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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

[Papers relative to the resignation of George M. Van Nort, as Commissioner of Public Works, and the appointment of Fitz John Porter as his successor.]

George M. Van Nort, Commissioner of Public Works, to the Mayor:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, {
March 1, 1875.

Hon. Wm. H. WICKHAM,
Mayor of the City of New York:

SIR—Herewith I submit a condensed statement of the transactions of the Department of Public Works for the period of three years, during which time I have discharged the duties of Commissioner.

The condition of affairs and of the public mind at the time I came into the office are too well known to need, at my hands, a recapitulation.

At that period of transition I was appointed as the successor of Mr. Tweed, as Mr. Green was appointed the successor of Mr. Connolly, and as Mr. Stebbins was appointed the successor of Mr. Sweeney. Like both of these later appointees of Mayor Hall, I was absolutely free from obligations to or affiliations with the retiring heads of three of the most important Departments of the City Government.

My official record will show how far I have carried out, in my Department, the policy of "retrenchment and reform," which was demanded by the taxpayers of this City, as represented by the "Committee of Seventy," and accepted by Mayor Hall in his last important appointments.

To reduce the current expenditures of the Department, and, at the same time, not only maintain but promote its efficiency, required much care and labor.

The satisfactory financial results herewith shown have been accomplished amid all the discord and lack of harmony that has characterized the City Government during this period.

Since my control of the Department, I have annually made known to the Mayor and Common Council the wants and requirements of the Department; but, in most cases, have failed to receive that co-operation which the public interest seemed to require, leaving to me alone the responsibility of procuring the necessary legislation for the beneficial working of this branch of the City Government.

All the legislation that has been procured for the Department has been without expense to the City.

As you are aware, I have, during the brief term which has elapsed since you became the Chief Magistrate of this City, communicated with you on several subjects of vital importance to the City requiring legislation.

I have explained to you the object of public improvements in progress and of those in contemplation, and have discussed with you the subject of pavements, and submitted to you two several drafts of acts necessary to provide for putting the pavements in a proper condition on a reasonable and equitable basis of expense to the tax-payers.

I have also made known to you the wants of the City, including the two newly annexed wards, in reference to furnishing an ample supply of Croton water at every point in the whole City, and submitted to you a draft of an act necessary to complete and carry out the same—without which the system of mains already laid, and being laid, cannot be brought into use, thus defeating the project now within the grasp of the City of furnishing Croton water in buildings of great altitude, and ensuring an unlimited supply throughout the lower part of the City in case of fire.

Although sufficient time may not have elapsed, since you assumed the duties of your office, for you to act on these matters, I am firmly con-

vinced of the fact that the party now dominant in the City and State, being at variance with my views, is unwilling to invest this Department, with me at its head, with the power necessary to carry forward such works to completion.

Such being the case, it would be a grave injustice to the tax-payers for me to continue in a position where their interests would in any case suffer.

Recognizing as I did a year since, that, with the lack of harmony existing in the City Government, embarrassing and hindering the prosecution of public improvements to which the City was committed, and for which the property-owners had paid large amounts in assessments, and considering that a harmonious government and the interests of the tax-payers should be the paramount thought and duty of every official, I intimated my intention of resigning my office, and, only upon the urgent solicitation of such tax-payers, did I consent to remain. After much thought and careful consideration, I have now decided that, rather than continue in office under so many embarrassments during the few remaining months of my term, I prefer to rest upon the results already accomplished; therefore, I do hereby resign the office of Commissioner of Public Works, to take effect upon the accession of my successor, and am,

Very respectfully,
GEO. M. VAN NORT.

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF THE TRANSACTIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, FOR THREE YEARS, BEGINNING JANUARY, 1872.

The expenditures of the Department are divided into three classes:

1. EXPENDITURES MET BY ANNUAL TAXATION for the maintenance of the Croton Aqueduct, reservoirs and pipes, street pavements, roadways, sewers, public buildings; for lighting the City with gas; for salaries of employees; for furnishing and cleaning public offices, free floating baths, etc.

2. EXPENDITURES MET BY THE ISSUE OF ASSESSMENT BONDS, and for which the City is reimbursed by the collection of assessments for grading, paving, curbing, guttering, flagging, sewerage, and otherwise improving streets, roads, and avenues.

3. EXPENDITURES MET BY THE ISSUE OF FUNDED BONDS for the extension and improvement of the Croton main system, improvement and alterations of the Aqueduct, construction of storage reservoirs, and reconstruction of old sewers.

1. The Expenditures on Taxation Account during the past three years were as follows:

In 1872.....	\$862,399 79
In 1873.....	1,474,370 66
In 1874, exclusive of County purposes and lighting Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.....	1,481,737 96
Total for three years.....	\$4,818,508 41

No comparison can be made with the expenditures in 1869 and 1870, during part of which the works now under the control of this Department were under the charge of the Street and Croton Aqueduct Departments, there being no official report from the Street Department from January 1, 1869, to April 10, 1870, and none from the Croton Board from January 1 to April 10, 1870.

