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BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK, MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, Tuesday, October 5, 1897, 11 o'clock A. M.

The Board met in pursuance of an adjournment.

Present—William L. Strong, the Mayor; Ashbel P. Fitch, the Comptroller; Edward P. Barker, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments; Francis M. Scott, the Counsel to the Corporation.

Absent—John Jeroloman, the President of the Board of Aldermen.

The minutes of the meetings held September 29 and October 4, 1897, were read and approved.

The subject of the proposed alterations and changes to the City Hall was taken up for consideration.

The Commissioner of Public Works and John H. Duncan, architect, appeared and presented plans and specifications therefor.

Debate was had thereon, whereupon the Comptroller offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 632 of the Laws of 1897, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the plans and specifications for alterations and changes to the City Hall, submitted by Mr. John H. Duncan, architect, and that the Commissioner of Public Works be and is hereby authorized to proceed with the execution of the work, and to submit to this Board for its approval the names of builders and contractors who are to be invited to submit bids therefor; and

Resolved, That, for the purpose of providing means therefor, including architect's fees and other necessary incidental expenses, the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized to issue Revenue Bonds of the City of New York to the amount of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000), bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum, and redeemable from the proceeds of the tax levy of the year succeeding the year of their issue.

Which were adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—4.

The Comptroller presented the following:

HEALTH DEPARTMENT—CENTRE, ELM, WHITE AND FRANKLIN STREETS, CRIMINAL COURT BUILDING, NEW YORK, September 25, 1897. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller, New York City:

SIR—Inclosed herewith please find pay-rolls for audit and payment on account of Revenue Bond Fund, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 535, Laws of 1893: Life Saving Corps, \$480, as per resolution of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment dated May 6, 1897. Vaccinators, \$756.70, as per resolution of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment dated September 1, 1897.

Very respectfully,

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 535 of the Laws of 1893, the following pay-rolls of the Health Department for the month of September, 1897, amounting in the aggregate to one thousand two hundred and thirty-six dollars and seventy cents (\$1,236.70), be and the same are hereby approved:

Life Saving Corps, under appropriation of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of May 6, 1897, \$480. Vaccinators, under appropriation of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of September 1, 1897, \$756.70—\$1,236.70—and that the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized to pay the amounts thereon approved and certified to be due to the persons entitled thereto, and to issue Revenue Bonds of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York to the amount of one thousand two hundred and thirty-six dollars and seventy cents (\$1,236.70) for the payment thereof, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three per cent. per annum, and the amount required for the redemption thereof to be included in the Final Estimate for 1898.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—4.

The following communication was received:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, NEW YORK, July 23, 1897. Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Mayor, and Chairman Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

DEAR SIR—I have the honor to recommend, and to ask your Board to authorize, the repaving of the following streets with asphalt on the present pavement, in pursuance of chapter 87 of the Laws of 1897:

	APPROXIMATE AREA, SQUARE YARDS.	ESTIMATED COST.
Wall st., from the east side of Hanover st. to the east side of Pearl st.	840	\$3,360 00
64th st., from Park to 3d ave.	2,923	9,353 60
65th st., from 3d to Lexington ave.	1,495	4,784 00
65th st., from Lexington to Park ave.	1,428	4,509 60
83d st., from 5th to Madison ave.	1,450	4,640 00
68th st., from 1st to 2d ave.	2,243	7,065 45
68th st., from 2d to 3d ave.	2,133	6,718 95
51st st., from 6th to 8th ave.	5,300	17,225 00
82d st., from Columbus ave. to Boulevard	4,213	13,692 25
74th st., from 1st to Park ave.	7,300	23,300 00
68th st., from Central Park, West, to Columbus ave.	2,783	9,044 75
48th st., from 8th to 11th ave.	8,300	26,500 00
49th st., from 7th to 8th ave.	2,535	8,112 00
85th st., from Central Park, West, to Amsterdam ave.	5,550	18,037 50
Totals	48,463	\$150,523 10
West side of Boulevard, from 108th to 110th st.

Very respectfully, CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner of Public Works.

Referred to the Comptroller.

A communication from Michael Kelly, Secretary of the Order of Knights of Labor, requesting a hearing before the Board, in relation to the compensation of Paving Inspectors, was received.

On motion, the Clerk was directed to notify Mr. Kelly that this Board will meet on Tuesday, October 12, 1897, at eleven o'clock A. M., when an opportunity will be afforded him to be heard relative thereto.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER, Secretary.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK, MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, Tuesday, October 12, 1897, 11 o'clock A. M.

The Board met in pursuance of a resolution adopted September 23, 1897, for the purpose of considering the Provisional Estimate for the year 1898.

Present—William L. Strong, the Mayor; Ashbel P. Fitch, the Comptroller; John Jeroloman, the President of the Board of Aldermen; Edward P. Barker, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments; Francis M. Scott, the Counsel to the Corporation.

The reading of the minutes of the meeting held October 5, 1897, was dispensed with.

The following communication was received:

NEW YORK CITY, October 9, 1897. Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Chairman, Board of Estimate and Apportionment, New York City:

DEAR SIR—I recommend that the following persons, in the branches of work named, be appointed Consulting Engineers in the construction and equipment of the new Hall of Records: For heating and ventilation, Alfred R. Wolff; for electric equipment, C. O. Mailloux; for structural steel and iron and foundations, Lewinson & Just; for plumbing, Albert L. Webster.

Their compensation should be five per cent. upon the cost of the work upon which they are employed, except that in the case of the Engineers of the structural steel and iron work and foundations the commission should be computed upon the cost of the structural steel and iron work alone, and not upon the cost of the other materials which enter into the construction of the foundations.

I am, very respectfully yours,

JOHN R. THOMAS.

Referred to the Comptroller.

The Comptroller presented the following:

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS, NEW YORK, October 11, 1897. To the Board of Education:

The Finance Committee respectfully reports, that the Committee on Supplies has requested a

transfer of \$1,000 to the fund for 1896, entitled "Incidental Expenses of the Board of Education," it being found that said fund is insufficient to meet its requirements. The following resolution is therefore submitted for adoption:

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and it is hereby respectfully requested to transfer the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) from the fund for the year 1896, entitled "Salaries of City Superintendent and Assistants," which is in excess of its requirements, to the fund for same year entitled "Incidental Expenses of the Board of Education," which appropriation is insufficient for the purposes thereof.

A true copy of report and resolution adopted by the Board of Education on October 6, 1897.

ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk of the Board of Education.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) be and hereby is transferred from the appropriation made to the Board of Education for the year 1896, entitled "Public Instruction—For Salaries of City Superintendent and Assistants," the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes thereof, to the appropriation made to the said Board for 1896, entitled "Public Instruction—For Incidental Expenses of the Board of Education," the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS, NEW YORK, October 11, 1897. To the Board of Education:

The Finance Committee respectfully reports: That a number of bills for expert witnesses and special counsel employed on school sites by the Counsel to the Corporation have been received and referred to this Committee at this session of the Board. The fund appropriation by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on July 28, 1897, will be insufficient for the purpose of defraying these expenses; it is therefore recommended that application be made to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for additional means to cover these and such other bills of like nature as may be hereafter presented. The following resolution is submitted for adoption:

Resolved, That the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) be and the same is hereby appropriated from the proceeds of bonds, to be issued by the Comptroller, with the approval of a majority of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, pursuant to chapter 728 of the Laws of 1896, application for the issue of which is hereby made; said sum to be applied in payment of bills of costs, expert witnesses et al. in connection with the acquisition of new sites; requisition for which sum is hereby made upon the Comptroller.

A true copy of report and resolution adopted by the Board of Education on October 6, 1897.

ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk of the Board of Education.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 728 of the Laws of 1896, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the requisition of the Board of Education by resolution adopted October 6, 1897, for the issue of School-house Bonds to the amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), for the purpose of paying bills of costs, expert witnesses et al., in connection with the acquisition of new sites; and

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and hereby is authorized to issue such bonds to the amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), as aforesaid, to be known as Consolidated Stock of the City of New York, as provided by section 132 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, redeemable in not less than ten nor more than fifty years from the date of issue, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum.

Which were adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS, NEW YORK, October 11, 1897. To the Board of Education:

The Finance Committee, to which was referred the communication from the Committee on Buildings, recommending an award of contract for erecting a new school building on Fordham avenue, City Island, respectfully reports: That, in response to the usual duly authorized advertisement, the following bids were received:

Thomas Dwyer, \$58,236; John New & Son, \$59,703; Harry McNally, \$55,100; Quincy & Crawford, \$54,900; H. Probst, \$53,906; Cornelius & Patrick Ryan, \$59,450; P. Gallagher, \$65,187; William Henderson, \$60,199; John F. Johnson, \$57,900.

The Committee recommends that the award be made to the lowest bidder, in which action the Finance Committee concurs, and submits for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That of the sum of fifty-nine thousand dollars (\$59,000) appropriated by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on August 18, 1896, from the proceeds of bonds to be issued by the Comptroller pursuant to chapter 88 of the Laws of 1895, for the purpose of erecting a school building at City Island, contract for which was subsequently refused to be undertaken by James O'Toole, contractor, to whom the award was made, the sum of fifty-three thousand nine hundred and six dollars (\$53,906) be and the same is hereby appropriated, subject to the approval of a majority of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, said sum to be applied in payment of a contract to be entered into by the Committee on Buildings, for and on behalf of the Board of Education, with H. Probst, for erecting a new school building on Fordham avenue, City Island, requisition for which sum is hereby made upon the Comptroller.

But no part of said appropriation authorized by this resolution to be paid until the Committee on Buildings shall have filed the contract to be entered into by it with the contractor named, to whom the award is made; said contract to be in such form, and with such security for the faithful performance of the same as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, the rules of this Board in regard thereto, and as to the payments to be made on account thereof, to be complied with.

A true copy of report and resolution adopted by the Board of Education on October 6, 1897.

ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk of the Board of Education.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the requisition of the Board of Education by resolution adopted October 6, 1897, for the application and use of fifty-three thousand, nine hundred and six dollars (\$53,906), for the payment of a contract to be entered into by the Committee on Buildings for and on behalf of the Board of Education with H. Probst, for erecting a new school building on Fordham avenue, City Island, said sum being part of the appropriation made by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on August 18, 1896, from the proceeds of bonds to be issued by the Comptroller, pursuant to chapter 88 of the Laws of 1895, to the amount of fifty-nine thousand dollars (\$59,000), for the purpose of erecting a school building at City Island.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS, NEW YORK, October 11, 1897. To the Board of Education:

The Finance Committee respectfully reports: That the bond appropriation of \$1,000 for draughting supplies for the preparation of plans for new school buildings, etc. (authorized by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on March 6, 1895), is exhausted, and a renewal of said appropriation has been requested, the sum of \$2,500 being deemed necessary and requisite.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption:

Resolved, That, subject to the approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) be and the same is hereby appropriated from premiums derived from the sale of School-house Bonds; said sum to be expended for the purchase of supplies for the draughting department, for the preparation of plans, etc., for new school buildings, etc., requisition for which sum is hereby made upon the Comptroller.

A true copy of report and resolution adopted by the Board of Education on October 6, 1897.

ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk of the Board of Education.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the appropriation of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) from premiums derived from the sale of School-house Bonds, said sum to be applied in the purchase of supplies for the draughting department, for the preparation of plans, etc., for school buildings, etc., as specified in the resolution relating thereto adopted by the Board of Education October 6, 1897.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President

of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS, NEW YORK, October 11, 1897. *To the Board of Education:*

The Committee on Buildings respectfully reports: That, at a meeting of your committee held August 30, 1897, it was decided that, owing to the condition of Webster avenue in front of Public School 64, a request be made to the Hon. Louis F. Haffen, Commissioner of Street Improvements, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, to have the entire width of the avenue in front of this school paved with asphalt, as the school sessions were seriously interfered with by the noise of traffic, etc., and a resolution to that effect was adopted by this Board on September 8, 1897, and forwarded to Mr. Haffen. A communication has since been received from him stating that he had requested the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to make a suitable appropriation for this work, and suggesting that the Board of Education aid in obtaining such appropriation.

The following resolution is therefore offered for adoption:

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment is hereby requested to approve of an appropriation sufficient to pave the entire width of Webster avenue in front of Public School 64 with asphalt, as the present condition of the avenue is a detriment to the school in that the noise of traffic, etc., seriously interferes with school sessions.

A true copy of report and resolution adopted by the Board of Education on October 6, 1897.

ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk of the Board of Education.

Ordered on file.

The Comptroller presented the following:

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS, NEW YORK, October 11, 1897. *To the Board of Education:*

The Committee on Sites, to which was referred the following communication:

LAW DEPARTMENT—OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, NEW YORK, October 6, 1897. *Hon. CHARLES BULKLEY HUBBELL, President, Board of Education:*

SIR—I have transmitted to the Comptroller a certified copy of the report of the Commissioners of Estimate in the matter of acquiring title to certain lands on the northerly side of Fifty-fourth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, in the Twenty-second Ward, as a site for school purposes, together with a certified copy of an order of the Supreme Court bearing date the 6th day of October, 1897, and filed and entered in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 6th day of October, 1897, confirming said report.

The amount of the award is \$33,000, and the costs, charges and expenses of the proceeding (other than the fees of expert witnesses) were taxed at the sum of \$1,238.55.

Respectfully yours, FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation.

—respectfully reports: That it appears from the report and order made in said proceeding that the amount of the award and of the costs, charges and expenses (other than the fees of expert witnesses), as confirmed by the Court, is as follows:

Lands on the northerly side of Fifty-fourth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, in the Twenty-second Ward (No. 123 West Fifty-fourth street, on east side of Public School 69), award, \$33,000; costs, charges and expenses (other than the fees of expert witnesses), \$1,238.55—total, \$34,238.55.

Your Committee, therefore, recommend for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That, in pursuance of chapter 88 of the Laws of 1895, the Comptroller of the City of New York be and he hereby is requested to issue, with the approval of a majority of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, bonds for the purpose of providing the funds to meet the expenditures necessary for the acquisition of the land and premises on the northerly side of Fifty-fourth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, in the Twenty-second Ward, as a site for school purposes, under the provisions of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, as amended by chapter 35 of the Laws of 1890, for the payment of the award, costs, charges and expenses (other than fees of expert witnesses) as confirmed by the Court, in the proceeding therefor, amounting in the aggregate to the sum of thirty-four thousand two hundred and thirty-eight dollars and fifty-five cents (\$34,238.55), the same to be paid by the said Comptroller out of the proceeds of said bonds, when issued, requisition therefor being hereby made.

A true copy of report and resolution adopted by the Board of Education October 6, 1897.

ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk of the Board of Education.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 88 of the Laws of 1895, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the requisition of the Board of Education by resolution adopted October 6, 1897, for the issue of School-house Bonds to the amount of thirty-four thousand two hundred and thirty-eight dollars and fifty-five cents (\$34,238.55), for the purpose of providing means to meet the expenditures necessary for the acquisition of the land and premises on the northerly side of Fifty-fourth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, in the Twenty-second Ward, as a site for school purposes, being amount of award, thirty-three thousand dollars; for costs, charges and expenses, one thousand two hundred and thirty-eight dollars and fifty-five cents; and

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and hereby is authorized to issue such bonds to the amount of thirty-four thousand two hundred and thirty-eight dollars and fifty-five cents (\$34,238.55), as aforesaid, to be known as Consolidated Stock of the City of New York, as provided by section 132 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, redeemable in not less than ten nor more than fifty years from the date of issue, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum.

Which were adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS, NEW YORK, September 17, 1897. *To the Board of Education:*

The Finance Committee, to which was referred the communication from the Committee on Buildings recommending an award of contract for erecting a new school building on the south side of Eighty-ninth street, two hundred feet east of Amsterdam avenue, respectfully reports: That, in response to the usual duly authorized advertisement, the following bids were received:

John F. Johnson, \$248,464; P. J. Brennan, \$233,000; Thomas Cockerill & Son, \$244,500; T. Mahoney & Sons, \$249,900; Murphy Bros., \$259,592; P. Gallagher, \$243,000; Thomas Dwyer, \$245,703; John J. Hopper, \$243,000; Wace & Hyde Co., \$249,000; James J. Looie, \$236,925.

The Committee recommends that the award be made to the lowest bidder, in which action the Finance Committee concurs, and submits for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of two hundred and thirty-three thousand dollars (\$233,000) be and the same is hereby appropriated from the proceeds of bonds to be issued by the Comptroller, with the approval of a majority of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, pursuant to chapter 728, Laws of 1896, application for the issue of which is hereby made; said sum to be applied in payment of the contract to be entered into by the Committee on Buildings for and on behalf of the Board of Education with P. J. Brennan, for erecting a new school building on the south side of Eighty-ninth street, two hundred feet east of Amsterdam avenue, requisition for which sum is hereby made upon the Comptroller.

But no part of said appropriation authorized by this resolution to be paid until this Committee on Buildings shall have filed the contract to be entered into with the contractor named, to whom the award is made; said contract to be in such form and with such security for the faithful performance of the same as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, the rules of this Board in regard thereto, and as to the payments to be made on account thereof, to be complied with.

A true copy of report and resolution adopted by the Board of Education September 15, 1897.

HENRY R. M. COOK, Deputy Clerk of the Board of Education.

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, September 21, 1897. *Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:*

SIR—The Board of Education, by resolution adopted September 15, 1897, appropriates the sum of \$233,000 from the proceeds of bonds to be issued by the Comptroller, with the approval of a majority of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, pursuant to chapter 728, Laws of 1896, said sum to be applied in payment of the contract to be entered into with P. J. Brennan for erecting a new school building on the south side of Eighty-ninth street, two hundred feet east of Amsterdam avenue.

