 28th day of February, 1907.

Dated Borough of Brooklyn, City of New York, the 13th day of February, 1908.

FRANCIS K. PENDLETON,
Corporation Counsel.

No. 166 Montague Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

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SECOND DEPARTMENT.

In the matter of the application of The City of New York relative to acquiring title to HENRY STREET, from Ocean parkway to East Eighth street, in the Twenty-ninth Ward, in the Borough of Brooklyn, The City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, the undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, made and entered herein on the 12th day of November, 1907, and duly filed in the office of the Clerk of Kings County, a copy of which order was filed in the office of the Register of the County of Kings on the 7th day of December, 1907, and indexed in the Index of Conveyances in section 16, Blocks 5329a, 5320b, 5321a, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate of the loss and damage, if any, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons entitled to or interested in the lands and premises to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, as particularly described in the petition of The City of New York.

York, filed with said order in the office of the Clerk of Kings County, and for the purpose of making a just and equitable assessment of the benefit of said street or avenue so to be opened to the respective owners, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the lands and premises and not required for the purpose of opening said street or avenue, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the district benefited by said assessment, and the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts and parcels of land participating in said benefit, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by title 4 of chapter 17 of the Charter of The City of New York, and the acts or parts of acts supplementary thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the lands and premises taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office in the Bureau of Street Openings of the Law Department, No. 166 Montague street, Borough of Brooklyn, in The City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owner or claimants may desire, within twenty days after date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 5th day of March, 1908, at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto; and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The City of New York.

Dated Borough of Brooklyn, The City of New York, February 6, 1908.

DAVID HIRSHFIELD,
A. I. NOVA,
CHAS. E. FISKE,

Commissioners.

JAMES F. QUIGLEY,
Clerk.

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SECOND DEPARTMENT.

In the matter of the application of The City of New York relative to acquiring title to MIDWOOD STREET, between Nostrand avenue and Kingston avenue, in the Twenty-ninth Ward, in the Borough of Brooklyn, The City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, the undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, made and entered herein on the 12th day of November, 1907, and duly filed in the office of the Clerk of Kings County, a copy of which order was filed in the office of the Register of the County of Kings on the 7th day of December, 1907, and indexed in the Index of Conveyances, in Section 15, Blocks 4796, 4797, 4798, 4801, 4802, 4803, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate of the loss and damage, if any, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons entitled to or interested in the lands and premises to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, as particularly described in the petition of The City of New York, filed with said order in the office of the Clerk of Kings County, and for the purpose of making a just and equitable assessment of the benefit of said street or avenue so to be opened to the respective owners, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the lands and premises and not required for the purpose of opening said street or avenue, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the district benefited by said assessment, and the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts and parcels of land participating in said benefit, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by title 4 of chapter 17 of the Charter of The City of New York, and the acts or parts of acts supplementary thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the lands and premises taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office in the Bureau of Street Openings of the Law Department, No. 166 Montague street, Borough of Brooklyn, in The City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owner or claimants may desire, within twenty days after date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 6th day of March, 1908, at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto; and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The City of New York.

Dated Borough of Brooklyn, The City of New York, February 6, 1908.

HERBERT S. WORTHLEY,
JACOB A. WILLIAMS,
HARRY HOWARD DALE,

Commissioners.

JAMES F. QUIGLEY,
Clerk.

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SECOND DEPARTMENT.

In the matter of the application of The City of New York relative to acquiring title to EAST NINETY-FIFTH STREET, from East New York avenue to Rockaway avenue, in the Twenty-ninth and Thirty-second Wards, in the Borough of Brooklyn, The City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT WE, the undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, made and entered herein on the 12th day of November, 1907, and duly filed in the office of the Clerk of Kings County, a copy of which order was filed in the office of the Register of the County of Kings on the 7th day of December, 1907, and indexed in the Index of Conveyances, Section 15, Blocks 4597, 4598, 4613, 4614, 4630, 4631, 4649, 4650, 4669, 4670, 4691, 4692, 4715, 4716, 4754, 4755, and Section 24, Blocks 8112, 8113, 8120, 8121, 8127, 8128, 8144, 8145, 8163, 8164, 8182, 8183, 8202, 8203, 8221, 8222, 8240, 8241, 8259, 8260, 8278, 8279, 8297, 8298, 8317, 8318, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate of the loss and damage, if any, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons entitled to or interested in the lands and premises to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, as particularly described in the petition of The City of New York, filed with said order in the office of the Clerk of Kings County, and for the

purpose of making a just and equitable assessment of the benefit of said street or avenue so to be opened to the respective owners, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the lands and premises and not required for the purpose of opening said street or avenue, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the district benefited by said assessment, and the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts and parcels of land participating in said benefit, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by title 4 of chapter 17 of the Charter of The City of New York, and the acts or parts of acts supplementary thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the lands and premises taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office in the Bureau of Street Openings of the Law Department, No. 166 Montague street, Borough of Brooklyn, in The City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owner or claimants may desire, within twenty days after date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 5th day of March, 1908, at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto; and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The City of New York.