In 1871 the expenditures from taxation were \$3,175,192 79

The reduction in 1872 as compared with 1871: \$1,312,793 00

" 1873 " " 1,700,822 13

" 1874 " " 1,603,454 82

Total reduction in three years..... \$4,707,069 95

2. Expenditure on account of Assessment Fund:

In 1872.....	\$2,375,705 43
In 1873.....	4,464,572 66
In 1874.....	4,631,443 98
Total for three years.....	\$11,471,722 07

The expenditures on this account in 1871 were..... \$5,488,429 43

Reduction in 1872 as compared with 1871: \$3,112,724 43

" 1873 " " 1,023,856 77

" 1874 " " 856,985 45

Total reduction in three years..... \$4,993,566 65

The certificates of the cost of completed improvements transmitted by the Department to the Board of Assessors during the three years, and now in preparation for transmission, amount to..... \$11,355,817 93

The following is a summary of the amount of work done on street improvements during the past three years:

25 1/2 miles of streets regulated and graded.

24 1/2 " curbed and guttered.

49 " sidewalks flagged.

22 " streets paved with stone-blocks.

11 1/2 miles of Telford Macadam roadways constructed.

32 miles of sewers built.

10 " underground drains.

1 6-10 mile of culverts.

And 341 receiving-basins constructed.

3. Expenditures on account of the Funded Debt:

In 1872..... \$1,699,612 40

In 1873..... 1,804,311 91

In 1874..... 1,399,397 81

Total for three years..... \$4,903,322 12

Expenditures on account of the Funded Debt in 1871..... \$3,137,469 56

Reduction in 1872, as compared with 1871: \$1,437,857 16

" 1873, " " 1,333,157 65

" 1874, " " 1,738,071 75

Total reduction in three years..... \$4,509,086 56

years, as compared with the year 1871, together with the saving in office rent, may be summarized as follows:

Reduction in expenditures from taxation..... \$4,707,069 96

Reduction in expenditures from Assessment Bonds..... 4,993,566 65

Reduction in expenditures from Funded Bonds..... 4,509,086 56

Increase in revenue from Croton water..... 584,761 40

Saving in office rent..... 50,000 00

Total..... \$14,844,484 57

The Mayor to George M. Van Nort.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, March 1, 1875.

Hon. GEORGE M. VAN NORT:

DEAR SIR—I have received your communication of this date, submitting a condensed statement of the transactions of the Department of Public Works, for the three years during which you have been the Commissioner, and resigning the office rather than continue in it under the circumstances to which you call my attention.

I was not unprepared for the communication; in fact, intimations made by you in a number of recent conversations had led me to expect it; but I none the less regret that the circumstances of the present political situation should so seriously affect the usefulness of a distinguished public servant, as to seem to him to make his voluntary withdrawal from office a duty to the community which he has served so long, and with notable results.

The difficulties and obstructions you have had to contend against have been manifest. But, so far as my personal knowledge of the operations of your administration of the Department extends, it has been efficient, and nothing has been brought to my official notice which impairs your reputation for integrity.

Certainly, I have observed no Department of the City Government which is so well organized as yours has been, or in which business has been conducted with such thorough system, and such excellent methods as have been pursued in your office, and in the several Bureaus attached to it.

You successor has unusual opportunities in beginning his term of service with the advantages which your training and skill as an administrative officer have, in these respects, prepared for him.

With many thanks for the courteous consideration and attention which you have uniformly extended to me during our official intercourse, and with renewed assurances of my best wishes for your continued welfare.

I am, very respectfully,

WM. H. WICKHAM.

Certificate of the Appointment of Fitz John Porter as Commissioner of Public Works.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, March 1, 1875.

I, William H. Wickham, Mayor of the City of New York, by virtue of the power conferred upon me by chapter 300 of the Laws of 1874, being "An act to amend chapter 335 of the laws of 1873, entitled 'An act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York,' passed April 30, 1873, and the acts amendatory thereof," do hereby appoint

FITZ JOHN PORTER

to be Commissioner of Public Works of the City of New York, in the place of George M. Van Nort, resigned, and for the unexpired term of said George M. Van Nort, which terminates on the 29th day of December, 1875.

WM. H. WICKHAM,

Mayor.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF NEW YORK,
Wednesday, February 24, 1875.

The Board of Commissioners met this day.

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

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Trials

were held upon charges preferred against members of the Department, as follows:

Fireman John Deane, Engine Company No. 25. Fined one day's pay.

Fireman Hugh J. Soden, Hook and Ladder Company No. 3. Fined one day's pay.

Communications

were received and disposed of, as follows:

From—

Inspector of Combustibles—Report for the week ending 20th inst. Filed.