Proposals for the above work were invited, on carefully prepared plans and specifications, by advertisement in the CITY RECORD, and ten bids were received, varying from \$233,000 to \$259,592.

The award was made to the lowest bidder, P. J. Brennan, at his bid of \$233,000, the amount appropriated.

There is no reason why the appropriation should not receive the approval of the Board.

The plot on which this school is to be erected is two hundred and fifty feet by one hundred feet and eight and one-half inches, half the depth of the block.

The building will be placed thereon so as to leave about nineteen feet at either end, with a large court-yard in the rear.

The structure is to be five stories in height, fire-proof throughout, and of steel skeleton construction. The materials of the exterior will be granite to the first-story window-sills, limestone to and including molded lintel course of first-story windows; the remainder of terra-cotta. The roof will be covered with glazed tiling.

The first story is divided into boys' and girls' play-rooms, wainscoted with glazed brick, floored with asphalt and fitted up with drinking-sinks and lavatories. Provision is made on this floor for a janitor's office and a medical inspector's room, the latter having a tiled floor and wainscoting, and being also provided with lavatories, closets, etc.

Entrance to the building for the pupils will be through large gateways at either end of the building, leading to large central openings, communicating with the main stairways, and both boys' and girls' play-rooms. There is also a main entrance in the centre of the Eighty-ninth street front.

The second, third and fourth stories have been divided so as to provide for thirty-five classrooms and one kindergarten room.

The wardrobes are all placed outside the class-rooms.

The fifth story is designed to provide for manual and physical training, lecture and reading-rooms. Ample provision is made for the sanitary arrangements for the children of both sexes who may use the upper floor.

Though not provided for in these specifications, the building is to be heated and ventilated by means of the plenum system, which will provide, to each child, thirty cubic feet of air, fresh and warm, per minute, the foul and vitiated air being removed. Each wardrobe is to have a coil of steam-pipe, which is intended to accelerate ventilation and also to dry the clothing when damp.

I inclose a perspective of the building. This drawing shows the gate entrances at the ends.

Respectfully, EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 728 of the Laws of 1896, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the requisition of the Board of Education by resolution adopted September 15, 1897, for the issue of School-house Bonds to the amount of two hundred and thirty-three thousand dollars (\$233,000), for the purpose of providing means to defray the expense of contract to be entered into by the Board of Education with P. J. Brennan, for erecting a new school building on the south side of Eighty-ninth street, two hundred feet east of Amsterdam avenue; and

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and hereby is authorized to issue such bonds to the amount of two hundred and thirty-three thousand dollars (\$233,000), as aforesaid, to be known as Consolidated Stock of the City of New York, as provided by section 132 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, redeemable in not less than ten nor more than fifty years from the date of issue, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum.

Which were adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS, NEW YORK, September 17, 1897. *To the Board of Education:*

The Committee on Buildings respectfully reports: That, in the execution of the work of carrying out contract for erecting an annex to and improving premises of Primary School No. 27, Nos. 206-210 East Forty-second street, the removal of some of the old partitions revealed a truss, which was covered up and therefore not anticipated when plans and specifications were prepared. This truss carried a girder supporting floor beams of third story, and it was necessary to substitute therefor iron columns. An estimate was obtained from the contractors, Messrs. Thomas Cockerill & Son, amounting to three hundred and thirty-eight dollars (\$338), which is considered reasonable.

The following resolution is therefore recommended for adoption:

Resolved, That the sum of three hundred and thirty-eight dollars (\$338) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from the proceeds of bonds to be issued by the Comptroller of the City of New York, with the approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 728, Laws of 1896, application for the issue of which is hereby made; said sum to be applied in payment of bill of Messrs. Thomas Cockerill & Son for extra work done in connection with their contract for erecting an annex to and improving premises of Primary School No. 27, requisition for which sum is hereby made.

A true copy of report and resolution adopted by the Board of Education on September 15, 1897.

HENRY R. M. COOK, Deputy Clerk of the Board of Education.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS, NEW YORK, September 23, 1897.

(In Board of Education, September 15, 1897.)

Commissioner Peaslee moved to reconsider the report of the Committee on Buildings, appropriating \$338 for extra work done in connection with the contract for erecting an annex to and improving premises of Primary School No. 27, etc. (Journal, pages 1621, 1622.)

Adopted.

Commissioner Peaslee moved to amend page 1588, eighth and ninth lines from the bottom of the page, by striking out the words "Primary School No. 27, Nos. 206-210 East Forty-second" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "Public School 127, Nos. 511-519 West Thirty-seventh."

Adopted.

Commissioner Peaslee moved to amend page 1589, twelfth line from the top of the page, by striking out the words "Primary School No. 27" and inserting the words "Public School 127."

Adopted.

The President then put the question whether the Board would adopt the report and resolution of the Committee, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Extract from the Minutes.

ARTHUR McMULLIN,

Clerk of the Board of Education.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, September 23, 1897.

Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—The Board of Education, by resolution adopted September 15, 1897, appropriated the sum of \$338 from the proceeds of bonds to be issued by the Comptroller, with the approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, pursuant to chapter 728, Laws of 1896; said sum to be applied in payment of a bill of Messrs. Thomas Cockerill & Son for extra work done in connection with their contract for erecting an annex to and improving premises of Public School No. 127, at Nos. 511-519 West Thirty-seventh street.

This account for extra work on this school-house originated in this way: According to the contract, a certain partition in the old building was to be taken down, ordinarily a very simple piece of work. But when this partition was stripped preparatory to taking it down, it was found that it contained a truss, as shown on the accompanying photograph, which would have to be taken down in the execution of the work. It was also found that the floor below was suspended from this truss. Therefore, when the truss was taken out it was necessary to support the floor by iron columns extending to the ground. In the meantime the floor had to be shored up, involving much labor.

As the existence of this truss and the duty it performed in the support of the floor below was not known to the Superintendent of Buildings, its removal and the work incidental thereto was not provided for in the contract, and the whole being necessary to the arrangement of the building, I think it was proper that it should be done as extra work.

I think the price of this work as agreed upon, \$338, is reasonable and fair, and that the Board can properly approve the appropriation.

Respectfully,

EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 728 of the Laws of 1896, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the requisition of the Board of Education by resolution adopted September 15, 1897, for the issue of School-house Bonds to the amount of three hundred and thirty-eight dollars (\$338) for the purpose of providing means to pay the bill of Messrs. Thomas Cockerill & Son, for extra work done in connection with their contract for erecting an annex to and improving premises of Public School No. 127, at Nos. 511-519 West Thirty-seventh street; and

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and hereby is authorized to issue such bonds to the amount of three hundred and thirty-eight dollars (\$338), as aforesaid, to be known as Consolidated Stock of the City of New York, as provided by section 132 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, redeemable in not less than ten nor more than fifty years from the date of issue, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum.

Which were adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessment and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS, NEW YORK, September 17, 1897. *To the Board of Education:*

The Committee on Buildings respectfully reports: That it has been necessary, from time to time, to purchase draughting materials, order prints, etc., etc., and bills amounting to \$1,645.17 have been incurred, as follows:

1897.			
E. & H. T. Anthony & Co.	June 3	Photo. supplies.....	58 61
"	July 7	Paper and cards.....	2 55
Charles Bruning.....	June 29	Prints.....	3 50
"	" 30	"	7 50
"	" 30	"	20 00
H. B. Cristensen.....	Apr. 17	"	40 00
"	" 30	"	42 52
"	May 4	"	60
"	" 19	"	5 80
"	" 20	"	11 00
"	" 28	"	5 04
"	June 17	"	12 50
"	" 21	"	23 00
"	" 22	"	13 75
F. W. Devoe & C. T. Raynolds Co.....	Apr. 22	Paper.....	58 50
F. W. Devoe & C. T. Raynolds Co.....	May 8	"	20 50

1897.				
F. W. Devoe & C. T. Raynolds Co.	May 15	Paper, etc.	585 Broadway	\$258 90
F. W. Devoe & C. T. Raynolds Co.	June 7	Paper	585 Broadway	20 50
F. W. Devoe & C. T. Raynolds Co.	July 12	Paint, brushes, etc.	Several schools	5 55
F. W. Devoe & C. T. Raynolds Co.	" 28	Paper	585 Broadway	20 50
George B. Hurd & Co.	June 15	"	585 Broadway	54 00
William Helburn	May 14	Books	585 Broadway	48 00
Kolesch & Co.	Mar. 30	Prints	Annex Grammar School No. 94	33 07
Keuffel & Esser Co.	Apr. 10	Drawing materials	585 Broadway	67 28
N.Y. Multi-Color Copying Co.	June 14	Printing plans	585 Broadway	18 00
"	Apr. 8	"	91st st. and 1st ave.	35 00
"	Feb. 24	"	Grammar School No. 13	13 00
"	May 17	"	" No. 34	7 50
"	" 26	"	Primary School No. 37	21 25
Arthur Scherbaum	June 24	Prints	Orchard, Hester and Ludlow sts.	41 50
E. G. Soltmann	Jan. 15	"	St. Nicholas ave.	49 50
"	Feb. 4	Drawing materials	585 Broadway	1 04
"	Mar. 8	Prints	Primary School No. 5	10 00
"	" 15	Paper	"	3 19
"	May 18	Paper and plans	77th st. and Avenue A	49 00
"	June 17	Prints	Burnside ave.	22 50
"	" 24	"	Suffolk and Rivington sts.	45 00
"	" 24	"	Grammar School No. 97	22 00
"	July 6	"	108th st. and Amsterdam ave.	60 00
Charles Bruning	Apr. 22	"	Primary School No. 52	9 14
E. G. Soltmann	May 24	Repairs to air meter	146 Grand st.	4 50
"	" 24	Adjusting surgical instruments	"	5 00
"	Apr. 1	Paper	"	2 00
"	1896	Ink	585 Broadway	2 00
"	1897	Prints	89th st.	38 00
F. W. Devoe & C. T. Raynolds Co.	" 10	Drawing material	585 Broadway	60 88
H. B. Christensen	" 1	Prints	Grammar School No. 97	21 12
"	" 1	"	" No. 102	19 55
F. W. Devoe & C. T. Raynolds Co.	" 25	Paper	585 Broadway	20 50
F. W. Devoe & C. T. Raynolds Co.	" 10	Drawing materials	585 Broadway	110 55

The following resolution is therefore submitted for adoption:

Resolved, That the sum of one thousand six hundred and forty-five dollars and seventeen cents (\$1,645.17) be and the same is hereby appropriated from the proceeds of bonds to be issued by the Comptroller, with the approval of a majority of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, pursuant to chapter 728, Laws of 1896, application for the issue of which is hereby made; said sum to be applied in the payment of bills incurred as mentioned in preamble. Said bills to be paid upon the approval of the Superintendent of School Buildings and the Committee on Buildings.

A true copy of report and resolution adopted by the Board of Education on September 15, 1897.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, September 25, 1897. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—The Board of Education, by resolution adopted September 15, 1897, appropriates the sum of \$1,645.17 from the proceeds of bonds to be issued by the Comptroller, with the approval of a majority of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, pursuant to chapter 728, Laws of 1896, said sum to be applied in payment of bills, enumerated, for draughting materials, prints, etc., said bills to be paid upon the approval of the Superintendent of School Buildings and the Committee on Buildings.

These bills are incurred for necessary purposes, at reasonable rates, and I see no reason why the appropriation should not be approved by the Board.

Respectfully, EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 728 of the Laws of 1896, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the requisition of the Board of Education by resolution adopted September 15, 1897, for the issue of School-house Bonds to the amount of one thousand six hundred and forty-five dollars and seventeen cents (\$1,645.17), for the purpose of providing means for the payment of bills for draughting materials, paints, etc.; and

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and hereby is authorized to issue such bonds to the amount of one thousand six hundred and forty-five dollars and seventeen cents (\$1,645.17), as aforesaid, to be known as Consolidated Stock of the City of New York, as provided by section 132 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, redeemable in not less than ten nor more than fifty years from the date of issue, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS, NEW YORK, September 17, 1897. To the Board of Education:

The Finance Committee, to which was referred the communication from the Committee on Buildings recommending an award of contract for erecting a new school building on the easterly side of Andrews avenue and the northerly side of Burnside avenue at their intersection, Morris Heights, respectfully reports: That, in response to the usual duly authorized advertisement, the following bids were received:

James J. Loonie, \$81,500; John J. Hopper, \$93,500; T. Mahoney & Sons, \$85,913; Thomas Dwyer, \$91,866; Thomas Cockerill & Son, \$94,500; John F. Johnson, \$84,700.

The Committee recommends that the award be made to the lowest bidder, in which action the Finance Committee concurs, and submits for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of eighty-one thousand five hundred dollars (\$81,500) be and the same is hereby appropriated from the proceeds of bonds to be issued by the Comptroller, with the approval of a majority of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, pursuant to chapter 728, Laws of 1896, application for the issue of which is hereby made; said sum to be applied in payment of the contract to be entered into by the Committee on Buildings for and on behalf of the Board of Education, with James J. Loonie, for erecting a new school building on the easterly side of Andrews avenue and the northerly side of Burnside avenue at their intersection, Morris Heights, requisition for which sum is hereby made upon the Comptroller.

But no part of said appropriation authorized by this resolution to be paid until the Committee on Buildings shall have filed the contract to be entered into by it with the contractor named, to whom the award is made; said contract to be in such form and with such security for the faithful performance of the same as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, the rules of this Board in regard thereto, and as to the payments to be made on account thereof, to be complied with.

A true copy of report and resolution adopted by the Board of Education on September 15, 1897.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, September 22, 1897. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—The Board of Education, by resolution adopted September 15, 1897, appropriates the sum of \$81,500 from the proceeds of bonds to be issued by the Comptroller, with the approval of a majority of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, pursuant to chapter 728, Laws of 1896, said sum to be applied in payment of the contract to be entered into with James J. Loonie for erecting a new school building on the easterly side of Andrews avenue and the northerly side of Burnside avenue at their intersection, Morris Heights.

Proposals were invited for the above work, on carefully prepared plans and specifications, by advertisement in the CITY RECORD, and six bids were received, ranging from \$81,500 to \$94,500. The award was made to the lowest bidder, James J. Loonie, at his bid of \$81,500, the amount appropriated.

There is no reason why the appropriation should not be approved by the Board.

The following description is furnished me by the Superintendent of Buildings, Mr. Snyder:

"The necessity for the erection of a school building in this vicinity has long been recognized, and steps were taken as early as 1894 to acquire this site. In the meantime the children of the neighborhood were obliged to either go by train to Kingsbridge to attend school or make use of the stages provided by the Board of Education for the transportation of pupils of Primary School No. 45, Mount Hope, nearly one mile distant to the east, which distance, however, owing to the character of the country, might be more nearly represented by two and one-half miles of paved streets in the lower part of the city.

"The site chosen is on the southerly side of a rise of ground, fronting an open space formed by the junction of Andrews, Burnside and Aqueduct avenues, opposite the grounds now known as Berkeley Oval.

"In designing a building for this locality, consideration was given to the facts that the plot has a street frontage on three streets, and that nearly the whole district was occupied by detached buildings of a suburban type.

"The materials of the exterior are stone, brick and terra-cotta, with tile roof.

"The interior construction consists of steel floor beams, brick arches filled in with concrete, into which floor sleepers are bedded, on which the floors are laid.

"The basement and front entrances are formed of stone, laid up in random ashlar work.
 "The basement, which is almost entirely above the level of the ground, will form a large indoor play-room for the children, and will also furnish room for the heating apparatus.
 "The first story will have eight class rooms, each with an outside wardrobe; also, large teachers' rooms and ample storage for books.
 "The second story is subdivided, by means of sliding doors, into six class rooms.
 "The building will be heated and ventilated by steam, the gravity system being employed on account of the small size of the building.
 "One of the rooms, with a bay facing south, is to be fitted up for kindergarten purposes, the ledge in the bay affording an excellent opportunity for the placing of flower boxes, which are considered a part of the necessary equipment of the modern kindergarten room.
 "The grounds, which are larger in proportion to the size of the building than afforded to those below the Harlem river, will be laid out to retain, as far as possible, the natural beauty. Ample outside grounds will be afforded, by paved spaces at the rear and sides of the building and in front, behind the terraced slopes."

Respectfully, EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 728 of the Laws of 1896, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the requisition of the Board of Education by resolution adopted September 15, 1897, for the issue of School-house Bonds to the amount of eighty-one thousand five hundred dollars (\$81,500), for the purpose of providing means to defray the expense of contract to be entered into by the Board of Education with James J. Loonie, for erecting a new school building on the easterly side of Andrews avenue and the northerly side of Burnside avenue at their intersection, Morris Heights; and

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and hereby is authorized to issue such bonds to the amount of eighty-one thousand five hundred dollars (\$81,500), as aforesaid, to be known as Consolidated Stock of the City of New York, as provided by section 132 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, redeemable in not less than ten nor more than fifty years from the date of issue, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum.

Which were adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

HEALTH DEPARTMENT, NEW YORK, September 23, 1897. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller, New York City:

SIR—At a meeting of the Board of Health of the Health Department, held September 21, 1897, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and is hereby respectfully requested to issue bonds or stock of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York bearing three per cent. interest, and exempt from taxation, to the amount of five thousand dollars (\$5,000), the proceeds of said bonds to be used to pay for additional work in building an ambulance station and vaccine laboratory, architect's fees, etc., pursuant to the provisions of chapter 721, Laws of 1896.

A true copy. C. GOLDBERMAN, Secretary pro tem.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, October 6, 1897. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—The Board of Health, by resolution adopted September 21, 1897, requests the Comptroller to issue bonds or stock of the Mayor, etc., of the City of New York, bearing three per cent. interest, and exempt from taxation, to the amount of \$5,000, the proceeds of said bonds to be used to pay for additional work in building an ambulance station and vaccine laboratory, architect's fees, etc., pursuant to the provisions of chapter 721, Laws of 1896.