Dated Borough of Brooklyn, The City of New York, February 6, 1908.

FRANCIS S. McDIVITT,
WM. H. TAYLOR,
JOS. H. BREAZNELL,

Commissioners.

JAMES F. QUIGLEY,
Clerk.

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SECOND DEPARTMENT.

In the matter of the application of The City of New York relative to acquiring title to MIDWOOD STREET, between Nostrand avenue and Kingston avenue, in the Twenty-ninth Ward, in the Borough of Brooklyn, The City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, the undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, made and entered herein on the 12th day of November, 1907, and duly filed in the office of the Clerk of Kings County, a copy of which order was filed in the office of the Register of the County of Kings on the 7th day of December, 1907, and indexed in the Index of Conveyances, in Section 10, Blocks 3160 and 3178, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate of the loss and damage, if any, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons entitled to or interested in the lands and premises to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, as particularly described in the petition of The City of New York, filed with said order in the office of the Clerk of Kings County, and for the purpose of making a just and equitable assessment of the benefit of said street or avenue so to be opened to the respective owners, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the lands and premises and not required for the purpose of opening said street or avenue, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the district benefited by said assessment, and the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts and parcels of land participating in said benefit, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by title 4 of chapter 17 of the Charter of The City of New York, and the acts or parts of acts supplementary thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the lands and premises taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office in the Bureau of Street Openings of the Law Department, No. 166 Montague street, Borough of Brooklyn, in The City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owner or claimants may desire, within twenty days after date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 4th day of March, 1908, at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto; and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The City of New York.

Dated Borough of Brooklyn, The City of New York, February 6, 1908.

SOLON BARBONELL,
ABRAHAM SILVERSTONE,
E. D. CHILDS,

Commissioners.

JAMES F. QUIGLEY,
Clerk.

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SUPREME COURT—NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT, WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

HILL VIEW RESERVOIR.

Section No. 1.

In the matter of the application and petition of J. Edward Simmons, Charles N. Chadwick and Charles A. Shaw, constituting the Board of Water Supply of The City of New York, to acquire real estate for and on behalf of The City of New York, under chapter 724 of the Laws of 1905 and the acts amendatory thereof, in the Towns of Yorktown and Cortlandt, in the County of Westchester, N. Y., for the purpose of providing an additional supply of pure and wholesome water for the use of The City of New York.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the first separate report of George N. Rigby, Bernard F. Martin and James P. Apgar, Commissioners of Appraisal herein, appointed on May 4, 1907, was filed in the office of the County Clerk of Westchester County on January 17, 1908.

Said report covers and includes the parcels of land designated on the map filed in the office of the Register of Westchester County on February 18, 1907, as Map No. 1700, designated thereon by the numbers 16, 18, 24, 47, 48 and 49.

Notice is further given that an application will be made at a Special Term of the Supreme Court, in and for the Ninth Judicial District, to be held at the Court House at White Plains, N. Y., on the 7th day of March, 1908, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard, for an order confirming said report, and for such other and further relief as to the Court shall seem just and proper.

Dated February 6, 1908.

FRANCIS KEY PENDLETON,
Corporation Counsel.

Hall of Records, Corner Chambers and Centre Streets, New York City.

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NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT, WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

CATSKILL AQUEDUCT.

Section No. 1.

Yorktown and Cortlandt, Westchester County.

In the matter of the application and petition of J. Edward Simmons, Charles A. Shaw and Charles N. Chadwick, constituting the Board of Water Supply of The City of New York, to acquire real estate for and on behalf of The City of New York, under chapter 724 of the Laws of 1905 and the acts amendatory thereof, in the Towns of Yorktown and Cortlandt, in the County of Westchester, N. Y., for the purpose of providing an additional supply of pure and wholesome water for the use of The City of New York.