Superintendent of Supplies—Estimate of articles required, with cost. Referred back, with directions to purchase.

Chief of Battalion in charge of Repair Shops—Recommendations for fitting up the new shops. Referred to Superintendent of Supplies, with directions to ascertain cost, and report.

Same—Relative to building of an aerial ladder. Filed.

Foreman of Hook and Ladder Company No. 8—Reporting death of Fireman John Hutton, on 22d inst. Filed.

Fireman George Davis, Engine Company No. 4—Requesting transfer. Filed, and granted.

Deputy Comptroller—Statement of condition of appropriation to 20th inst. Filed.

C. A. S. Goldey, and others—Requesting appointment of Thomas K. Finley as Fireman on Fire Steamboat. Filed.

C. Morrison, Engineer in charge of Third avenue improvement—Giving notice to remove engine-house on line of improvement near One Hundred and Forty-seventh street. Referred to Inspector of Combustibles, with directions to ascertain cost of complying, and report.

Wm. Tryon, agent of Wiley & Russell Manufacturing Company—Requesting payment for bolt-cutting machine placed in Repair Shop. Filed.

Resignations.

Oil Collector Joseph Summers, to take effect on 28th inst.

Day Watchman William Stevenson, to take effect on 28th inst.

Appointments.

To take effect on the 1st proximo: Joseph Summers, as Clerk at \$1,200 per annum.

William Stevenson, as Oil Collector, at \$1,000 per annum.

Bernard Brady, as Day Watchman, at \$2.50 per day.

John Donohue, as Fireman, assigned to Engine Company No. 23.

Promotions.

To take effect on the 1st proximo:

Assistant Foreman Martin Cook, Engine Co. No. 41, to be Foreman, same Company.

Assistant Foreman William Frost, Engine Co. No. 42, to be Foreman, same Company.

Assistant Foreman Hugh Kitson, Hook and Ladder Company No. 17, to be foreman, same Company.

Assistant Foreman Thomas J. Van Horn, Hook and Ladder Company No. 18, to be Foreman, same Company.

Assistant Foreman George A. Campbell, Chemical Engine Co. No. 1, to be Foreman, same Company.

Assistant Foreman James Rooney, Chemical Engine Co. No. 2, to be Foreman, same Company.

Assistant Foreman Roger B. Hamblett, Chemical Engine Co. No. 3, to be Foreman, same Company.

Assistant Foreman Benjamin F. Nash, Chemical Engine Co. No. 4, to be Foreman, same Company.

Transfers.

To take effect on the 1st proximo:

Assistant Foreman Robert Wray, Engine Co. No. 16 to Engine Co. No. 1.

Assistant Foreman George Henderson, Engine Co. No. 13 to Engine Co. No. 16.

Assistant Foreman Thomas H. Rogers, Engine Co. No. 1 to Engine Co. No. 13.

Assistant Engineer of Steamer Patrick J. Byrnes, Engine Co. No. 27 to Engine Co. No. 2.

Fireman Henry Jones, Hook and Ladder Co. No. 3 to Engine Co. No. 28.

Fireman John Leddy, Engine Co. No. 28 to Hook and Ladder Co. No. 3.

Fireman Henry Ehler, Engine Co. No. 12 to Engine Co. No. 17.

Fireman William Bannen, Engine Co. No. 17 to Hook and Ladder Co. No. 9.

Fireman William West, Engine Co. No. 1 to Engine Co. No. 2.

Fireman John Newman, Engine Co. No. 2 to Engine Co. No. 1.

Fireman George Davis, Engine Co. No. 4 to Engine Co. No. 22.

Bills Audited,

and ordered to be sent to the Comptroller for payment:

For the current year—

Schedule No. 7.

Blackwood, R. A., new apparatus, etc. \$212 20

Blair, John J., buildings. 158 13

Chovey, Charles L., & Co., new apparatus, etc. 167 50

Claffin, H. B., & Co., new apparatus, etc. 14 40

Composite Iron Works Co., buildings. 126 00

Dahlman, Isaac H., new apparatus, etc. 700 00

Egan, P. H., buildings. 515 95

Feigel, M., & Bro., new apparatus, etc. 17 42

French, Samuel G., " 307 35

Hilton, E. G., 122 20

Hovey, George & Son, " 6 00

Jube, John P., & Co., " 12 00

Lee, William H., " 72 42

Mehrbach, Isaac, " 700 00

Pearce & Jones, " 29 45

Siney & Langstroth, " 240 85

Smith, Woodbridge, " 181 70

Taylor, J. Monroe, " 34 40

Tillotson, L. G., & Co., " 99 51

Wright, R. J., " 56 35

\$3,773 83

Adjourned.

W. B. WHITE,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

NEW YORK, March 1, 1875.

The following comprises the operations of the Department of Buildings for the week ending February 27, 1875.