The law referred to authorizes the building, by the Board of Health, of an ambulance station and vaccine laboratory without reference to any other department of the City Government, and provides as follows:

Section 6. For all expenses to be incurred under the authority of this act, the comptroller is hereby authorized to issue bonds or stock of the mayor, etc., from time to time, to be payable from taxation * * * in amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars. * * * Such bonds shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding three per centum per annum * * * and of the proceeds of said bonds there shall be paid from time to time, upon the requisition of the board of health * * * the amount by them certified to be due for any of the purposes of this act provided."

The Board of Estimate, at its meeting October 30, 1896, approved of the issue of bonds under this law to the amount of \$45,000, and this further issue, now asked for, will complete the allowance of the law.

There is no reason that the request should not be granted.

Respectfully, EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 721 of the Laws of 1896, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the issue of bonds by the Comptroller in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to be known as "Consolidated Stock of the City of New York," as provided by section 132 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1892, to the amount of five thousand dollars (\$5,000), bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three per cent. per annum and redeemable in not less than ten nor more than twenty years from the date of issue; the proceeds of which bonds shall be applied to meet the expenses of additional work in building an ambulance station and vaccine laboratory, together with architect's fees, and other expenses necessarily incident thereto, as requested by a resolution of the Board of Health of the Health Department, adopted September 21, 1897.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

LAW DEPARTMENT—OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, NEW YORK, September 30, 1897. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—I am in receipt of your communication bearing date September 17, stating that assessment bonds issued under the authority of section 144 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882 and chapter 339 of the Laws of 1892, for the improvement of Park avenue, above One Hundred and Sixth street, amounting to \$100,000, mature on the 1st of November next; that said chapter 339 of the Laws of 1892 provides for the redemption of these bonds out of assessments collected from owners of property benefited, but that no funds have as yet been provided from that source, for the reason, as you are informed, that no assessment for benefit has yet been made.

You request me to advise you whether these bonds can properly be extended or renewed under the provisions of section 150 of the said Consolidation Act, and if this can not be done, how payment of said bonds should be made.

The provisions of the Act of 1892 for payment by the City of the bonds in question are contained in section 20 of the act, as follows:

"In the event that the said commissioners of assessment shall have, in pursuance of the provisions of section sixteen of this act, assessed the payment of the whole or any part of said bonds upon the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of New York, the funds to pay the same shall be raised by tax upon the real and personal property subject to taxation in the city and county of New York, and included in the tax levy for the years in which the said bonds shall fall due."

I assume from your communication that no such assessment has been made by the Commissioners as is specified in the section just cited, and for that reason the amount of these bonds has not been included in the budget for the present year.

Section 150 of the Consolidation Act referred to in your communication is as follows:

"Sec. 150. The corporation of the city of New York is hereby authorized to borrow, on the credit of the corporation, from time to time, such amounts as may be required to meet the deficiencies caused by delay in collecting arrears of assessments; the aggregate amount so borrowed not to exceed at any time the aggregate amount of said arrears then outstanding."

It is probable that, under a liberal construction of this section, there might be sufficient authority to provide for the payment of the bonds in question by the issue of new bonds, but I think that it is preferable to act under the authority conferred by section 149 of the Consolidation Act, which is as follows:

"Sec. 149. If at any time hereafter the amount in the treasury of the city, derived from collections of assessments, shall be insufficient to meet and pay, when they become due and payable, any bonds issued by the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of New York, for expenditures incurred on public improvements, payable in whole or in part from assessments, then it shall be lawful for the comptroller and he is hereby authorized to issue consolidated stock for an amount sufficient to pay, and from the proceeds thereof to pay, the bonds so falling due as aforesaid."

In view of the circumstances disclosed by your communication, I think there is sufficient authority to issue bonds under the section just cited for the purpose of paying the \$100,000 of the Park Avenue Improvement Bonds in question.

Yours, FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of section 149 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, and an opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation, dated September 30, 1897, the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized to issue bonds in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to be known as "Consolidated Stock of the City of New York," as provided by section 132 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum, and redeemable in not less than twenty nor more than fifty years from the date of issue; the proceeds of which bonds shall be applied to redeeming at their maturity,

viz., November 1, 1897, Assessment Bonds heretofore issued under the authority of section 144 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, and chapter 339 of the Laws of 1892, for the improvement of Park avenue above One Hundred and Sixth street.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, NOS. 157 AND 159 EAST SIXTY-SEVENTH STREET, NEW YORK, September 22, 1897. *To the Honorable Board of Estimate and Apportionment:*

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to state that a communication has been received from Charles E. Lydecker, Esq., counsellor-at-law, representing the owner of the property No. 119 Maiden lane, which it is proposed to acquire for this Department as a site for Engine Company No. 4, and for which an appropriation was made by your Honorable Board under the provisions of chapter 151 of the Laws of 1894, stating that he had communicated with the Comptroller, and that as a result of such communication, his client would accept \$47,400 for the proposed site. On the understanding that the offer is considered a fair one by the Comptroller, and believing the same, I hereby, on behalf of the Board of Fire Commissioners, request the consent of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to the purchase of the premises named at private sale.

The estimate made by this Department, when application for the appropriation was made to your Honorable Board, based largely upon the ascertained assessed valuation, was \$50,000.

Very respectfully, JAMES R. SHEFFIELD, President.

EQUITABLE BUILDING, NO. 120 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, September 2, 1897. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller, etc.

DEAR SIR—I represent the owner of No. 119 Maiden Lane, New York, and have done so since the death of the former owner, the late General Potter in the year 1891. On the occasion of the presenting of a resolution to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment this last month, I learned for the first time that it was the purpose of the Fire Department to take this building for a fire-engine house site.

The property in question was leased by me in February last to Mr. James A. Webb for a period of five years, to be used by his house in the alcoholic trade, a business of considerable proportions and one for which he deemed it necessary to make considerable change in the building—to put in electric elevators, steam-heating plant and various internal changes, the completion of which necessitated delay in the occupancy of the premises. I at once interviewed the Fire Commissioners with a view to ascertain whether other property was not as available for their purposes as this, and represented the unfortunate situation and loss to the tenant, as well as to the City, by the interference with the use for a considerable time, or the necessary expenditure of money for changes should the property ultimately be taken for the City, which would follow the usual delay in condemnation proceedings and suit, and requested, if the Department would not select other quarters, that they would at least proceed to acquire the property at once by a private sale upon terms which, in view of the report of their own engineer and the report of Mr. McLean, seemed possible. At a meeting of the Fire Commissioners my suggestions were considered, and they have informed me that they would be glad to close the matter at a private sale if that course was agreeable to you, and having submitted the matter to Mr. Lyon in your absence he suggested my laying the matter before you in writing. I have borrowed from the Mercantile Trust Company, on the appraisal of their appraiser, \$26,000, and I regard the value reported to you, \$50,000, is fair, if we sold subject to the lease. The lessor will, however, have a bill of some size if he is put about for a time, and I am able to say that he will assent to a reasonable arrangement now, if a prompt termination of his lease were possible. In view of the facts, will you allow me to say to the Commissioners that you will assent to a fair value at private sale for this property.

Yours truly, CHARLES E. LYDECKER.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, September 7, 1897. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

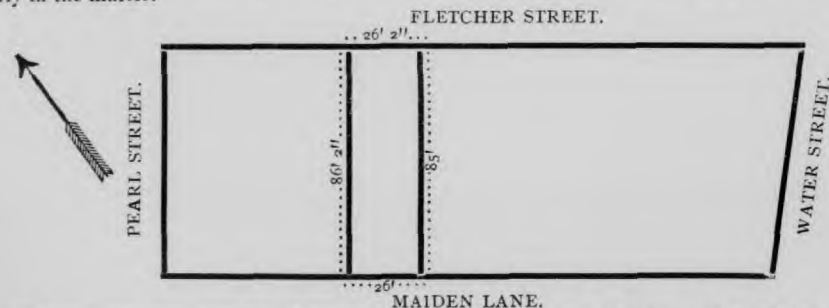
SIR—Charles E. Lydecker, Esq., representing the owner of No. 119 Maiden lane, which property the Fire Department is anxious to acquire, states, in communication of September 2, 1897, that in February last he leased the premises to Mr. James A. Webb for a period of five years, to be used by his house in the alcoholic trade, a business of importance, for which it would be necessary to make considerable changes in the building—electric elevators, steam-heating plant, etc.

He states that the matter was considered at a meeting of the Fire Commissioners, and that they have informed him that they would be glad to close the matter at a private sale, if that was agreeable to the Comptroller.

In conclusion, Mr. Lydecker says, "In view of the facts, will you allow me to say to the Commissioners that you will assent to a fair value at private sale for this property."

There appears to me no reason why this property, or any other, for city purposes, should not be acquired by private purchase, if it can be obtained at reasonable and fair rates. Any price agreed upon would, of course, be subject to the approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment. The condemnation proceedings are only resorted to when such reasonable and fair rates cannot be obtained.

Judging from the tenor of Mr. Lydecker's letter, I would consider that he is disposed to act fairly in the matter.



The premises are shown on the diagram. The tax valuation is \$23,000. The building on the lot is a substantial four-story brick. It will be observed that there are two entrances, one on Fletcher street and the other on Maiden lane.

I would estimate the value of the property at about \$50,000, on account, principally, of its favorable location for business.

Respectfully, EUG. E. MCLEAN, Engineer.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the purchase of the premises known as No. 119 Maiden lane, as a site for a fire-engine station, at the price of forty-seven thousand four hundred dollars (\$47,400).

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 56 of the Laws of 1894, the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized and directed to issue bonds in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to be known as "Consolidated Stock of the City of New York," as provided by section 132 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, to the amount of two thousand nine hundred and seventy-five dollars and fifty cents (\$2,975.50), bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum, and redeemable within such period as the Comptroller may determine, but not more than thirty years from the date of issue, the proceeds of which bonds shall be applied to the payment of the following bills:

Hatch & Wickes, for rent, \$300; Charles H. Griffin, Clerk of Commission, \$375; Charles H. Griffin, expenses as Clerk of Commission from July 1 to October 1, \$5; Adams & Nealis, Stenographers, \$205.50; Thomas P. Wickes, Commissioner, \$550; Conrad Harres, \$770; Pierre Van Buren Hoes, \$770—\$2,975.50.

—said expenses having been taxed before Hon. Charles H. Truax, a Justice of the Supreme Court in the First Judicial District on October 6, 1897, in the proceeding to acquire title to certain lands in the Twelfth Ward.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to chapter 57 of the Laws of 1897, the Comptroller be and hereby is authorized to issue bonds in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to be known as "Consolidated Stock of the City of New York," as provided by section 132 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, to the amount of four thousand and twenty dollars (\$4,020), bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum and redeemable within such period as the Comptroller may determine, but not less than twenty nor more than fifty years from the date of issue; the proceeds of which bonds shall be applied to the payment of the bill of Roger Foster for professional services in connection with the condemnation of buildings by the Board of Health, as certified by the Counsel to the Corporation.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

LAW DEPARTMENT—OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, NEW YORK, September 29, 1897. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—I beg to inclose bills of Robert S. Sturgis, Arthur D. Truax and James R. Ely, each for \$18, being for services rendered as Commissioners in the proceeding instituted by the Board of Health to condemn the rear tenement of No. 44 Roosevelt street.

These amounts are payable from the fund provided by Laws of 1897, chapter 57, and section 3370 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

Respectfully yours,

FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 567 of the Laws of 1895, as amended by chapter 57 of the Laws of 1897, the Comptroller be and hereby is authorized to issue bonds in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to be known as "Consolidated Stock of the City of New York," as provided by section 132 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, to the amount of fifty-four dollars (\$54), bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum, and redeemable within such period as the Comptroller may determine, but not less than twenty nor more than fifty years from the date of issue, the proceeds of which bonds shall be applied to the payment of the bills of Robert S. Sturgis, Arthur D. Truax and James R. Ely, Commissioners, for services rendered in connection with the condemnation of tenement-house at No. 44 Roosevelt street, under chapter 57 of the Laws of 1897, as certified by the Counsel to the Corporation.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, October 12, 1897. *To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:*

GENTLEMEN—The Fifth Separate Report of the Commissioners of Estimate in the proceeding to acquire title to land required for the Third Avenue Bridge Approaches, has been filed in the Finance Department. This report was confirmed by the Supreme Court on September 22, 1897, and includes awards aggregating \$122,001, upon which interest runs at the rate of six per cent. from May 19, 1896.

In order to provide for the payment thereof, including interest, I submit herewith a resolution to authorize the issue of bonds to the amount of \$135,000, in the manner required by chapter 413 of the Laws of 1892, as amended by chapter 716 of the Laws of 1896.

Respectfully, ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 413 of the Laws of 1892, as amended by chapter 716 of the Laws of 1896, the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized and directed to issue bonds in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to be known as "Consolidated Stock of the City of New York," as provided by section 132 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, to the amount of one hundred and thirty-five thousand dollars (\$135,000), bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum, and redeemable from time to time, but not less than twenty years from the date of issue, the proceeds of which bonds shall be applied in payment of the awards, and interest thereon, made to property-owners in the proceeding for acquiring title to lands required for the construction of a drawbridge over the Harlem river, in the City of New York, at or near Third avenue, and the approaches thereto, as provided for in said acts.

Which was adopted by the following vote—Affirmative, The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, NOS. 157 AND 159 EAST SIXTY-SEVENTH STREET, NEW YORK, October 9, 1897. *To the Honorable Board of Estimate and Apportionment:*

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to state that at a meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners held on the 8th inst., a communication was received from the Chief of Department, recommending that a third Deputy Chief of Department be provided for as soon as possible. The Chief makes the following statements in support of his recommendation:

That the last addition to this grade was made fourteen years ago, when the fires per annum were about one-half the present number.

That his office duties now more than ever require his attendance at the headquarters in Sixty-seventh street during office hours, and that during such times he is somewhat removed from the localities in which most fires occur.

That, in addition thereto, one of the Deputy Chiefs has for a considerable period been seriously ill, making the duties devolving upon the Chief and his principal assistants still more onerous.

After due consideration of this recommendation, the Board of Fire Commissioners adopted the following:

"Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and is hereby requested to authorize the transfer of seven hundred dollars from the appropriation for Apparatus, Supplies, etc., for the current year, for which the same will not be needed, to the appropriation for Salaries, Chief of Department and Assistants Pay-roll, for the current year, for which the same is required in order to provide for the salary of an additional Deputy Chief of Department for the remainder of the current year."

Very respectfully, JAMES R. SHEFFIELD, President.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of seven hundred dollars (\$700) be and hereby is transferred from the appropriation made to the Fire Department for the year 1897, entitled "Fire Department Fund—For Apparatus, Supplies, etc.," the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes thereof, to the appropriation made to the said Department for 1897, entitled "Fire Department Fund—For Salaries, Chief of Department and Assistants Pay-roll," the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

SUPREME COURT—APPELLATE DIVISION, FIRST DEPARTMENT, NEW YORK, October 8, 1897. *The Board of Estimate and Apportionment:*

GENTLEMEN—In consequence of the increase in compensation to the Justices from other districts, made by the Legislature during its last session, and of the necessity of filling Mr. Justice Barrett's position, there is a deficiency in the appropriation for such compensation.

There is, as I am informed, a balance of about \$8,000 remaining of the appropriation for clerks and attendants of the Supreme Court, and I would ask the transfer of this balance, in order to make up some part of the deficiency above mentioned.

Yours, very truly, C. H. VAN BRUNT, Presiding Justice.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) be and hereby is transferred from the appropriation made in the Final Estimate for the year 1897, for Salaries—Judiciary, Clerks, the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes thereof, to the appropriation made in said Estimate, entitled "Salaries—Judiciary, Compensation of Justices from other Districts," the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, September 17, 1897. *Board of Estimate and Apportionment, New York City:*

GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the Board of Parks held on the 16th instant, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to authorize the issue of bonds to the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars, in the manner provided by chapter 666 of the Laws of 1897, for the purpose of defraying the expense of constructing walks, drainage, grading, planting and otherwise improving the territory of Riverside Park east of the westerly wall of the Drive, between Seventy-ninth and One Hundred and Fourth streets, as shown on plans this day approved.

I transmit herewith plans showing the work proposed to be done, with the amount asked for in the foregoing resolution.

Respectfully, WILLIAM LEARY, Secretary.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, September 30, 1897. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—The Department of Public Parks, at a meeting of the Board, Sept. 16, 1897, requests the Board of Estimate and Apportionment "to authorize the issue of bonds to the amount of \$25,000, in the manner provided by chap. 666 of the Laws of 1897, for the purpose of defraying the expense of constructing walks, drainage, grading, planting and otherwise improving the territory of Riverside Park, east of the westerly wall of the Drive, between Seventy-ninth and One Hundred and Fourth streets, as shown on plans this day approved."

The plans were transmitted, and are submitted herewith.

I have no adverse criticism to make on these plans, and I think they may properly receive the approval of the Board.

The following is the estimate submitted by the Engineer of Construction:

For drainage, \$5,000; for walks and steps, \$6,000; for reconstructing roadway from Ninety-first to Ninety-sixth street, \$1,000; for planting, \$11,750; for overlook, \$2,000—\$25,750.
Say \$25,000.

By the requirements of the law, twenty per cent. of the above is to be done "as the present work, labor and materials are now done and furnished for the system of public parks in the city of New York," the remaining eighty per cent. to be done by contract at public letting.