W. W. ADAMS,
Superintendent of Buildings.

BUREAU OF INSPECTION OF BUILDINGS.

New Buildings.

No. of plans and specifications filed, etc.	23
No. of buildings embraced in same	37
Classified, as follows:	
First-class dwellings	8
Second-class dwellings	1
French-flats	2
Tenement houses	20
Third-class stores	1
Manufactories and workshops	1
Stables	3
Frame buildings in Upper Districts	1
Total	37

Plans passed upon, including those previously filed	28
Approved	19
Amended and approved	3
Disapproved	1
Pending	5
Total	28

Altered Buildings.

No. of plans and specifications filed	28
No. of buildings embraced in same	32

Classified, as follows:	
First-class dwellings	1
Second-class dwellings	3
French-flats	1
Tenement houses	13
Hotels and boarding-houses	2
First-class stores	2
Second-class stores	2
Manufactories and workshops	1
Public buildings	1
Frame buildings	6
Total	32

Buildings examined and plans relating thereto passed upon, including those previously filed	40
Approved	26
Disapproved	2
Pending	12
Total	40

Special Applications.

Number filed and examinations made	15
Approved	6
Disapproved	1
Pending	8

Total	15
ROBERT McGINNIS, Chief of Bureau.	

BUREAU OF VIOLATIONS AND APPLICATIONS.

Operations for the week ending Feb. 27, 1875:

Complaints received from outside sources. 10

Violations of the law reported. 10

" " removed. 7

Unsafe buildings reported. 32

" " made safe. 21

" " taken down. 2

Surveys held on unsafe buildings. 0

Violation cases sent to the attorney for prosecution. 2

Unsafe building cases sent to the attorney for prosecution. 0

Violation notices served. 16

Unsafe building notices served. 26

Buildings surveyed as to general condition. 294

The classification of the unsafe buildings reported is as follows:

Unsafe chimneys	10
" floors	2
" walls	11
" generally	6
" columns	2
" awning	1
Total	32

ANDREW OWENS,
Chief of Bureau.

BUREAU OF FIRE-ESCAPES AND IRON WORK.

Abstract of operations during the week ending February 27, 1875:

Buildings reported for fire-escapes. 34

Fire-escapes provided. 32

Arch girders tested (approved). 4

Iron beams tested (approved). 13

Iron lintels tested. 0

Appointments.

1875.

Feb. 1—Thomas Cogan, Inspector, Bureau of Violations and Applications.

Feb. 1—James P. Dooner, Inspector, Bureau of Violations and Applications.

Feb. 1—W. T. Weeks, Inspector, Bureau of Violations and Applications.

POLICE DEPARTMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK,
PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE,
No. 300 MULBERRY STREET,
NEW YORK, February 17, 1875.

EIGHTEENTH AUCTION SALE OF UNCLAIMED PROPERTY.

AMOS STOKEY, Auctioneer.

THE EIGHTEENTH SALE OF UNCLAIMED property will take place at 300 Mulberry street, March 2, 1875, at 10 A. M., consisting of miscellaneous articles: boat, rope, lead, furniture, harness, tea, blankets, segars, liquor, male and female clothing, boots, shoes, watches, jewelry, plated ware, revolvers, pistols, etc., etc.; also, by order Board of Police, a lot of old iron, iron beds, small engine, sash doors, etc.; also, by order of Inspector, several lots of furniture, held for cartage.

C. A. ST. JOHN,
Property Clerk.

DEPARTMENT PUBLIC PARKS.

NEW WOODEN DRAW IN CENTRAL BRIDGE.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
36 UNION SQUARE,
NEW YORK, Feb. 17, 1875.

PROPOSALS, IN SEALED ENVELOPES, WILL be received at the office of the above-named Department, until Wednesday, the 2d day of March, 1875, at the hour of 9:30 o'clock A. M., when they will be publicly opened, for the construction and placing in proper position of a new Draw in the Central or Macomb's Dam Bridge, over the Harlem river.

The work to be completed on or before the 30th day of April, 1875, in accordance with the specifications, which can be seen, and all necessary information obtained at the office of the Engineer in charge of the Bureau of Construction, at the above address.

The approximate estimate of the Engineer, of the quantities of new materials required in the Draw and the supports on fixed Spans, and by which the bids will be tested, is as follows:

4,000 feet, board measure, white oak timber.
39,000 " " pine timber.
26,000 " " yellow pine timber.
16,000 " " spruce timber.
5,000 pounds of wrought iron.

Contractors must submit only prices for the above-mentioned materials, which prices are to cover the entire cost of the work.

No proposal will be considered unless accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two responsible householders or freeholders of the City of New York, their respective places of business or residences being named, to the effect that they will become bound as sureties in the sum of five thousand dollars for the faithful performance of the contract, should it be awarded upon that proposal.