Section 1 of the law authorizes the issue, from time to time, when directed by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, of \$400,000, not more than \$200,000 to be issued in any one year.

"Sec. 2. The commissioners of public parks may, from time to time, adopt plans for any part of the work provided for by this act, and upon the approval thereof by the board of estimate and apportionment, as afore-said; and an amount not more than twenty per centum of the work, labor and materials therefor shall be done and furnished as the present work, labor and materials are now done and furnished for the system of public parks in the city of New York, and the balance of said work, labor and materials, being eighty per centum thereof, shall be done by means of public letting." * * *
Respectfully, EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 666 of the Laws of 1897, the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized to issue bonds in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to be known as "Consolidated Stock of the City of New York," as provided by section 132 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, to an amount not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000), bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum, and redeemable within such period as the Comptroller may determine, but not less than twenty nor more than fifty years from the date of issue, the proceeds of which bonds shall be applied to the work of constructing walks, drainage, grading, planting, etc., Riverside Park, east of the westerly wall of the Drive, between Seventy-ninth and One Hundred and Fourth streets, as specified in a resolution of the Board of Parks relating thereto, adopted September 16, 1897.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

CHANGE OF GRADE DAMAGE COMMISSION—TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH WARDS, No. 96 BROADWAY, ROOM 58, NEW YORK CITY, October 5, 1897. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller, New York:

DEAR SIR—At a meeting of the Commission, held on the 3d inst., the following business was transacted:

The Clerk presented the following statement, showing the estimated expenses of the Commission for the year 1898:

Daniel Lord, Chairman of Commission, salary, \$3,000; James M. Varnum, Commissioner, salary, \$3,000; George W. Stephens, Commissioner, salary, \$3,000; Charles P. Young, Stenographer, salary, \$3,000; Lamont McLoughlin, Clerk to Commission, salary, \$2,500; American Surety Company, for rent of offices, \$1,200; M. A. O'Connor, for printing minutes and stationery, \$1,000; The Metropolitan Telephone and Telegraph Company, \$240; Office and Messenger Boy, \$300; Sundries, \$500—total, \$17,740.

Commissioner Varnum thereupon offered the following preamble and resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, The Clerk has presented a statement showing the estimated expenses of the Commission for the year 1898, which has been examined and approved by this Commission; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 537 of the Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 567 of the Laws of 1894, the Comptroller be and is hereby respectfully requested to issue bonds for such amounts as may be necessary for the payment of the expenses of the Commission for the year 1898, from time to time, as provided by said act; and be it

Further Resolved, That the Clerk be and he hereby is directed to forward a copy of the foregoing to the Comptroller, together with a statement showing the estimated expenses of the Commission for the year 1898.

Yours respectfully, LAMONT McLOUGHLIN, Clerk to Commission.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to chapter 537 of the Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 567 of the Laws of 1894, the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized to issue bonds, from time to time, as may be required, in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to be known as Consolidated Stock of the City of New York, as provided by section 132 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, to an amount not exceeding seventeen thousand seven hundred and forty dollars (\$17,740), redeemable in fifteen years, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum; the proceeds of which bonds shall be applied in payment of the expenses during the year 1898 of the Change of Grade Damage Commission, provided for by said acts.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES, NEW YORK, September 23, 1897. To the Honorable Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—This Department respectfully requests that the sum of \$1,791 be set aside from the appropriation "Department of Public Charities Building Fund—Construction, Additions, Extensions, Alterations and Improvements, chapter 724, Laws of 1896," for the following necessary repairs and alterations:

Relining main gutter, Wards 15, 16 and 18, at Bellevue Hospital, and repairing slate roof on south and west sides, \$247; repairing and painting roof, Emergency Hospital, Bellevue, \$95; repairing and painting mansard roof and main gutters of Marquand Pavilion, Bellevue, \$250; repairing roofs and gutters, Fordham Hospital and barn, \$93; moving building on dock at foot of East Twenty-sixth street, \$100; repairs to lodging-house, Bellevue, \$1,000—\$1,791.

Yours truly, S. C. CROFT, President.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES, NEW YORK, September 27, 1897. To the Honorable Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—This Board respectfully requests that the sum of fifty dollars be set aside from the appropriation "Department of Public Charities Building Fund—Construction, Additions, Extensions, Alterations and Improvements, chapter 724, Laws of 1896," for services rendered and architect's fees, and preparing plans for the steam-heating plant at Bellevue Hospital and Nurses' Homes at City and Metropolitan Hospitals.

Yours truly, S. C. CROFT, President.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, September 30, 1897. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—The Department of Charities, in communications of September 18, September 23 and September 27, 1897, to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, asks for appropriations for certain purposes named below, under chapter 724, Laws of 1896:

1st. For a water-proof floor in the kitchen and meat-room at Randall's Island, \$490.
2d. For certain repairs at Bellevue Hospital and Fordham Hospital, and moving building on dock at foot of East Twenty-sixth street, \$1,791.

3d. For services rendered, and architect's fees, and preparing plans for the steam-heating plant at Bellevue Hospital and Nurses' Home at City and Metropolitan Hospitals, \$50.

While all the items asked for may be necessary, I do not see that the matters are properly presented to the Board, under the provisions of chapter 724 of the Laws of 1896.

That law is essentially a building law, and its provisions and requirements are very exactly defined.

Section 1. Authorizes the Commissioners, with the consent and approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment "to erect such and so many buildings and such additions to and extensions of existing buildings * * * and to make such alterations and improvements in any of the buildings * * * as in the opinion of said commissioners * * * and said board of estimate and apportionment shall be necessary. * * *

Sec. 2. "Before proceeding to erect * * * as authorized by the last preceding section, the said commissioners * * * may from time to time present to said board of estimate and apportionment a statement of any work proposed to be done, with plans and specifications and estimate. * * *

Prescribes how plans and specifications may be approved or disapproved, etc., very minutely, and authorizes the employment of two architects—one for the Commissioners of Charities, the other for the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

Sec. 3. Provides that, when the work provided for * * * shall have been authorized, and plans and specifications approved by Board of Estimate and Apportionment, said Commissioners of Public Charities shall proceed to execute and carry out said work, which shall be done by contract made at public letting.

Sec. 4. Provides for issue of Consolidated Stock for above work, and compensation to architects, and "cost of furniture and fixtures for any new building, or altered or extended building, as shall be approved by the board of estimate and apportionment."

These exact requirements of the law have not been complied with in the three requests

presented and here considered, and I think they are, on that account, not in proper form to receive the favorable action of the Board.

Respectfully,

EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.

Referred to the Counsel to the Corporation.

The Comptroller presented the following:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES, NEW YORK, September 25, 1897. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller, New York:

DEAR SIR—Through an oversight at the time of the resolution designating Israel & Harder and Francis M. Madden, associated as architects for the Randall's Island Pavilions, Mr. Madden's name was omitted, the resolution reading Israel & Harder. There is, however, no objection on the part of this Board to the name of Mr. Madden appearing wherever the firm name appears in the contract and specifications.

Yours truly, S. C. CROFT, President; JAS. R. O'BRIEN, Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES, NEW YORK, September 27, 1897. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller, New York:

DEAR SIR—By direction of the Board, I inclose herewith copy of a resolution passed August 26, 1897, authorizing Messrs. Israel & Harder and Francis M. Madden, associated as architects to prepare plans and specifications for one pavilion to be erected in connection with Fordham Hospital.

Yours truly, H. G. WEAVER, Secretary.

Resolved, That Messrs. Israel & Harder and Francis M. Madden, associated, be and they hereby are designated as architects to prepare plans and specifications for one pavilion to be erected in connection with Fordham Hospital.

Ordered on file.

The Comptroller presented the following:

FARMERS' LOAN AND TRUST COMPANY BUILDING, No. 22 WILLIAM STREET, NEW YORK CITY, September 16, 1897. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller of the City of New York, No. 280 Broadway, City:

MY DEAR MR. FITCH—I write to you to-day in behalf of the Mount Sinai Hospital of this city.

In accordance with the suggestion contained in your letter of the 8th instant to Mr. Isaac Wallach, President of the Mount Sinai Hospital, an application was made yesterday to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for the money to be allotted by your Honorable Board to the said Mount Sinai Hospital for the year 1898. At the same time a further application was made for payments for the year 1897.

Chapter 719 of the Laws of 1897, which provides for such payment to the Mount Sinai Hospital, became a law on May 22, 1897. It is obviously the intent and purpose of the act that payments of "forty cents per day for each needy and charity patient who occupies a bed in the Mount Sinai Hospital, and who received such care, support and maintenance," should begin immediately upon the taking effect of the act. Obviously, too, such payments could not have been included in the appropriations made last year before the said chapter 719 became a law.

At the same time, it is undoubtedly within the power of your Honorable Board to allot such moneys, and they can be provided for just as any other deficiency that arises in your Department, as provided by section 199 of the Consolidation Act.

The Mount Sinai Hospital is a most worthy charity institution, and one in which I take great personal interest.

I sincerely hope that your Honorable Board will see its way clear to grant the applications made yesterday.
Very sincerely yours, EDWARD LAUTERBACH.

Laid over.

The Comptroller presented the following:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, NEW YORK, September 23, 1897. Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Mayor, and Chairman Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

DEAR SIR—I find that the appropriation for "Free Floating Baths—Salaries," for 1897, will require to be supplemented by a transfer of \$3,500 to pay for the necessary force attached to the baths to the end of the present year.

The necessity for this transfer arises from the fact that this year the baths were opened to the public the first week in June, which is about three weeks earlier than the average date at which the baths are placed in commission. An additional reason why this account has run short is that in the extremely hot weather during last summer the baths were kept open during the night and on Sundays, for the benefit of the residents of crowded tenement-house districts.

In view of these facts, I respectfully ask that the sum of \$3,500 be transferred from the appropriation for "Lamps and Gas and Electric Lighting," for 1897, from which said amount can be spared, to the appropriation for "Free Floating Baths—Salaries," for 1897.

Very respectfully, CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner of Public Works.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) be and the same is hereby transferred from the appropriation made to the Department of Public Works for 1897, entitled, "Lamps and Gas and Electric Lighting," the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation made to said department for 1897, entitled, "Free Floating Baths—Salaries," the amount of which appropriation is insufficient.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, September 28, 1897. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—In the report of Mr. Merritt H. Smith, Assistant Engineer of this Department, September 10, 1897, on the repaving of certain streets with asphalt, as proposed by the Commissioner of Public Works, he objects to such repaving on Eighty-first street, between Third and Park avenues, on account of the grade being over 3 per cent.; also on Eighty-first street, between Columbus and Amsterdam avenues, on account of the grade being over 3½ per cent.; also on Eighty-fourth street, between West End avenue and the Boulevard, on account of the grade being over 3½ per cent.; also at the intersection of Thirty-fourth street and Park avenue, where the crown of the pavement, on account of the tunnel, is so steep that asphalt would be undesirable, unless the crown could be materially lowered.

The Board of Estimate and Apportionment, at its meeting September 23, 1897, approved the list submitted by the Commissioner, with the exception of the portions objected to by Mr. Smith.

At the same time it was suggested that an additional report be made as to whether the substitution of an asphalt block-pavement for the asphalt pavement proposed would do away with the objections urged.

In my opinion, a grade of 3½ per cent., or even 3 per cent., is altogether too steep for any smooth pavement, be it asphalt or asphalt blocks. The asphalt block-pavement is so laid as to give no foothold to the horse, and, in slippery weather of any kind, it presents no advantage whatever over the asphalt pavement.
Respectfully, EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 87 of the Laws of 1897, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment authorizes and determines that the intersection at Thirty-fourth street and Park avenue be repaved with asphalt, on the present pavement, at an estimated cost of two thousand six hundred and sixty-five dollars, providing, however, that the crown of the avenue at this point can be materially reduced so as to make it practicable to use this class of pavement.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

CITY OF NEW YORK, FINANCE DEPARTMENT, October 11, 1897. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—In reference to the communication from the Commissioner of Public Works under date of July 23, 1897, requesting authority, under chapter 87 of the Laws of 1897, to repave with asphalt the streets on the accompanying list, I would respectfully report the following:

The repaving of Wall street, from the east side of Hanover street to the east side of Pearl street, continues the asphalt pavement already laid on this street.

Sixty-fourth street, between Park and Third avenues; Sixty-fifth street, between Lexington and Park avenues; Eighty-third street, between Fifth and Madison avenues, and Fifty-first street, between Sixth and Eighth avenues, are paved with old square trap or granite blocks, and are generally in poor condition. The repaving of these streets is desirable.

Sixty-fifth street, between Third and Lexington avenues, is also paved with square trap blocks, but the grade is over 3½ per cent., and I would not advise repaving this block with asphalt. Sixty-eighth street, between First and Second avenues, between Second and Third avenues, and between Central Park, West, and Columbus avenue is paved with specification trap blocks. Eighty-second street, between Columbus and the Boulevard, is also paved with specification trap, and the proposed pavement continues the asphalt from the Boulevard, east, on this street. These streets are considerably out of repair, and there are no objections to their repaving with asphalt.

Seventy-fourth street, between First and Park avenues; Forty-eighth street, between Eighth and Eleventh avenues, and Forty-ninth street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues, are paved with old square trap blocks. Eighty-fifth street, between Central Park, West, and Amsterdam

avenues, is paved with specification granite. The west side of the Boulevard, between One Hundred and Eighth and One Hundred and Tenth streets, is paved with macadam pavement. I have no objections to urge to the repaving of these streets.

On Eighty-fifth street and the west side of the Boulevard the proposed pavement will continue, asphalt pavements already laid. Respectfully, **MERRITT H. SMITH, Engineer.**

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, in pursuance of chapter 87 of the Laws of 1897, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment authorizes and determines that the following-named streets be repaved with asphalt, to be laid on the present pavement, with crosswalks of North River bluestone at the intersecting or abutting streets where deemed necessary, except where the intersecting or abutting streets are also paved with asphalt, viz.:

Estimated cost—Wall street, from the east side of Hanover street to the east side of Pearl street, \$3,360; Sixty-fourth street, from Park to Third avenue, \$9,353.60; Sixty-fifth street, from Lexington to Park avenue, \$4,569.60; Eighty-third street, from Fifth to Madison avenue, \$4,640; Sixty-eighth street, from First to Second avenue, \$7,065.45; Sixty-eighth street, from Second to Third avenue, \$6,718.95; Fifty-first street, from Sixth to Eighth avenue, \$17,225; Eighty-second street, from Columbus avenue to the Boulevard, \$13,692.25; Seventy-fourth street, from First to Park avenue, \$23,360; Sixty-eighth street, from Central Park, West, to Columbus avenue, \$9,044.75; Forty-eighth street, from Eighth to Eleventh avenue, \$26,560; Forty-ninth street, from Seventh to Eighth avenue, \$8,112; Eighty-fifth street, from Central Park, West, to Amsterdam avenue, \$18,037.50; Boulevard, west side, between One Hundred and Eighth and One Hundred and Tenth streets, \$6,197.50—\$157,936.60.

Resolved, That, for the purpose of providing means therefor, the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized to issue bonds in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to be known as "Consolidated Stock of the City of New York," as provided by section 132 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, to an amount not exceeding one hundred and fifty-seven thousand nine hundred and thirty-six dollars and sixty cents (\$157,936.60), redeemable within such period as the Comptroller may determine, but not less than twenty nor more than fifty years from the date of issue, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum.

Which were adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, September 15, 1897. **Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Mayor, and Chairman, Board of Estimate and Apportionment:**

DEAR SIR—I have the honor to recommend, and to ask your Board to authorize, the repaving of the following streets with asphalt on the present pavement, in pursuance of chapter 87 of the Laws of 1897:

	APPROXIMATE AREA, SQUARE YARDS.	ESTIMATED COST.
70th st., from Central Park, West, to New York Central and Hudson River Railway	9,650	\$31,372.50
12th st., bet. 6th and 7th aves.	2,313	7,401.60
West End ave., from the south side of 76th st. to the south side of 79th st.	4,745	12,849.50
Mercer st., from 3d to 4th st.	637	2,229.50
Broadway, from north side of 24th st. to the north side of 25th st.	1,220	4,636.00
66th st., from the Boulevard to Amsterdam ave.	1,980	6,237.00
69th st., from Central Park, West, to West End ave.	7,929	25,372.80
11th st., from 5th ave. to Avenue A.	12,420	39,870.90
Lewis st., from Houston to 8th st., where not within land grants.	2,900	12,233.00
6th st., from Avenue D to Lewis st., and 7th st., from Avenue C to Lewis st.	4,300	15,945.00
	47,494	\$158,137.80

Very respectfully,
(Signed) **CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner of Public Works.**

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, October 7, 1897. **Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:**

SIR—In reference to the communication from the Commissioner of Public Works dated September 15, 1897, requesting authority, in pursuance of chapter 87 of the Laws of 1897, to repave with asphalt the streets on the accompanying list, I respectfully report the following:

Seventieth street, between Central Park, West, and the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad, is paved with specification trap and granite; the pavement is not in good condition, but I understand that there is some opposition to the repaving of this street with asphalt.

Twelfth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, is paved with granite and is in poor condition, except in front of the St. Vincent's Hospital, where it is already paved with asphalt. There is no objection to the repavement of this street as recommended.

The paving of West End avenue, between Seventy-sixth and Seventy-ninth streets; Mercer street, between Third and Fourth streets, and Broadway, between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth street, will continue asphalt pavements already authorized or laid, the latter completing the square at the intersection of Broadway and Fifth avenue. There are no objections to this work.

Sixty-sixth street, between the Boulevard and Amsterdam avenue, and Sixty-ninth street, between Central Park, West, and West End avenue, are paved with specification trap and granite. The pavements are not in good condition, and I have no objections to urge to their repavement.

One Hundred and Eleventh street, between Fifth avenue and Avenue A; Lewis street, from Houston to Eighth street, where not within grants; Sixth street, from Avenue D to Lewis street, and Seventh street, from Avenue C to Lewis street, have already been ordered paved by resolution of the Common Council, and the Commissioner of Public Works requests that the work be transferred to chapter 87 of the Laws of 1897. The pavements are old and not in good condition, and I see no objection to the granting of this request.

Respectfully submitted, **MERRITT H. SMITH, Engineer.**

Resolved, That, in pursuance of chapter 87 of the Laws of 1897, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment authorizes and determines that the following-named streets be repaved with asphalt, to be laid on the present pavement, with crosswalks of North River bluestone at the intersecting or abutting streets where deemed necessary, except where the intersecting or abutting streets are also paved with asphalt, viz.:

Estimated Cost—Twelfth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, \$7,401.60; West End avenue, from the south side of Seventy-sixth street to the south side of Seventy-ninth street, \$12,849.50; Mercer street, from Third to Fourth street, \$2,229.50; Broadway, from the north side of Twenty-fourth street to the north side of Twenty-fifth street, \$4,636.00; Sixty-sixth street, Boulevard to Amsterdam avenue, \$6,237.00; Sixty-ninth street, Central Park, West, to West End avenue, \$25,372.80; One Hundred and Eleventh street, Fifth avenue to Avenue A, \$39,870.90; Lewis street, Houston street to Eighth street (where not within land grants), \$12,233.00; Sixth street, Avenue D to Lewis street, and Seventh street, Avenue C to Lewis street, \$15,945.00—\$126,775.30.

Resolved, That, for the purpose of providing means therefor, the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized to issue bonds in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to be known as "Consolidated Stock of the City of New York," as provided by section 132 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, to an amount not exceeding one hundred and twenty-six thousand seven hundred and seventy-five dollars and thirty cents (\$126,775.30), redeemable within such period as the Comptroller may determine, but not less than twenty nor more than fifty years from the date of issue, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum.

Which were adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller offered the following:

Whereas, The provisions of the Greater New York Charter materially alter the conditions under which bonds of the City of New York shall be issued after January 1, 1898; and

Whereas, It will be impracticable for the Comptroller to provide in a satisfactory manner for the issuing of bonds in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York during the last weeks of the current year;

Resolved, That the heads of all departments which will require authorizations for the issue of bonds by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment before January 1, 1898, be and hereby are requested to submit their requests therefor on or before December 1, 1897.

Which were adopted.

The Comptroller presented the following:

POLICE DEPARTMENT, NEW YORK, June 2, 1897. **The Honorable Board of Estimate and Apportionment, City:**

GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the Board of Police held this day the following proceedings were had:

Whereas, In the opinion of the Board of Police of the Police Department of the City of New York it is necessary that additional buildings shall be constructed for the purpose of a station-house, prison and stable for patrol wagons for the Twenty-first Police Precinct,

Resolved, That, in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 350 of the Laws of 1892, as amended by chapter 495 of the Laws of 1895, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and is hereby respectfully requested to authorize the Comptroller of the City of New York to issue bonds in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to be known as Police Department Bonds, for the amount of eighteen thousand (\$18,000) dollars, for the purchase from

Andrew H. Green, trustee of the estate of William B. Ogden, of the four lots on the east side of Sedgwick avenue, commencing about one hundred and thirty-seven (137) feet north of Wolf street, known as lots Nos. 9, 10, 11 and 12, plot No. 1, for the sum of four thousand five hundred dollars each, and that the Chief Clerk be directed to forward to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment the appraisal of Richard V. Harnett and of William M. Ryan of the value of such lots, together with the offer of Commissioner Grant for the purchase thereof and acceptance of such offer by Andrew H. Green, trustee. Very respectfully, **WM. H. KIPP, Chief Clerk.**

POLICE DEPARTMENT, May 27, 1897. **Hon. A. H. GREEN, Trustee of the Ogden Estate, No. 214 Broadway, New York:**

MY DEAR SIR—The Board of Police of the City of New York are desirous of securing some lots on Sedgwick avenue for the purpose of erecting a police precinct station-house, and have considered available for that purpose the four lots on the east side of Sedgwick avenue, commencing about 137 feet north of Wolf street, and known on your plat as lots Nos. 9, 10, 11 and 12. The Board has authorized me to make you an offer for these lots, subject to the approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, and I therefore offer you the price of \$4,500 each, or \$18,000 for the four lots. Please let me know if that will be satisfactory to you, and if I can request the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to issue bonds for the payment.

I am, Sir, very respectfully yours, **FREDERICK D. GRANT.**

OFFICE OF RICHARD V. HARNETT & CO., NEW YORK, May 20, 1897. **Hon. FREDERICK D. GRANT, Commissioner, No. 300 Mulberry Street:**

DEAR SIR—We beg to inclose herewith appraisal of the four lots on Sedgwick avenue, 137 feet north of Wolf street, and also the diagram which you sent us and of which we took the liberty of coloring the lots you wanted appraised. Thanking you again, we remain, yours very truly,

RICHARD V. HARNETT & CO.

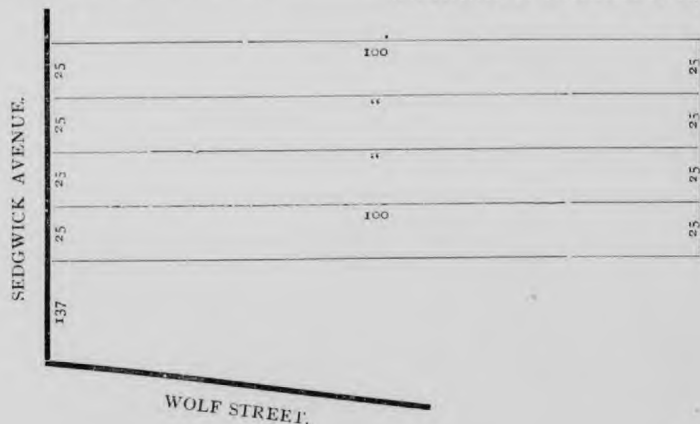
OFFICE OF RICHARD V. HARNETT & CO., NEW YORK, May 20, 1897.

CERTIFICATE OF VALUATION OF REAL ESTATE.

For **Hon. FREDERICK D. GRANT, Commissioner, No. 300 Mulberry Street:**

I have carefully examined the four lots situated on the easterly side of Sedgwick avenue, commencing 137 feet north of Wolf street, being 25 by 100 feet each, and consider same worth forty-five hundred dollars each (\$4,500 each), the same being situated in the Twenty-third Ward, N. Y. City.

RICHARD V. HARNETT, Appraiser.



NEW YORK, May 25, 1897. **Hon. FREDERICK D. GRANT, No. 300 Mulberry Street, City:**

DEAR SIR—I have examined the premises situated on the easterly side of Sedgwick avenue, commencing about one hundred and thirty-seven feet north of the northeast corner of Wolf street and Sedgwick avenue. Size of plot, 100 by 100.

The lots are on the grade, and have no evidence of rock beneath the surface. At the rear behind these lots the grade rises quite abruptly toward Lind avenue, which is about eighty feet higher than the grade of Sedgwick avenue. In my estimation the value of this property is \$24,000. There are very few sales in this neighborhood which can be used as a comparison for values. The last is the sale of three lots with old buildings on them, in 1896, on the westerly side of Sedgwick avenue, fifty feet south of Depot place. The price paid for these lots was at the rate of \$4,500 a piece, or \$13,400 for the plot.

The district is one which should increase in value, by reason of the fact that Depot place is one of the few outlets or approaches to the Harlem river north of the Central Avenue bridge. This is accounted for by the fact that the grade from the Harlem river to Sedgwick is so abrupt in many places. There is also a very important feature in connection with this property which does not obtain in other property on Sedgwick avenue; that is, its feasibility of access to the properties on the hill having Wolf street on the south and Undercliff avenue on the north.

Apologizing for the delay in sending you this appraisal, I remain, Very truly yours, **WILLIAM M. RYAN.**

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, July 8, 1897. **Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:**

SIR—The Board of Police, in communication of June 2, 1897, to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, transmits the following preamble and resolution adopted on that date, viz.:

"Whereas, In the opinion of the Board of Police of the Police Department of the City of New York it is necessary that additional buildings shall be constructed for the purpose of a station-house, prison and stable for patrol wagons for the First Police Precinct,

"Resolved, That, in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 350 of the Laws of 1892, as amended by chapter 495 of the Laws of 1895, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and is hereby requested to authorize the Comptroller of the City of New York to issue bonds in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to be known as Police Department Bonds, for the amount of eighteen thousand dollars, for the purchase from Andrew H. Green, trustee of the estate of William B. Ogden, of the four lots on the east side of Sedgwick avenue, commencing about one hundred and thirty-seven (137) feet north of Wolf street, known as lots 9, 10, 11 and 12, plot No. 1, for the sum of four thousand five hundred dollars each, and that the Chief Clerk be directed to forward to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment the appraisal of Richard V. Harnett and of William M. Ryan of the value of such lots, together with the offer of Commissioner Grant for the purchase thereof and acceptance of such offer by Andrew H. Green, trustee."

I have examined the premises very carefully and find that the northerly lot pierces the hill-side on its northerly line 39 feet, and that the depth of the excavation necessary to grade the lot to the grade of the street will be 31 feet 5 inches. The depth of this excavation on the easterly line of the parcel will run from 31 feet 5 inches on the northerly end to 7 feet 1 inch on the southerly end.

My estimate of the amount of excavation necessary to bring the lot to grade is 954 cubic yards, of rock and earth, of which I estimate about three-quarters will be rock. The exact figures on which this estimate is based I obtain from the survey, a map of which was furnished me by the agent of Mr. Green, and which is inclosed herewith.

The disclosures of this survey do not confirm the statement made by Mr. Ryan, in his estimate of value, that "the lots are on the grade and have no evidence of rock beneath the surface."

The property in this locality is owned by a very rich estate, which values it at so high a rate that no sales are made. The only reliable sale is of three lots, on the westerly side of Sedgwick avenue, not belonging to this estate, which were bought at the rate of \$4,500 per lot, each lot having on it a two-story frame house, with stone foundation walls.

The only assessed valuation I can find on the tax books is of a plot which includes the larger part of these premises, which plot contains about 29.3 city lots, and is assessed at \$12,000, or about \$409 per city lot.

The high price placed on these lots is based on the facts that there is a railroad station there, and that it is the only point, within a considerable distance, which affords access to the interior. Lately there is a trolley car runs to it, which no doubt is also taken into account. What will be the future advance it is difficult to say, but we know that within the last fifteen or twenty years the improvement has been very slight.

Taking everything into consideration, I cannot agree with the estimates given, and consider \$3,500 per lot a very full price to pay. Respectfully, **EUG. E. MCLEAN, Engineer.**

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, October 10, 1897. **Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:**

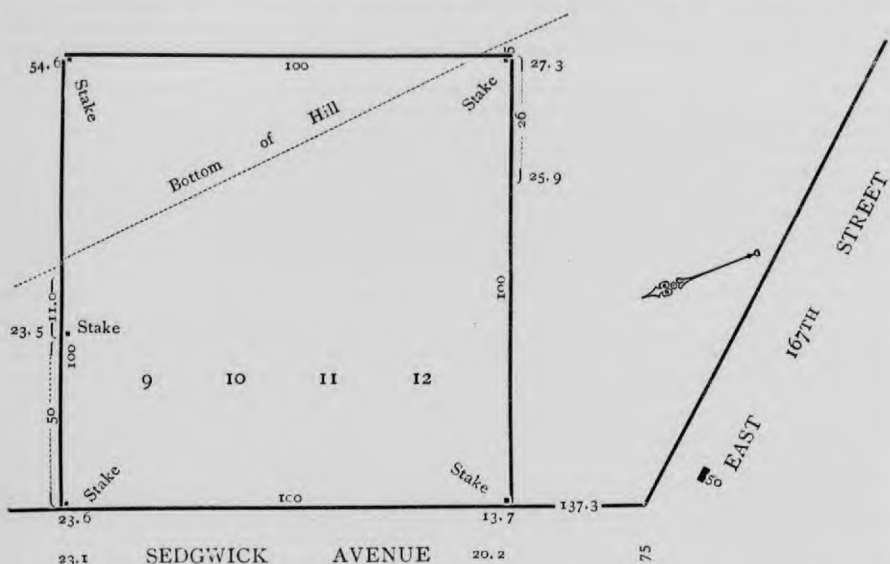
SIR—In my report of July 8, 1897, on the resolution of the Board of Police, requesting the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to authorize the Comptroller to issue bonds for the amount of \$18,000 for the purchase from Andrew H. Green, trustee of the estate of William B. Ogden, of the four lots on the east side of Sedgwick avenue, commencing about 137 feet north of Wolf street, for the sum of \$4,500 each, I stated that "taking everything into consideration, I cannot agree with the estimate given, and consider \$3,500 per lot a full price to pay."

Mr. Green, in a communication of October 8, 1897, agrees to accept for the aforesaid lots the sum of \$14,000, or the price per lot, \$3,500, which I consider the full value.

If the Board of Police still wish to purchase the lots, I think that amount might properly be paid for them. Respectfully, **EUG. E. MCLEAN, Engineer.**

OFFICE OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM B. OGDEN, NO. 214 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, October 8, 1897. **Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller of the City of New York.**

DEAR SIR—Referring to the offer of a plot of ground, consisting of four lots situated on the easterly side of Sedgwick avenue, north of Wolf street, heretofore submitted by me to the Commissioners of Police of this city as a site for a police station, with the understanding that a suitable building is to be erected thereon, as and for a police station-house for that Precinct and accepted by said Commissioners, who have made application to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for funds to pay for the same, I have concluded, after negotiations with you and in view of certain reasons submitted by you, to accept, in payment for said plot heretofore referred to, the sum of \$14,000. THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM B. OGDEN, ANDREW H. GREEN, Trustee.



And offered the following:

Whereas, The Board of Police by a resolution adopted June 2, 1897, requested the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to issue Police Department bonds to the amount of eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000), to provide for the purchase of four lots on the east side of Sedgwick avenue, about one hundred and thirty-seven feet north of Wolf street, from the estate of William B. Ogden, deceased; and

Whereas, In a communication to the Comptroller, dated October 8, 1897, the Honorable Andrew H. Green, trustee of the estate of William B. Ogden, deceased, has offered to sell said lots for fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000);

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 350 of the Laws of 1892, as amended by chapter 495 of the Laws of 1895, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the purchase of said lots for the sum of fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000), and that for the purpose of providing means therefor the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized to issue Police Department bonds to the amount of fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000), bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one half per cent. per annum, and redeemable within such period as the Comptroller may determine, but not less than twenty nor more than fifty years from the date of issue.

Which were adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller offered the following:

Resolved, That the amounts following be and hereby are appropriated from the "Excise Taxes," under the provisions of section 210, chapter 410, Laws of 1882 (New York City Consolidated Act of 1882), and chapter 112 of the Laws of 1896; chapter 312, Laws of 1897, for the support of children, in the month of August, 1897, committed by Magistrates to the institutions named, pursuant to law:

NAME.	No. of Children.	No. of Days.	AMOUNT.	Association for the Benefit of Colored Orphans.	172	5,290	1,511 43
Mission of the Immaculate Virgin	892	27,352	\$7,814 26	American Female Guardian Society and Home for the Friendless	179	5,182	1,480 57
Institution of Mercy	842	25,627	7,320 00	Five Points House of Industry	303	9,170	2,620 00
Missionary Sisters, Third Order of St. Francis	887	27,033	7,717 71	Asylum of St. Vincent de Paul	100	3,032	866 28
Dominican Convent of Our Lady of the Rosary	515	15,788	4,510 86	St. Michael's Home	104	3,138	902 28
Asylum Sisters of St. Dominic	281	8,651	2,471 71	St. Ann's Home	341	10,508	3,002 28
St. Joseph's Asylum	756	22,912	6,546 28	Association for Benefitting Children and Young Girls	172	5,287	1,510 57
St. Agatha Home for Children	272	8,171	2,334 57	St. Elizabeth's Industrial School	105	3,162	903 43
St. James' Home	88	2,661	760 28	Hebrew Infant Asylum of the City of New York	32	948	270 86
				Total			\$52,543 97

Rate, \$2 per week.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of one hundred and eighty-six dollars be and hereby is appropriated from the "Excise Taxes" to "St. Zita's Home for Friendless Women," for the support of twenty-five inmates, in the month of August, 1897, aggregating six hundred and fifty-one days, at the rate of two dollars per week, pursuant to section 210, chapter 410, Laws of 1882 (New York City Consolidated Act of 1882); chapter 112, Laws of 1896; chapter 312, Laws of 1897.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of three hundred and seventy-one dollars and ninety-two cents be and hereby is appropriated from the "Excise Taxes" to the "Home for Fallen and Friendless Girls," for the support of thirty-two inmates, in the month of August, 1897, aggregating nine hundred and five days, at the rate of one hundred and fifty dollars per annum, pursuant to section 208, chapter 410, Laws of 1882 (New York City Consolidated Act of 1882); chapter 112, Laws of 1896; chapter 312, Laws of 1897.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Counsel to the Corporation presented the following:

LAW DEPARTMENT—OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, NEW YORK, October 5, 1897. To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—I have received a communication from the Clerk of the Board, transmitting a certified copy of the resolution adopted by the Board on the 16th day of September, 1897, approving of the recommendation of the Commissioner of Public Works in regard to the widening of the Lexington avenue approach to the Third Avenue Bridge as specified in his communication addressed to the Board, dated August 25, 1897, and requesting me to prepare for action by the Board, a resolution to carry into effect said recommendation, and to provide for the acquisition of the land necessary therefor.