Each proposal must state the name and place of residence of the person making the same; the names of all persons interested with him therein; that it is made without collusion with any other person making an estimate for the same work; and that no member of the Common Council or other officer of the Corporation is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in any portion of the profits thereof.

The Department reserves the right to reject any or all proposals. Proposed sureties must verify their consent before a Judge of a Court of Record in the County of New York.

Forms of proposals may be obtained, and the terms of the contract (settled as required by law) seen at the office of the Secretary, as above.

Proposals must be addressed to the President of the Department of Public Parks, and indorsed "Proposals for Draw, Central Bridge."

H. G. STEBBINS, President,
WILLIAM R. MARTIN,
DAVID B. WILLIAMSON,
THOMAS E. STEWART,
Commissioners D. P. P.

W. M. IRWIN,
Secretary D. P. P.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

PROPOSALS FOR \$985,600 STOCKS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AT the Comptroller's Office, until Thursday, March 4, 1875, at 2 o'clock P. M., when the same will be publicly opened, for the whole or any part of the sum of \$985,600 of Stocks of the City of New York, to wit:

Assessment Fund Stock, authorized by section 7 of chapter 565 of the Laws of 1865, and as provided by chapter 304 of the Laws of 1874, principal payable November 1, 1910, and interest, at six per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, on the first day of May and November..... \$685,600 00

Assessment Fund Stock, as above, principal payable in amounts of \$100,000, in one, two, and three years, respectively, and interest, at six per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, on the first day of May and November..... 300,000 00

Total..... \$985,600 00

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

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

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

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

ANDREW H. GREEN,
Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK,
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
February 19, 1875.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
ROTUNDA, COURT-HOUSE,
NEW YORK, February 18, 1875.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED FEBRUARY 5, 1875.

Regulating, grading, setting curb, gutters and flagging Seventy-fifth street, from Fifth avenue to the East river.

All payments made on the above assessment on or before the 19th day of April, 1875, will be exempt (according to law) from interest. After that date interest will be charged at the rate of seven (7) per cent. from the date of confirmation.

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

SPENCER KIRBY,
Collector of Assessments.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
ROTUNDA, COURT-HOUSE,
NEW YORK, February 5, 1875.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED JANUARY 5, 1875.

Opening a new street, running parallel to One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, from Kingsbridge road, across Tenth avenue, to the Boulevard, near the Harlem river.

All payments made on the above assessment on or before the 6th day of April, 1875, will be exempt (according to law) from interest. After that date interest will be charged at the rate of seven (7) per cent. from the date of confirmation.

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

SPENCER KIRBY,
Collector of Assessments.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST.,
NEW YORK, February 17, 1875.

PROPOSALS FOR 2,000 TONS OF COAL.

PROPOSALS, SEALED AND INDORSED AS above, will be received from producers, by the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, at their office, until 10 o'clock A. M. of the third day of March, 1875, at which time they will be publicly opened, for furnishing and delivering two thousand tons of White Ash Coal of the best quality, to be well screened and in good order, and each ton to consist of 2,240 pounds. All of said Coal to be delivered in about the following sizes and quantities, free of all expenses, at the following places, immediately after the award of the contract, in such quantities as may be called for:

At Ward's Island—

For Insane Asylum, 350 tons grate.

For Inebriate Asylum, 175 tons grate.

At foot of East Twenty-sixth street, East river—

For Bellevue Hospital, 350 tons grate.

For steamboats, 150 tons grate.

At Hart's Island—

For Convalescent Hospital, 50 tons grate.

For Industrial School, 50 tons grate.

At Blackwell's Island—

875 tons grate coal.

Proposals to state the particular description of coal to be delivered as known, in the market, from what mine produced, and all particulars, to enable the Board to arrive at a proper decision.

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

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

The Department of Public Charities and Correction reserve the right to decline any and all proposals if deemed to be for the public interest, and no proposal will be accepted from, or a contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is defaulter, as security or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

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

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

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
CORNER OF THIRD AVE. AND ELEVENTH ST.,
NEW YORK, March 1, 1875.

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

At New York City Asylum for Insane, Ward's Island—John E. Coulter; age 45 years; 5 feet 9 inches high; gray hair; blue eyes. This patient was transferred from old Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's Island, and had on Corporation clothing. There has been no person to visit him, nor could any information be obtained of his friends or relatives, except the name of a friend in Carmine, Illinois, to whom the usual death notice was sent. No effects found on his person.

By order.

JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST.,
NEW YORK, February 25, 1875.

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

At N. Y. City Asylum for Insane, Ward's Island, February 23, 1875—Patrick Mannis; age, 67 years; 5 feet high; gray hair and eyes. This patient was transferred from Alms-house, July 18, 1874, and had on Corporation clothing. There has been no person to visit him, nor could any information be obtained of his friends or relatives. No effects found on his person.

At N. Y. City Asylum for Insane, Ward's Island, February 23, 1875—Charles Staffin, alias Stafford; age, 35 years; 5 feet 4 inches high; brown hair; blue eyes. Had on, when admitted, two black coats, dark pants, two vests, two knitted shirts, black cap. This patient was transferred from City Prison, October 2, 1874, with address of a friend in Pittsburg, Pa., to whom the usual death notice has been sent. There has been no person to visit him, nor could any information be obtained in regard to his relatives. No effects found on his person.

By Order.

JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

SUPREME COURT.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Parks, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of Willis avenue, from One Hundred and Forty-seventh street to Third avenue; One Hundred and Forty-eighth street, from Third avenue to St. Ann's avenue; One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, from Third avenue to the Southern Boulevard; and One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street, from Elton avenue to Third avenue, as the same were established by the Commissioners appointed under chapter 841, Laws of 1868.

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CONFIRMED FEBRUARY 27, 1875.

E. DELAFIELD SMITH,
Counsel to the Corporation,
No. 2 Tryon Row.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Works, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street, from the westerly line of the Kingsbridge road, to the easterly line of Eleventh avenue; One Hundred and Fifty-seventh street, from the westerly line of the Road or Public Drive, near the Harlem river, to the easterly line of Eleventh avenue; One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, from the westerly line of the Kingsbridge road, to the easterly line of Eleventh avenue; One Hundred and Fifty-ninth street, from the westerly line of the Road or Public Drive, near the Harlem river, to the easterly line of Eleventh avenue.

PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES OF THE STATE of New York, in such case made and provided, the Department of Public Works, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, hereby gives notice that the Counsel to the Corporation of said City will apply to the Supreme Court in the First Judicial District of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held in the Chambers thereof, in the New Court-house, in the City of New York, on the twenty-fifth day of March, A. D. 1875, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter.

The nature and extent of the improvement hereby intended is the opening of One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street, from the westerly line of the Kingsbridge road to the easterly line of Eleventh avenue; One Hundred and Fifty-seventh street, from the westerly line of the Road or Public Drive, near the Harlem river, to the easterly line of Eleventh avenue; One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, from the westerly line of the Kingsbridge road to the easterly line of Eleventh avenue; One Hundred and Fifty-ninth street, from the westerly line of the Road or Public Drive, near the Harlem river, to the easterly line of Eleventh avenue.

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Counsel to the Corporation,
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In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Works, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of Seventy-third street, from the easterly line of Fifth avenue, to the East river, in the City of New York.

PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES OF THE STATE of New York, in such case made and provided, the Department of Public Works, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, hereby gives notice that the Counsel to the Corporation of said City will apply to the Supreme Court in the First Judicial District of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held at the Chambers thereof, in the New Court-house, in the City of New York, on Thursday, the twenty-fifth day of March, A. D. 1875, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

OFFICE CLERK OF THE COMMON COUNCIL,
No. 8 CITY HALL,
THE STATED SESSIONS OF THE BOARD OF
Aldermen will be held in their Chamber, room No.
15, City Hall, on Thursday of each week, at 2 o'clock, P.M.
SAMUEL A. LEWIS,
President.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY,
Clerk.

OFFICE CLERK OF COMMON COUNCIL,
No. 8 CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, January 9, 1875.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE COMPTROLLER, the Commissioner of Public Works, the Corporation Counsel, and the President of each Department of the City Government, pursuant to the provisions of section 5 of chapter 335, Laws of 1873, that the Board of Aldermen have designated Thursday of each week, at 2 o'clock P.M., as the time for holding the regular meetings of the Board.

The Board meets in Room No. 15, City Hall.
FRANCIS J. TWOMEY,
Clerk.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN,
NEW YORK, February 27, 1875.

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE WILL MEET hereafter every Wednesday, at 3 o'clock P.M., at No. 9 City Hall, for the transaction of such public business as may be referred to the Committee.

MAGNUS GROSS,
W. L. COLE,
PATRICK LYSAGHT,
S. B. H. VANCE,
JOHN J. MORRIS,
Committee on Finance.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY,
Clerk.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN,
NEW YORK, February 4, 1875.

THE COMMITTEE ON FERRIES WILL MEET every Monday, at No. 9, City Hall, at 2 o'clock, for the consideration of all subjects referred to the consideration of the Committee.

ROBERT POWER,
JOHN REILLY,
HENRY E. HOWLAND,
Committee on Ferries.

F. J. TWOMEY,
Clerk.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN,
No. 9 CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, February 26, 1875.

THE COMMITTEE ON RAILROADS WILL meet on Tuesday, March 2, at 2 o'clock P.M.
ANDREW BLESSING,
J. WILLIAM GUNTZER,
HENRY E. HOWLAND,
Committee on Railroads.

F. J. TWOMEY,
Clerk.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN,
NEW YORK, January 30, 1875.

THE COMMITTEE ON STREETS OF THE Board of Aldermen will meet every Monday, at 2 o'clock, P.M., at No. 9 City Hall, for the transaction of such business as may be referred to the Committee.