I have prepared and herewith transmit the desired resolution.

I also transmit herewith the two maps described in the resolution.

Respectfully yours, FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 413 of the Laws of 1892, as amended by chapters 540 of the Laws of 1894, 716 of the Laws of 1896 and 660 of the Laws of 1897, the two maps this day submitted to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment by the Commissioner of Public Works, and entitled as follows: one, "Map of lands required for the widening of the East One Hundred and Thirtieth street and southwest approach to the bridge over Harlem river, under chapter 413, Laws of 1892, and under chapter 716, Laws of 1896, and under chapter 660, Laws of 1897;" and the other, "Plan for the widening of One Hundred and Thirtieth street, from Lexington to Park avenue, and southwest approach of the Third Avenue Bridge over Harlem river;" chapter 413, Laws of 1892; chapter 716, Laws of 1896; chapter 660, Laws of 1897," be and the same hereby are, and each of them is approved; and

Resolved, That the consent and approval of the Board are hereby given to the acquisition by the Commissioner of Public Works for and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of

the City of New York, of the title in fee to the lands necessary for the said approach, as shown on the map first above described.

Which were adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The following communication was received:

OFFICE OF RECORDING SECRETARY, ORDER OF KNIGHTS OF LABOR, NEW YORK CITY, September 25, 1897. Hon. EDWARD P. BARKER, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments:

DEAR SIR—The inclosed resolutions of the Paving Inspectors were unanimously passed by District Assembly No. 49, Knights of Labor, at their last regular meeting, which was attended by the representatives of over 50,000 men. The Paving Inspectors are a body of men who have performed faithful service for a number of years, but whose faithfulness and length of service have never been fully recognized. We believe, Mr. President, that you would reward merit and length of service in your own business, and as your administration is being conducted on business principles, would you not recommend reward in this instance?

We therefore respectfully request that a hearing be given a committee of representative men before the Board of Apportionment, when they will show your Honorable Body where the City will save thousands of dollars by bringing about this very necessary reform.

I am, respectfully yours,

MICHAEL KELLY, Secretary.

We, the Inspectors' Association, K. of L., respectfully ask for an annual salary of \$1,200 in lieu of the per diem wages we are now receiving.

Why we ask this—

We are competent, practical men, some of many years' service, who have passed competitive Civil Service examinations for the position of Inspector of Paving, and being appointed as such, should, in the interests of the City, be regularly employed. As the case now stands, many of us do not receive six months' wages out of the twelve, because it is claimed there is not sufficient work, we being employed only on contracts. Work, however, can be found for us if the miles of street openings made every year by plumbers, gas, subway, railroad and other corporations were supervised by an Inspector of Paving, instead of, as now, by men who are known as "Corporation Inspectors." These men are not practical, neither have they passed Civil Service examination—they are appointed by the Commissioners of the different departments, paid by the various above-mentioned corporations at the rate of \$120 per month, thereby serving two heads. Can conscientious work be done in this way?

It is a common occurrence to see these corporations tearing up pavements for the purpose of laying pipe, making connections, etc., and upon completion of same, instead of refilling the excavations made and restoring the pavement to its former condition, have the work so done that the result is many depressions soon after the pavement is relaid. This would not happen if supervised by competent Inspectors. We would call your attention to a communication of February 24, 1897, from Deputy Commissioner H. P. Wilds to the President of the Board of Aldermen, relative to "the restoration of pavements over openings made in public streets by plumbers," which plainly shows the necessity of proper supervision.

Would not the best interests of the City be served by paying an annual salary to us, "The Civil Service Inspectors," who have had, and always will have, the public interest at heart?

The Building Inspector receives an annual salary. The Engineer Inspector of Paving, a recent creation, receives \$3.50 per diem and overtime while on contract work, and when not employed on contract work, at the rate of \$1,000 per annum.

Why, then, should we be exempted, when there is sufficient work for us, providing our positions are not usurped by incompetents?

Why not pay us an annual salary?

We are sure that the continual employment of a competent, practical, honest body of inspectors, to supervise all improvements and repairs to the City will repay the City ten-fold for the money expended on their salaries by saving thousands of dollars to the taxpayers, and make this metropolis what it should be.

We sincerely hope this will meet with your approval.

[SEAL] Respectfully,

MICHAEL KELLY, Secretary.

M. O'Connor, Michael Kelly et al., appeared and made statements relative thereto.

Debate was had thereon, whereupon the subject was laid over to be considered in the Final Estimate for the year 1898.

On motion, the Board proceeded to the consideration of the Provisional Estimate for the year 1898.

The Estimates of the Mayor's Office, Mayor's Marshal, Department of Public Works, Department of Public Parks, and Board of Aldermen were taken up and considered.

On motion, the Board adjourned to meet on Wednesday, October 13, 1897, at eleven o'clock A. M.

E. P. BARKER, Secretary.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, NEW YORK, September 15, 1897.

Present—President James R. Sheffield.

There being no quorum, the opening of proposals for furnishing hose and coal, advertised for 10.30 o'clock A. M., this date, was adjourned to Wednesday, September 29, 1897.

CARL JUSSEN, Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, NEW YORK, September 29, 1897.

Present—President James R. Sheffield, in the chair, and Commissioner O. H. LaGrange.

OPENING OF PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING FIRE HOSE, PEAS COAL, AND FOR ALTERING AND REPAIRING QUARTERS OF ENGINE COMPANY NO. 30.

Affidavits of Supervisor of City Record as to due publication of advertisements were read and filed, and forms of contracts approved by the Counsel to the Corporation were submitted.

Proposals were received as follows:

For furnishing 500 feet of 2½-inch rubber fire hose, "A 1 Rubber Fire Hose" brand—No. 1, Empire Rubber Manufacturing Company, \$450.

For furnishing 500 feet 2½ inch carbolized rubber fire hose, "World Fire Hose" brand—No. 1, Home Rubber Company, \$360.

For furnishing 500 feet 2½-inch cotton rubber-lined fire hose, "Bay State Jacket" brand—No. 1, Boston Woven Hose and Rubber Company, \$400.

—each with security deposit of \$12.50 in currency.

The proposals of the Home Rubber Company, and of the Boston Woven Hose and Rubber Company were referred to the Comptroller for action on the sureties. The proposal of the Empire Rubber Manufacturing Company, being irregular, was rejected and filed.

For furnishing 80 tons pea coal—No. 1, George W. Winant, \$2,440; No. 2, W. C. Moquin, \$2,328; No. 3, Wynn Brothers, \$2,264, each with security deposit of \$60.

The proposal of Wynn Bros., No. 3, being the lowest, was referred to the Comptroller for action on the sureties. The others were filed.

For alterations and repairs to quarters of Engine Company No. 30, No. 253 Spring street—No. 1, Christopher Nally Company, \$4,085; No. 2, Hartman & Horgan, \$4,200; No. 3, Thomas B. Leahy, \$3,393; No. 4, Peter J. Ryan, \$3,469; No. 5, John Fury, \$5,790; No. 6, Werner & Haas, \$3,800, each with security deposit of \$85.

The proposal of Thomas B. Leahy, No. 3, being the lowest, was referred to the Comptroller for action on the sureties. The others were filed.

CONSULTATION WITH HEADS OF BUREAUS.

Present—Chief of Department, Inspector of Combustibles, Superintendent of Telegraph, Foreman in charge of Repair Shops, Building Superintendent, Medical Officer Lyons.

TRIALS.

Trials were held and disposed of as follows:

Fireman 2d grade John J. Callahan, Engine 31, for "absence without leave." Adjourned to Wednesday next.

Fireman 1st grade Thomas J. Tobin, Hook and Ladder 10, for "neglect of duty." Fined two days' pay.

Fireman 2d grade Daniel W. Price, Engine 18, for "absence without leave." Fined four days' pay.

Fireman 1st grade James A. McCormick No. 2, Engine 18, "under the influence of liquor." Adjourned to Wednesday next.

Fireman 1st grade John S. Mulster, Hook and Ladder 4, for "absence without leave." Fined one day's pay.

Fireman 1st grade Patrick Gannon, Engine 8, "conduct prejudicial to good order." Charge dismissed.

The minutes of meetings held on the 8th and 10th insts. were read and approved.

The President reported hearings on charges on the 15th and 22d insts., with recommendation in each case, which were approved, as follows:

Fireman 2d grade Batholomew P. Sheridan, Hook and Ladder 14, "absence without leave." Reprimanded.

Fireman 1st grade John Schultz, Engine 6, "absence without leave." Fined two days' pay.

Fireman 1st grade Michael Donovan, Engine 12, "absence without leave." Fined one day's pay.

Fireman 1st grade William J. McKeon, Engine 12, "absence without leave." Fined one day's pay.

Fireman 2d grade Stephen Sullivan, Engine 29, "absence without leave." Fined three days' pay and transfer ordered.

Fireman 1st grade John A. Marx, Engine 26, "absence without leave." Fined four days' pay and transfer ordered.

Fireman 1st grade Patrick P. Slattery, Engine 53, "neglect of duty." Fined two days' pay.

Fireman 1st grade John F. Krowl, Engine 52, "absence without leave for twelve days consecutively." Name dropped from the rolls under the provisions of section 436 of the Consolidation Act, to take effect from 8 A. M. on the 13th inst.

EXPENDITURES AUTHORIZED.

Subway work, \$25; engine-house gongs, \$175; book rest, \$7.20; letter-file cabinet, \$48; carriage lamps, \$54; fresh water connections, \$57; plumbago packing, \$60; battery zincs, \$100; hydrant connections, \$355; smoke protectors, \$450; general supplies, \$511; Cooper hose jackets, \$610; general supplies, \$795.22; four horses, \$816; buttons and fire-alarm keys, \$133.20.

The action of the President in the following matters was approved:

Awarding contract for furnishing fire-pumps for new fire-boat to the American Fire Engine Company at \$8,500.

Awarding contract to the American Fire Hose Company for furnishing hose, \$425.

Awarding contract to Hartman & Horgan for erecting apparatus house on West One Hundred and Seventieth street, at \$22,000.

Notifying the New York Belting and Packing Company, Limited, that bid for hose is informal and irregular, and directing re-advertisement of the same.

Ordering builder's surveys of Lots 42 and 44, Great Jones street, No. 363 Broome street, West Seventy-fifth and Seventy-sixth streets, Main street (West Chester), and Schofield avenue, City Island.

Requesting the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to authorize the purchase of premises No. 119 Maiden lane at \$47,400.

Applying to the Sinking Fund Commissioners for an extension of lease of lot occupied as temporary quarters of Engine 48.

Accepting resignation of Plumber Thomas J. Kelly.

Appointing Charles A. Rhind as Architectural Draughtsman, temporarily, at rate of \$1,000 per annum, from 23d instant.

Accepting gift of marine glasses for fire-boat "The New Yorker."

Referring reports received from company commanders of violation of law in hotels, to the Attorney.

Referring request of Fireman Timothy F. Sullivan for promotion, to the Civil Service Commission.

Approving the restoration to duty of Groundman Michael Gormly, by the Superintendent of Telegraph.

Replying to communication of the Board of Electrical Control relative to dangerous poles left standing.

Ordering that the application of the New York Hospital to have the Hudson Street Hospital connected with fire telegraph be granted.

Approving application of the Society of Colonial Dames for a special building-box in Van Cortlandt Mansion.

Granting the request of the New York Telephone Company to attach wires to Department poles on One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, between Forrest and Trinity avenues, and on Eighth avenue, between One Hundred and Thirty-sixth and One Hundred and Thirty-ninth streets.

Notifying the J. B. Cornell Iron Works to meet the bill for repairs incurred in restoring fire-alarm box, etc., at New street and Exchange place.

Approving designation of signal 3-376 for Harlem Music Hall.

Complying with the request of the City Record to have a representative of the Department call for the purpose of revising requisitions for stationery, etc.

Replying to the request of the Department of Buildings relative to buildings rented for synagogue purposes.

Replying to the request of the Harlem Board of Trade that the Mount Morris Tower be repaired.

Replying to the request of the West Morrisania Property Owners' Association, relative to the proposed fire-house on Railroad avenue and One Hundred and Fifty-ninth street.

Replying to the resolution of the Electrical Contractors' Association, relative to uniforming the inspection force of the Bureau of Fire Alarm Telegraph, etc.

Replying to communication from the Manhattan Fire Alarm Company, through Lawrence Godkin, counsel, relative to form of certificate to users of their system.

Approving request of the Manhattan Fire Alarm Company to run overhead circuits in connecting premises of the Sicilian Asphalt Paving Company with box 551, and the premises of the Atlantic Transport Company with box 231, under certain conditions.

COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED AND DISPOSED OF.

Referred.

Reports of violations of law (chimney fires). Back to Inspector of Combustibles, with directions to enforce collection of penalties.

Application of John F. Walsh, Jr., to build fire in street. Forwarded by the Inspector of Combustibles, with request for instructions. To the attorney for advice.

Recommendation of the Fire Marshall that the building law be amended to provide proof vestibules and letter boxes in tenements. To the Attorney, with instructions to draft a bill, or amendments to existing law, for that purpose.

Request of Major N. B. Thurston, Twenty-second Regiment, National Guard, to have a fire-alarm instrument placed in his residence. To the Superintendent of Telegraph, for estimate of cost.

Filed.

Monthly report of water pressure at fire hydrants in Fourteenth Battalion District.

Report of loss and subsequent recovery of coat badge No. 416, by Fireman 1st grade Samuel T. Warren, of Engine 23.

Application of John P. Walsh, Hook and Ladder 15, for examination with view to retirement.

Request of the Standard Underground Cable Company to defer subway cable construction on West street, recommended by the Superintendent of Telegraph.

Report on broken combination signal post at corner Hudson and Duane streets.

Report of reason why box 3-321, on Blackwell's Island, was not in working order on the 24th instant.

Communication from Frederick Van Tine, claiming position and back pay as Clerk in the Department.

List of property unfit for use; sale ordered.

Copy of resolution assigning lot adjoining drill-yard in rear of Department Headquarters to the Department for its use and purposes.

Copy of opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation in the matter of the purchase of supplies from the Prison authorities.

Statement of the condition of appropriation.

Statement of the condition of proceedings for the acquisition of property known as Nos. 42-44 Great Jones street.

Petition of Timothy Harris and others to have an apparatus house built on site corner of One Hundred and Fifty-ninth street and Railroad avenue.

Request of James Carroll for action to prevent loss of privilege on future work, and of his security deposit accompanying proposal for repairs to quarters of Engine 30.

Copies of chapter 174, Laws of 1897, relating to the manner of delivering and weighing coal.

Insurance policy on fire-boat Zophar Mills, in accordance with the contract for furnishing new boilers for that boat.

BILLS AND PAY-ROLLS AUDITED.

Schedule 179 of 1895—total, \$341.55; Schedule 155 of 1896—total, \$120; Schedule 156 of 1896—total, \$176; Schedule 81 of 1897—total, \$1,432.25; Schedule 82 of 1897—total, \$1,916.18; Schedule 83 of 1897, total—\$1,957.73; Schedule 84 of 1897—total, \$5,617.61.

Ordered, That Fireman 1st Grade John P. Walsh, Hook and Ladder 15, be examined by the Medical Officers as to his physical and mental qualifications to perform his duties.

On recommendation of the Volunteer Life Saving Corps of New York, that Engineer John F. Walsh, Engine Co. 5, receive honorable mention on the roll of merit for rescuing a boy from drowning at Rockaway Beach on the 19th day of August.

RESOLUTIONS WERE ADOPTED AS FOLLOWS:

Resolved, That the two similar surveys, maps or plans made by G. O. Rudolph, City Surveyor, under the direction of this Board, of the following described premises heretofore selected by this Board as a site for buildings for the use of the Fire Department of the City of New York, pursuant to the resolution heretofore adopted in relation thereto, to wit:

All those two certain lots, pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in the Twentieth Ward of the City of New York, which, taken together, are bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the north side of West Thirty-third street, distant two hundred feet and one inch westerly from the intersection of the west side of Sixth avenue with the north side of West Thirty-third street, running thence westerly along the north side of West Thirty-third street 49 feet 10½ inches; thence northerly and parallel with the west side of Sixth avenue 98 feet and 9 inches; thence easterly and parallel with the north side of West Thirty-third street, 50 feet; thence southerly and parallel with the west side of Sixth avenue, 98 feet and 9 inches, to the point or place of beginning, being the premises known as Nos. 113 and 115 West Thirty-third street

—be and the same hereby are approved by this Board; that such approval thereof be attested by the signature of the President of this Board subscribed thereon, and that the same be filed, one in

the office of the Register of the City and County of New York, and the other in the office of this Board, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 630 of the Laws of 1897, and that three copies of said surveys, maps or plans be made and attested in like manner; and that the Counsel to the Corporation be and he hereby is authorized and requested to take such proceedings as may be necessary or proper for the acquisition of said site under and in pursuance of said act and under chapter 151 of the Laws of 1894 and all other statutes in such cases made and provided; and

Resolved, That this Board, deeming it for the public interest that the title to the lands and premises above described and all interests therein should be acquired by the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, at a fixed or specified time, does hereby direct that at a date four months after the filing of the oaths of the Commissioners of Appraisal who may be appointed by the Supreme Court in proceedings to acquire title to said lands and premises, the title to said lands and premises, and all interests therein, shall vest in the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Resolved, That the two similar surveys, maps or plans made by G. O. Rudolph, City Surveyor, under the direction of this Board, of the following-described premises heretofore selected by this Board as a site for buildings for the use of the Fire Department of the City of New York, pursuant to the resolution heretofore adopted in relation thereto, to wit:

All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the First Ward of the City of New York and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the north side of Thames street, distant 23 feet and 4½ inches westerly from the intersection of the west side of Temple street with the north side of Thames street, running thence westerly along the north side of Thames street 24 feet and ¾ inch; thence northerly and parallel with the west side of Temple street, 51 feet and 9 inches; thence easterly and parallel with the north side of Thames street, 24 feet and 1 inch; thence southerly and parallel with the west side of Temple street, 51 feet and 9 inches, to the point or place of beginning, being the premises known as No. 7 Thames street

—be and the same hereby are approved by this Board; that such approval thereof be attested by the signature of the President of this Board subscribed thereon, and that the same be filed, one in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York, and the other in the office of this Board, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 630 of the Laws of 1897, and that three copies of said surveys, maps or plans be made and attested in like manner; and that the Counsel to the Corporation be and he hereby is authorized and requested to take such proceedings as may be necessary or proper for the acquisition of said site under and in pursuance of said act and under chapter 151 of the Laws of 1894, and all other statutes in such cases made and provided; and

Resolved, That this Board, deeming it for the public interest that the title to the lands and premises above described and all interests therein shall be acquired by the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, at a fixed or specified time, does hereby direct that at a date four months after the filing of the oaths of the Commissioners of Appraisal who may be appointed by the Supreme Court in proceedings to acquire title to said lands and premises the title to said lands and premises and all interests therein shall vest in the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Adjourned.