J. W. GUNTZER,
PATRICK LYSAGHT,
S. N. SIMONSON,
Committee on Streets.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY,
Clerk.

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COMMON COUNCIL,
No. 8 CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, January 15, 1875.

NOTICE.—THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS of the Board of Aldermen will meet every Monday, at 3 P.M., in Room No. 9, City Hall, for the consideration of such subjects as may have been referred for its action.

JOHN REILLY,
EDWARD J. SHANLEY,
JOHN J. MORRIS,
Committee on Public Works.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY,
Clerk.

OFFICE CLERK OF THE COMMON COUNCIL,
No. 8 CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, January 20, 1875.

NOTICE.—THE COMMITTEE ON STREET PAVEMENTS of the Board of Aldermen will meet hereafter every Wednesday, at 2 o'clock P.M., in Room No. 9, City Hall, for the consideration of such subjects as may have been referred to the Committee.

PETER SEERY,
WM. H. McCARTHY,
CHESTER H. SOUTHWORTH,
Committee on Street Pavements.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY,
Clerk.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the School Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, at the Hall of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, until Thursday, the 11th day of March, 1875, and until 9½ o'clock A.M. on said day, for the mason's materials and work for a new school building to be erected on the north side of West Fifty-fourth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues.

Proposals must be indorsed—"Proposal for Mason Work." Two responsible and approved sureties, residents of this city, will be required from the successful bidder. Proposals will not be considered unless sureties are named.

The name of the party or firm submitting a proposal must be indorsed on the outside of the envelope containing said proposal.

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

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

JOEL W. MASON,
JOHN MORGAN,
JAS. R. CUMING,
ADNA H. UNDERHILL,
WALTER CARTER,
Board of School Trustees, Twenty-second Ward.

Dated New York, February 25, 1875.

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,
CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS,
NEW YORK, February 24, 1875.

PROPOSALS FOR AWNING REQUIRED FOR THE SHIP ST. MARY'S, NAUTICAL SCHOOL.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the undersigned at this office, until the 12th day of March next, at four o'clock, P.M., for furnishing the Nautical School-ship St. Mary's with a complete set of Awnings and Side Curtains.

For particulars and scale drawings apply to the Superintendent of the School, on board the ship, at the foot of East Twenty-third street.

DAVID WETMORE,
WM. DOWD,
J. D. VERMILYEE,
JAS. SELIGMAN,
A. J. MATHEWSON,
Executive Committee on Nautical School.

L. D. KIERNAN,
Clerk.

THE CITY RECORD.

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

CORPORATION NOTICES.

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

For building Outer Sewer in Seventeenth street, from the Hudson river to and through Eleventh avenue and Twenty-third street, to near Tenth avenue; and Seventeenth street, from Eleventh avenue, to and through Tenth avenue to Fourteenth street, with branches.

The limits embraced by such assessments include all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land, situated on all the property from Twelfth to Forty-first street, and from Broadway and Fourth avenue to Thirteenth avenue.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections in writing to Thomas B. Asten, Chairman of the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 19 Chatham street, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

THOMAS B. ASTEN,
JOHN McHARG,
VALENTINE S. WOODRUFF,
JOHN MULLALY,
Board of Assessors.

OFFICE, BOARD OF ASSESSORS, No. 19 Chatham street, NEW YORK, Feb. 15, 1875.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FOLLOWING ASSESSMENT LISTS have been received by the Board of Assessors from the Commissioner of Public Works for the year 1875:

No. 1. Sewer in Greenwich street, between Charlton and King streets.

No. 2. Sewer on east side of Hudson street, between Charlton and King streets.

No. 3. Sewer in Greenwich street, between King and West Houston streets.

No. 4. Sewer in Washington street, between West Tenth and Charles streets.

No. 5. Sewer in Laight street, between Varick and Hudson streets.

No. 6. Regulating, grading, curb and gutter and flagging One Hundred and Eighth street, from Fifth avenue to the East river.

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

No. 1. Both sides of Greenwich street, from Charlton to King street.

No. 2. East side of Hudson street, from Charlton to King street.

No. 3. Both sides of Greenwich street, from King to West Houston street.

No. 4. Both sides of Washington street, from West Tenth to Charles street.

No. 5. Both sides of Laight street, from Varick to Hudson street.

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

THOMAS B. ASTEN,
OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS, No. 19 Chatham street, NEW YORK, Feb. 15, 1875.

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

No. 1. For building sewer in Ninety-sixth street, between Tenth avenue and the Hudson river.

No. 2. For building sewers in Sixth avenue, between One Hundred and Sixteenth and One Hundred and Twenty-fifth streets, and in Seventh avenue, between One Hundred and Sixteenth and One Hundred and Twenty-first streets, and in One Hundred and Twenty-first street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, with branches.

No. 3. For building sewers in Sixth avenue, between One Hundred and Twenty-ninth and One Hundred and Forty-seventh streets, with branches.

No. 4. For laying Belgian pavement in Eighty-fourth street, from Avenue A to Third avenue, and from Fourth to Fifth avenue.

No. 5. For laying Belgian pavement in Eighty-first street, between Second and Fourth avenues.

No. 6. For laying Belgian pavement in First avenue, from Sixty-first to Ninety-second street.

No. 7. For regulating, grading, curb and gutter and flagging Madison avenue, from One Hundred and Twenty-fourth street to Harlem river.

No. 8. For building basin on northeast corner of Thirty-third street and First avenue.

No. 9. For building basin on southeast corner of Thirty-third street and First avenue.

No. 10. For building sewer in Spring street, between Broadway and Crosby street.

The limits embraced by such Assessment include all the several Houses and Lots of Ground, Vacant Lots, pieces and parcels of Land, situated on

No. 1. All the property from Ninety-first street to One Hundred and Sixth street, between Eighth avenue and the Hudson river, and from One Hundred and Sixth to One Hundred and Sixteenth street, between Ninth and Eleventh avenues.

No. 2. All the property from One Hundred and Sixteenth to One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, from Ninth to Eleventh avenue, to the extent of half the block from the Eighth avenue.

No. 3. All the property from One Hundred and Forty-seventh feet east of Sixth avenue to the westerly line of the Seventh avenue.

No. 4. Both sides of Eighty-fourth street, from Avenue A to Third avenue, and from Fourth to Fifth avenue to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 5. Both sides of Eighty-first street, from Second to Fourth avenue, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 6. Both sides of First avenue, from Sixty-first to Ninety-second street, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 7. Both sides of Madison avenue, from One Hundred and Twenty-fourth to One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 8. All the property on the northerly side of Thirty-third street, between First avenue and the East river, to the extent of half the block.

No. 9. All the property on the southerly side of Thirty-third street, between First avenue and the East river, and on the east side of First avenue, between Thirty-second and Thirty-third streets.

No. 10. Both sides of Spring street, between Broadway and Crosby street.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections in writing to Thomas B. Asten, Chairman of the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 19 Chatham street, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

THOMAS B. ASTEN,
JOHN McHARG,
VALENTINE S. WOODRUFF,
JOHN MULLALY,
Board of Assessors.

OFFICE, BOARD OF ASSESSORS, No. 19 Chatham street, NEW YORK, Feb. 11, 1875.

SALE OF LANDS FOR UNPAID ASSESSMENTS.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY THE UNDESIGNED, Collector of Assessments, appointed by the Comptroller of the City of New York, pursuant to provisions of chapter 613 of the Laws of 1873, that payment is required of the several amounts of assessments, interest, and charges upon the lots, premises, and parcels of land, as hereinabove set forth, within sixty days from the date of this notice, to wit: On or before the thirtieth day of April, 1875, at the office of the Collector, corner of Mott street and Railroad avenue, Tremont, Twenty-fourth Ward, New York City; and if default is made in the payment of the said amounts, the property which is the subject of such assessments, as hereinabove described, will be sold at public auction, at my office, Tremont, on the thirtieth day of April, at 2 o'clock P.M., for the lowest term of years which any person or persons shall offer to take the same, in consideration of advancing the assessments, commissions, interest, charges of notice and advertisements, and all other costs and charges of sale accrued thereon. Office hours, from 9 A.M. to 4 P.M. on Friday of each week.

CHARLES CLARK,
Collector of Assessments,
Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.

Dated March 1, 1875.

ASSESSMENT FOR ERECTING LAMP-POSTS TWENTY-FOURTH WARD, LATE TOWN OF WEST FARMS.

Sub Lamp District in General Lamp District No. 3.

CENTRAL AVENUE, SOUTH.

LOT NO. NAME ASSESS-
MENT.

INWOOD.

301 Unknown \$3 87
302 do 3 87
303 do 3 87
304 do 2 58
311 do 2 58
312 do 2 58

STIBBINS' ESTATE MAP.

36 Unknown 3 87
37 do 3 87
38 do 3 87
39 do 3 87

MOUNT EDEN.

17 Unknown 2 06
22 do 2 58
23 do 6 44
25 do 3 09
28 do 6 44
49 do 2 06
53 do 5 15

TOWNSEND POOLE MAP.

58 Unknown 3 87
61 do 11 59
62 do 12 88
63 do 12 88
64 do 14 17
73 do 12 88
74 do 12 88

SOUTH FORDHAM.

A Unknown 5 15
B do 14 17
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E do 24 47
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Central ave. plot do 19 32
do 21 33

LORING ANDREWS' MAP.

1 Unknown 14 22
21 do 17 78
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102 do 17 78

CHAS. BEERIAN FARM.