CARL JUSSEN, Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, NEW YORK, October 1, 1897.

The Board of Commissioners met this day.

Present—President James R. Sheffield, in the chair, and Commissioner O. H. La Grange.

COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

were disposed of as follows:

Referred.

Thirty reports of results of inspection of lodging-houses, hospitals, hotels, asylums, etc. To the Attorney.

Filed.

Report of recovery of coat badge 401. Request of New York Telephone Company for permission to attach telephone cable to fuel depot, No. 304 Washington street; approved. Communication from New York Board of Fire Underwriters, inclosing copies of national code, as amended, and requesting postponement of enforcement of new rules for the installation of electrical apparatus. Receipt for security deposit, accompanying proposal opened on the 30th ultimo.

Adjourned.

CARL JUSSEN, Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, NEW YORK, October 6, 1897.

The Board of Commissioners met this day.

Present—President James R. Sheffield in the chair, and Commissioners O. H. LaGrange and Thomas Sturgis.

OPENING OF PROPOSALS FOR ERECTING A BUILDING ON EAST SIDE OF FOREST AVENUE, 450 FEET NORTH OF ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTIETH STREET, AND FOR HOSE.

Affidavits of Supervisor of the City Record as to due publication of advertisements were read and filed, and forms of contract approved by Counsel to the Corporation were submitted.

Estimates were received as follows:

For erecting building on Forest avenue—No. 1, Louis Harding, \$18,597; No. 2, Ryan & McFerran, \$18,000; No. 3, Christopher Nally Company, \$16,770; No. 4, R. McArtney, \$19,142; No. 5, M. F. Cusack, \$17,174; No. 6, George Telfer, \$16,670; No. 7, Thomas Dwyer, \$15,878; No. 8, John Fury, \$16,408; No. 9, John F. Johnson, \$17,131; each with security deposit, \$375.

The bid of Thomas Dwyer, No. 7, being the lowest, was referred to the Comptroller for action on the sureties. The others were filed.

No bids were received for furnishing hose.

CONSULTATIONS WITH HEADS OF BUREAUS.

Present—Chief of Department, Inspector of Combustibles, Superintendent of Telegraph, Attorney, Medical Officer Lyons, Foreman in Charge of Repair Shops, Superintendent of Stables and Building Superintendent.

TRIALS

were held and disposed of as follows:

Fireman 1st grade John J. Hannon, Engine 4, adjourned to Wednesday, the 20th instant.

Fireman 1st grade Robert McEvoy, Engine 32, "neglect of duty," fined one day's pay.

Fireman 1st grade Peter F. Martin, Engine 32, "neglect of duty" and "disrespectful language," fined seven days' pay in all.

Engineer John F. Coyle, Engine 7, "neglect of duty," fined three days' pay.

Fireman 2d grade John J. Callahan, Engine 31, adjourned to Wednesday, the 20th instant.

Fireman 1st grade Maurice Foley, Engine 27, "disobedience of orders," fined one day's pay.

Fireman 1st grade James A. McCormick, Engine 18, case adjourned to Wednesday, the 20th instant.

Fireman 1st grade Charles R. Griffith, Engine 16, "absence without leave," fined two days' pay.

Fireman 1st grade Frank E. Corson, Engine 22, "conduct prejudicial to good order," fined three days' pay.

Ordered, That Chief of Battalion Thomas Lally be directed to appear before the Board with reference to the management of a fire which occurred at Nos. 465 and 467 Washington street on the 5th ult., and that the Chief of Department and Deputy Chief of Department Purroy be requested to be present.

The suggestion of the President that the new fire-boat now in course of construction be named "Wm. L. Strong," in honor of the present Mayor, was approved.

The minutes of the meetings held September 29 and October 1 were read and approved.

A committee from the Electrical Contractors' Association was heard on the resolution adopted by that association requesting that the Inspectors of Electrical Appliances in the Bureau of Fire Alarm Telegraph, etc., be uniformed. It was decided, in view of the fact that this branch of the service will, after January 1 next, be transferred to another Department by operation of law, that it is deemed inadvisable to comply with the request.

COMMUNICATIONS, ETC., RECEIVED WERE DISPOSED OF AS FOLLOWS:

Expenditures Authorized.

Repairs to fire-boat "Zophar Mills," \$114; typewriter, \$100; subway construction to connect residence of Chief of Battalion Byrnes with telegraph service, \$250; map rack, \$5; masonry, quarters Engine 8, \$10; shaving bin, quarters Engine 39, \$30; galvanized iron chimney, quarters Hook and Ladder 8, \$55; carpentry work, quarters Hook and Ladder 3, \$67; blue-stone, battery zincs, etc., \$195; window glass, \$25; constructing subway on Eleventh street, \$875.

Referred.

Recommendation of Chief of Department that Acme electric lamps be purchased for use on wagons of chief officers. To Purchasing Agent, to confer with Chief of Department.

Report on proposition of Sunlight Commercial Company to furnish houses with incandescent gas lamps. To Committee on Telegraph, etc.

Report of violations of law—chimney fires. To Inspector of Combustibles to enforce collection of penalties.

Report of places of amusement without telegraph connection. To the Attorney.

Request of John D. Roe for information as to value of Monarch Fire Extinguisher. To the Chief of Department.

Quotation prices for salt bricks and holders. To the Superintendent of Stables for report.

Filed.

Report of condition of auxilialized box No. 87 on the 27th ult., with accompanying papers. Relative to construction of vault under sidewalk at new engine house on One Hundred and Seventieth street. Request of North Side Board of Trade for information relating to the Department in the Borough of the Bronx; answered. Report of transfers. Report of Chief of First Battalion, with accompanying communications, relative to cause of not adjusting auxilialized box. Proposed diagrams for theatre programs, with approval of the Chief of Department thereon. Report of verbal alarm of fire at Proctor's Theatre on the 4th inst. Report

of loss of key No. 3 for alarm box 2-346. Report of medical examination of Fireman 1st Grade John P. Walsh, Hook and Ladder 15. Report of hose replaced by the Eureka Fire Hose Company. Notice of meeting of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment. Request for information as to disposition of James Carroll's proposal for repairs to quarters of Engine 30; answer communicated. Statement of condition of appropriation. Relative to change of date for examinations for promotion in the Department. Communication commending the new rules for governing the installation of electrical appliances, etc. Report of connection of the premises of the Sicilian Asphalt Paving Company with box 551.

CONTRACTS AWARDED.

For furnishing 500 feet 2½-inch fire hose—"Bay State Jacket" brand. To the Boston Woven Hose and Rubber Company, \$400.
For furnishing 500 feet 2½-inch fire hose—"World Fire Hose" brand. To the Home Rubber Company, \$360.
For furnishing 800 tons pea coal—To Wynn Bros., \$2,264.

BILLS AND PAY-ROLLS AUDITED.

Schedule 157 of 1896—total, \$166.92; Schedule 85 of 1897—total, \$1,911.88; Schedule 86 of 1897—total, \$1,729; Schedule 87 of 1897—total, \$158,269.27.

RETIRED ON HALF PAY.

Fireman 1st grade John P. Walsh, Hook and Ladder 15, from the 8th inst.
The report of the Commissioners of Appraisal in the matter of the application to acquire two lots on Great Jones street, between Lafayette place and the Bowery, for Fire Department purposes, amount of appraisal, \$29,750 each, transmitted by the Counsel to the Corporation, was placed on file.

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Stables, it was ordered that 15 horses, unfit for service, be sold at public auction.

Petitions to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners of Appraisal to acquire lots for Department uses on Broome street, Seventy-fifth and Seventy-sixth streets, Main street, Westchester, and Schofield avenue, City Island, received from the Law Department for signatures of the Commissioners, were signed and returned.

A communication from the Taxpayers' Alliance, stating that Westchester and Classon avenues is the most central location for a fire-alarm box, was filed, with directions to inform them of the action to be taken with reference thereto.

Adjourned.

CARL JUSSEN, Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, NEW YORK, October 8, 1897.

The Board of Commissioners met this day.
Present—President James R. Sheffield, in the chair, and Commissioners O. H. LaGrange and Thomas Sturgis.

Chief of Battalion Lally appeared, as directed upon the 6th inst., with reference to the report submitted by Chief of Department on that date, concerning the management of the fire at Nos. 465-7 Washington street on the 5th ult. Chief of Department Bonner and Deputy Chief Purroy were also present.

After due consideration of the matter in executive session, it was determined that the President submit at the next meeting a resolution expressive of the opinion of the Board upon the subject.

The President submitted report and suggestions as to laying pipes from the river front for the use of fire-boats in pumping water through them to the interior of the city, with recommendation that Chief of Department Bonner and a hydraulic engineer of standing be directed to visit the cities of Milwaukee, Cleveland and Boston for the purpose of investigating the laying of such pipes. Which was approved.

COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED.

were disposed of as follows:

Expenditures Authorized.

Rebinding 100 copies of "Annual Report," \$150; steam-fitting at quarters Hook and Ladder 3, \$15.

Referred.

Request of the Law Department for information relative to claim of Thomas B. Hynes for services. To the Superintendent of Telegraph for statement of facts.

Request of Tannenbaum, Son & Co. for information as to the value of stand pipes for extinguishing fires. To the Chief of Department for report and opinion.

Statement of James J. Hughes, in regard to deductions from amount of his contract for work at quarters Hook and Ladder 21. To the Building Superintendent for a statement of facts.

Filed.

Report of Chief of Department of the necessity of appointing an additional Deputy Chief of Department. Approved.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and is hereby requested to authorize the transfer of seven hundred dollars from the appropriation for "Apparatus, supplies, etc.," for the current year, for which the same will not be needed, to the appropriation for "Salaries, Chief of Department and assistants' pay-roll," for the current year, for which the same is required, in order to provide for the salary of an additional Deputy Chief of Department for the remainder of the current year.

Commissioner LaGrange offered preambles and resolution relative to the preparation of rules for the Department and moved the adoption of the same, which was lost by the following vote:

Aye—Commissioner LaGrange; No—Commissioner Sturgis. The President not voting.
Committee on Telegraph, etc., submitted approved recommendation of Building Superintendent for transfer to the appropriation for new buildings bond issue, which was approved, with directions to make application for transfer.

Adjourned.

CARL JUSSEN, Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, NEW YORK, October 13, 1897.

The Board of Commissioners met this day.
Present—President James R. Sheffield, in the chair, and Commissioners O. H. LaGrange and Thomas Sturgis.

OPENING OF PROPOSALS FOR NEW BUILDING ON OGDEN AVENUE, NORTH OF DEVOE STREET, AND FOR ALTERING ONE HUNDRED FIRE-ALARM BOXES.

Affidavit of Supervisor of City Record as to due publication of advertisements was read and filed and forms of contracts approved by the Counsel to the Corporation submitted.

For new building on Ogden avenue, north of Devoe street—No. 1, N. F. Cusack, \$18,659; No. 2, Jennings & Welstead, \$18,000; No. 3, Christopher Nally Company, \$19,450; No. 4, Thomas Dwyer, \$20,925; No. 5, Ryan & McFerran, \$17,500; No. 6, John Fury, \$19,740.

The proposal of Ryan & McFerran, being the lowest, was referred to the Comptroller for action on the sureties. The other proposals were filed.

For making alterations to 100 fire-alarm boxes—No. 1, Frederick Pearce, \$2,525.

Which was referred to the Comptroller for action on sureties.

The President submitted an informal proposal received by mail from the Western Electric Company, stating that they would alter and repair 100 fire-alarm boxes for the sum of \$2,825, which was filed.

Adjourned.

CARL JUSSEN, Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, NEW YORK, October 14, 1897.

The Board of Commissioners met this day.
Present—President James R. Sheffield, in the chair, and Commissioners O. H. LaGrange and Thomas Sturgis.

The minutes of meeting held on the 6th instant were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

were disposed of as follows:

Expenditures Authorized.

Taking down and storing awnings, \$25; one rotary neostyle, \$50; three horses, \$612; cleaning cesspool, quarters Engine 48, \$10; steam-heating, quarters Engine 45, \$39; Hook and Ladder 14, \$42; Engine 56, \$44; Engine 17, \$130; Hook and Ladder 20, \$495; incandescent gas-lamps at various company quarters, \$119.75.

Referred.

Report of breaking of signal-post, corner New street and Exchange place. To the Attorney to commence proceedings for the collection of damages.

Approved communication from New York Board of Fire Underwriters, relative to the adoption of the national electric code. To the Superintendent of Telegraph.

Complaint of Charles Waninger, of cleaning apparatus in front of No. 229 East One Hundred and Nineteenth street, returned by Chief of Department, with recommendation that the company be furnished with Hathaway hose-washers. To the Purchasing Agent to make requisition.

Reports of violation of law—chimney fires and open hoistways. To the Inspector of Combustibles to collect penalties.

Application of John F. Walsh, Jr., for permit to build fire in street, returned by Attorney, with opinion inclosed. To Inspector of Combustibles to comply.

Filed.

Report of Superintendent of Telegraph of tampering with box-circuit 50, by some unknown person. Application of "Staats Zeitung," for special fire-signal wire to place in editorial room; approved. Application of New York Telephone Company to attach wires to Department poles on One Hundred and Tenth street and on East One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street; approved. Request of Tannenbaum, Son & Co. for information as to the value of stand-pipes, returned by

Chief of Department, with report. Request of John D. Roe for information as to the Monarch Fire Extinguishers, with report. Report of loss of coat-badge No. 374 by Thomas J. Tobin; fine imposed. Report of death of Fireman Thomas Larkins, relieved from active service at fires. Application of Major N. B. Thurston for telegraph connection, returned by Superintendent of Telegraph, recommended; approved. Relative to the price for salt bricks and holders and report thereon. Resolution of Board of Estimate and Apportionment in approving purchase of premises No. 119 Maiden lane. Resolution of same, authorizing transfer of appropriation. Statement of condition of appropriation. Receipts for security deposits. Communication acknowledging receipt of copies of rules for the installation of electric appliances, etc.

The action of the President in the following matters was approved: Awarding contract to Thomas B. Leahy, for alterations to house of Engine 30, at \$3,393. Granting extension of time to United States Police and Fire Alarm Telegraph Company, contractors for furnishing fire-alarm boxes, on their contract. Complying with request of Law Department for information relative to proposed new sites on West Thirty-third street and on Thames street.

Laid Over.

Specifications for underground telegraph, submitted by Superintendent of Telegraph.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Resolved, That in the pending rating for promotion an allowance of two-fifths of the total rating for fitness be given for a perfect paper on written examinations; that the rating be commenced to-morrow, the 15th instant, at 10.30 A. M., by the three Commissioners, in the presence of the Secretary and the Chief of Department, the Secretary to take up the papers in order and read the answers, the Commissioners each to rate each question and strike an average by dividing the total ratings by the number of questions, the sum of these averages divided by three, to be the rating.

Ordered that application be made to the Civil Service Commission for the examination of candidates for promotion to the position of Deputy Chief of Department.

BILLS AND PAY-ROLLS AUDITED.

Schedule 158 of 1896—total, \$1,028; Schedule 88 of 1897—total, \$1,797.82; Schedule 89 of 1897—total, \$616.50.

On recommendation of H. De B. Parsons, Supervising Engineer, a further extension of time of four weeks was granted Heipershausen Bros. on their contract for new boilers for fire-boat "Zophar Mills."

Adjourned.

CARL JUSSEN, Secretary.

BOARD OF ARMORY COMMISSIONERS.

OCTOBER 18, 1897.

A meeting of the Armory Board was held this day, at 10.30 o'clock A. M., in the office of the Mayor.

Present—The Mayor, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, the Commissioner of Public Works and Colonel Seward.

The minutes of the meeting held August 25 were read and approved.

Mr. Marsh, representing the Comptroller, appeared and, in response to the advertisement in the CITY RECORD, dated October 4, 1897, the following bids were received for materials and work in furnishing an alteration and improvement to the rifle range for the Twenty-second Regiment Armory Building, on the easterly side of Columbus avenue, extending from Sixty-seventh to Sixty-eighth street.

P. J. Ryan, No. 307 W. 44th st.	\$6,789 00	W. G. Triest, No. 39 Cortlandt st. ...	\$5,084 00
Ryan & McFerran, No. 106 E. 23d st. .	5,737 00	Kelly & Kelly, St. Paul Building. . .	5,390 00
George J. Harlow, No. 160 W. 99th st. .	5,993 00	J. D. Murphy, No. 1181 Broadway. . .	6,498 00
Werner & Haas, No. 215 E. 64th st. .	5,400 00	Ryan & Bowler, No. 321 E. 61st st. .	4,700 00

The bid of Ryan & Bowler being informal, the Commissioner of Public Works offered the following:

Resolved, That the proposal of W. G. Triest, No. 39 Cortlandt street, for furnishing materials and work for an alteration and improvement to the rifle range for the Twenty-second Regiment Armory Building, on Columbus avenue, extending from Sixty-seventh to Sixty-eighth street, amounting to five thousand and eighty-four dollars, be accepted, as being the lowest formal bid for said work, and that the same be submitted to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund for their concurrence and to the Comptroller for his approval of the sureties thereon, and when so approved, the Chairman of this Board be authorized to execute the contract on behalf of this Board.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Ayes—The Mayor, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, the Commissioner of Public Works and Colonel Seward.

The Commissioner of Public Works presented the bills of the East River Gas Company, \$352.25, and the Equitable Gas-light Company, \$371, amounting to \$723.25, for lighting armories from July 27 to August 24, and offered the following:

Resolved, That the Armory Board does hereby approve and audit the same for payment, in accordance with chapter 853 of the Laws of 1896.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Ayes—The Mayor, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, the Commissioner of Public Works and Colonel Seward.

He presented, also, the following bills:

East River Gas Company, \$399.38; The Equitable Gas-light Company, \$472.25; The Edison Electric Illuminating Company, \$126.54; The United Electric Light and Power Company, \$254.21—amounting to \$1,252.38 for lighting armories from August 24 to September 23, and offered the following:

Resolved, That the Armory Board does hereby approve and audit the same for payment, in accordance with chapter 853 of the Laws of 1896.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Ayes—The Mayor, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, the Commissioner of Public Works and Colonel Seward.

The Commissioner of Public Works presented the following bills for repairs to armories:

Ambrose O. Neal, boiler tubes, Twenty-second Regiment, \$92; Ambrose O. Neal, grate bars, etc., First Naval Battalion, \$76; Ambrose O. Neal, lathe, Ninth Regiment, \$455; Ambrose O. Neal, tank, etc., First Naval Battalion, \$321; Ambrose O. Neal, steam-fitting, etc., Twenty-second Regiment, \$305.90; Ambrose O. Neal, steam-fitting, Twelfth Regiment, \$303.46; James Cantwell, roofing, Seventy-first Regiment, \$391; Henry Fey, mason works, etc., Eighth Regiment, \$125; Frederick Pearce, electrical work, Second Battery, \$173.50; C. Goldman, glazing, Second Battery, \$12.96; C. Goldman, glazing, Twenty-second Regiment, \$6.20; C. Goldman, glazing, Sixty-ninth Regiment, \$64.40; J. Harper, carpentering, Twelfth Regiment, \$575; J. Harper, carpentering, Eighth Regiment, \$270; J. Harper, carpentering, Ninth Regiment, \$280; B. Schwab, plumbing, etc., Second Battery, \$145; B. Schwab, plumbing, etc., First Signal Corps, \$95; B. Schwab, plumbing, etc., Twenty-second Regiment, \$235; B. Schwab, plumbing, etc., Seventy-first Regiment, \$235; B. Schwab, plumbing, etc., Twenty-second Regiment, \$102.19; B. Schwab, plumbing, etc., Twenty-second Regiment, \$109.53; B. Schwab, plumbing, etc., Twenty-second Regiment, \$41.93; B. Schwab, plumbing, etc., Eighth Regiment, \$223.24; B. Schwab, plumbing, etc., Seventy-first Regiment, \$17.90—amounting to four thousand six hundred and fifty-six dollars and twenty-one cents (\$4,656.21).

And also the following bills for supplies to armories:

Samuel Lewis, general supplies, Eighth Regiment, \$75.30; Samuel Lewis, general supplies, Ninth Regiment, \$34.70; Samuel Lewis, general supplies, Twelfth Regiment, \$49.60; Samuel Lewis, general supplies, Twenty-second Regiment, \$23.70; Samuel Lewis, general supplies, Seventy-first Regiment, \$30.80; Samuel Lewis, general supplies, Squad "A," \$9; Samuel Lewis, general supplies, First Battery, \$5.40; Samuel Lewis, general supplies, Second Battery, \$25.40; Samuel Lewis, general supplies, First Naval Battalion, \$184.35; Samuel Lewis, general supplies, Eighth Regiment, \$50.05; Samuel Lewis, general supplies, Ninth Regiment, \$106.65; Samuel Lewis, general supplies, Twelfth Regiment, \$27.10; Samuel Lewis, general supplies, Twenty-second Regiment, \$50.95; Samuel Lewis, general supplies, Sixty-ninth Regiment, \$0.75; Samuel Lewis, general supplies, Squad "A," \$47; Samuel Lewis, general supplies, First Brigade, \$4.06; Samuel Lewis, general supplies, First Battery, \$46.80; Samuel Lewis, general supplies, First Signal Corps, \$12.18; Samuel Lewis, general supplies, Second Battery, \$17.65; Clark & Wilkins, kindling wood, Seventy-first Regiment, \$8; New York Belting and Packing Company, rubber hose, Squad "A," \$84; Robert C. Ogden, roll-top desks, Eighth Regiment, \$281.25; Robert C. Ogden, roll-top desks, Twelfth Regiment, \$243.75; Robert C. Ogden, roll-top desk, Twenty-second Regiment, \$18.75; Robert C. Ogden, roll-top desks, Sixty-ninth Regiment, \$75; Robert C. Ogden, roll-top desks, Squad "A," \$56.25; Robert C. Ogden, roll-top desk, First Signal Corps, \$18.75; Robert C. Ogden, revolving desk chairs, Eighth Regiment, \$127.50; Robert C. Ogden, revolving desk chair, Twenty-second Regiment, \$8.50; Robert C. Ogden, revolving desk chairs, Sixty-ninth Regiment, \$102; Robert C. Ogden, revolving desk chairs, Squad "A," \$25.50; Robert C. Ogden, camp chairs, Twelfth Regiment, \$128.33; Robert C. Ogden, camp chairs, Twenty-second Regiment, \$192.50—amounting to two thousand one hundred and seventy-one dollars and fifty-two cents (\$2,171.52).

And offered the following:

Resolved, That the Armory Board does hereby approve and audit the same for payment, in accordance with chapter 853 of the Laws of 1896.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Ayes—The Mayor, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, the Commissioner of Public Works and Colonel Seward.

A communication was received from Brigadier General Fitzgerald reporting on the application of Colonel Seward, requesting a change in the date on the corner-stone of the Ninth Regiment Armory, from "1845" to "1800," and submitting a report from Major Van Duzer giving a history of the regiment, and approving the change as asked for.

The President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments offered the following:

Resolved, That the change of date on the corner stone of the Ninth Regiment Armory Building, from "1845" to "1800" be authorized, the work to be done under the supervision of the Assistant Clerk of the Works.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Ayes—The Mayor, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, the Commissioner of Public Works and Colonel Seward.

The President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments presented a certificate for payment from J. F. Buchanan & Co., on account of their contract for wiring and furnishing fixtures, etc., for lighting by electricity the Seventh Regiment Armory, and presented several communications from the engineer in charge of the work, showing that the contractors were dilatory in their work, and stated that the contractors were more than two months behind time in the execution of their contract, and on that account did not feel willing to recommend a further payment at this time.

The engineer in charge of the work was present and stated that satisfactory progress was not being made in the work.

Mr. Buchanan, one of the contractors, was present and claimed that they had been unfortunate in regard to some of the work, and that they would finish the work in about one week.

The application was laid over, and the contractors were advised by the Mayor to prosecute the work with more vigor and finish the same without delay.

A communication was received from the Commissioner of Public Works, in relation to the payment for coal furnished to armories and chargeable to the appropriation "Supplies for Armories" for 1897, and offered the following:

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be authorized to draw vouchers and requisitions on the Comptroller for coal supplied to armories for the current year, against the appropriation made to said Department for furnishing coal for public buildings and offices for the year 1897.

Which was adopted by the following vote—Ayes: The Mayor, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, the Commissioner of Public Works and Colonel Seward.

On motion, adjourned.

E. P. BARKER, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION.

REPORT OF TRANSACTIONS, OCTOBER 11 TO 16, 1897.

Communications Received.

From Penitentiary—List of prisoners received during week ending October 9, 1897: Males, 25; females, 1; on file. List of 53 prisoners to be discharged from October 17 to 23, 1897; transmitted to Prison Association.

From City Prison—Amount of fines received during week ending October 9, 1897, \$52. On file.

From Heads of Institutions—Reporting meats, milk, fish, etc., received during week ending October 9, 1897, of good quality and up to the standard. On file.

Weekly reports—Census, labor, punishments. On file.

From District Prisons—Amount of fines received during week ending October 9, 1897, \$506. On file.

From the Comptroller—Statement of unexpended balances up to October 9, 1897. Referred to Bookkeeper.

From United States Light-house Inspector—Asking permission to move the post light on Riker's Island to a foundation to be erected about 128 feet east of its present location. Granted.

From District Prisons—Warden states that no provision has been made for lighting Ten-day House at New Fifty-third Street Prison, and suggests that three gas brackets be put in. Approved.

From Penitentiary—Reporting the death of Edward Kelly, prisoner. On file.

From Workhouse—Reporting escape of James Boyle and William Lamphy. On file.

Appointed.

Edward McCabe, Clerk, Storehouse; salary, \$150 per annum.

Resigned.

October 15—Thomas Quain, Stable-keeper, Workhouse.

Salary Increased.

Frank Wright, Orderly, Workhouse, \$300 to \$450 per annum; Delia Kennelly, Orderly, Workhouse, \$300 to \$450 per annum.

Transferred.

October 15—Samuel P. Wilson, Guard, District Prisons to Workhouse; salary, reduced from \$900 to \$800 per annum. October 16—Timothy Skelly, Keeper, City Prison to Penitentiary; salary reduced from \$900 to \$800 per annum; Robert McDonald, Keeper, Penitentiary to District Prisons; salary increased from \$800 to \$900 per annum.

ROBERT J. WRIGHT, Commissioner.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, held at their Office, No. 209 Stewart Building, on Wednesday, September 29, 1897, at 3 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Duane, Tucker, Cannon and Green.

The Construction or Executive Committee presented the following communication, received from the Chief Engineer:

NEW YORK, September 28, 1897. To the Honorable the Committee on Construction:

GENTLEMEN—The ball-bearings added to the hoisting-gate machinery at Titicus Dam having successfully improved the working of the hoisting apparatus, I respectfully recommend that the same work be done for the Brewster and Carmel gates, and I also respectfully request to be authorized to give the work to Messrs. Skinner & Connolly, of Yonkers, N. Y., who were originally the lowest bidders for that class of work, and who have done it well.

There are in all for the three dams and for the tunnel at these two places fourteen (14) gates. The price for each will not exceed \$35, delivered on the ground, but I hope to be able to obtain a little lower price for the lot. The work of fitting will be done by our own men.

I consider the above-mentioned arrangement to the advantage of the City.

Yours respectfully, A. FTELEY, Chief Engineer.

—and recommended the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Chief Engineer be and hereby is authorized to have the above-mentioned work done by Skinner & Connolly, of Yonkers, N. Y., as set forth in the above communication; the price not to exceed the sum mentioned therein.

On motion of Commissioner Cannon, the same was adopted.

The Committee also presented the following communication, received from the Chief Engineer:

NEW YORK, September 29, 1897. To the Honorable the Committee on Construction:

GENTLEMEN—I submit herewith a certified copy of the resolution passed by the Park Board on September 27, 1897, in regard to the acceptance of the portion of the Harlem River Driveway which is covered by the operations of the Aqueduct Commissioners near Shaft No. 25.

Yours respectfully, A. FTELEY, Chief Engineer.

"CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, THE ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK.

(Adopted in Board of Parks, September 27, 1897.)

"Resolved, That the portion of the Second Section of the Harlem River Driveway under contract with J. C. Rodgers, covered by the recommendation of the Consulting Engineer, for a length of two hundred feet at about Station 67, which portion is required to be used temporarily by the Aqueduct Commission to facilitate the construction of a retaining-wall and other masonry work in connection with the New Croton Aqueduct near Shaft No. 25, be and the same is hereby accepted as completed.

"A true copy.

"WILLIAM LEARY, Secretary."

On motion of Commissioner Cannon, the same was ordered spread in full upon the minutes and filed.

The Committee recommended the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the accompanying bill for taxes for the year 1897, due School District No. 6, of the Town of Kent, Putnam County, N. Y., amounting to forty-six dollars and sixty cents (\$46.60), is hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment.

On motion of Commissioner Tucker, the same was adopted.

The Committee presented a communication received from the Secretary, reporting that the sum of \$1,410.75 had been received from Division Engineer Wegmann, being the amount of rent collected during the month of September, 1897, on buildings on the Croton River Division of the New Aqueduct which are owned by the City of New York and under the control of the Aqueduct Commissioners; and stating that said amount had been duly transmitted to the City Chamberlain, for the credit of the "Additional Water Fund," and that his receipt therefor was on file.

On motion of Commissioner Cannon, the action of the Secretary was approved and the report ordered filed.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported their examination and audit of bills contained in Vouchers Nos. 11881 and 11882, amounting to \$68.28.

On motion of Commissioner Tucker, the same were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment.

The Secretary gave notice of the filing of a lien by Stephens & O'Rourke against Clark & Co., Contractors, for excavating a tunnel and constructing a masonry drain at Jerome Park Reservoir, and J. B. McDonald, assignee of said Clark & Co., amounting to \$380.

Which was ordered filed.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

EDWARD L. ALLEN, Secretary.

NOTE.—On Wednesday, October 6, 1897, no quorum being present, the meeting stood adjourned.

EDWARD L. ALLEN, Secretary.

ALDERMANIC COMMITTEES.

RAILROADS—The Railroad Committee will hold a meeting on every Monday, at 2 o'clock P. M., in Room 13, City Hall.

WM. H. TEN EYCK, Clerk, Common Council.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

Section 68 of chapter 410, Laws of 1882 (the Consolidation Act of the City of New York), provides that "there shall be published in the CITY RECORD, within the month of January in each year, a list of all subordinates employed in any department except laborers, with their salaries, and residences by street numbers, and all changes in such subordinates or salaries shall be so published within one week after they are made. It shall be the duty of all the heads of departments to furnish to the person appointed to supervise the publication of the CITY RECORD everything required to be inserted therein."

JOHN A. SLEICHER, Supervisor City Record
STATEMENT OF THE HOURS DURING which the Public Offices in the City are open for business, and at which the Courts regularly open and adjourn, as well as of the places where such offices are kept and such Courts are held; together with the heads of Departments and Courts:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Mayor's Office.

No. 6 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

WILLIAM L. STRONG, Mayor.

Bureau of Licenses.

No. 1 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

EDWARD H. HEALY, Marshal.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSIONERS.

Room 209, Stewart Building, 5th floor, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JAMES C. DUANE, President; JOHN J. TUCKER; H. W. CANNON, GEORGE WALTON GREEN, and THE MAYOR, COMPTROLLER and COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS, *ex officio*; Commissioners; EDWARD L. ALLEN, Secretary, A. FTELEY, Chief Engineer.

BOARD OF ARMY COMMISSIONERS.

THE MAYOR, Chairman; PRESIDENT OF DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, Secretary.
Address: EDWARD P. BARKER, Stewart Building. Office hours, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS.

Rooms 114 and 115, Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
SETH SPRAGUE TERRY and RODNEY S. DENNIS.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Office of Clerk of Common Council.

No. 8 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

JOHN JEROME, President Board of Aldermen.

WILLIAM H. TEN EYCK, Clerk Common Council.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

No. 150 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner; HOWARD PAYSON WILDS, Deputy Commissioner (17th Floor).
HENRY DIMSE, Chief Clerk (17th Floor).
GEORGE W. BIRKALL, Chief Engineer (17th Floor); COLUMBUS O. JOHNSON, Water Register (1st Floor); HORACE LOOMIS, Engineer in Charge of Sewers (17th Floor); JOHN C. GRAHAM, Superintendent of Repairs and supplies (17th Floor); CHARLES W. BARNEY, Water Purveyor Basement; STEPHEN MCCORMICK, Superintendent of Lamps and Gas (22d Floor); WILLIAM HENKEL, Superintendent of Incumbrances (Basement); EDWARD P. NORTH, Consulting Engineer and in charge of Street Improvements (17th Floor).

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

No. 220 Fourth avenue, corner of Eighteenth street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

STEVENSON CONSTABLE, Superintendent.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH WARDS.
Corner One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street and Third avenue. Office hours, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 12 M.

LOUIS F. HAFEN, Commissioner; JACOB SEAROLD, Deputy Commissioner; JOSEPH P. HENNESSY, Secretary.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

Comptroller's Office.

No. 15 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller; WILLIAM J. LYON, Deputy Comptroller; EDGAR J. LEVY, Assistant Deputy Comptroller.

Auditing Bureau.

Nos. 19, 21 and 23 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

JOHN F. GOULDSBURY, First Auditor.

FRED'K L. W. SCHAFFNER, Second Auditor.

FRED'K J. BRETTMAN, Third Auditor.

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

Nos. 31, 33, 35, 37 and 39 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

EDWARD GILON, Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears.

No money received after 2 P. M.
Bureau for the Collection of City Revenue and of Markets.

Nos. 1 and 3 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

DAVID O'BRIEN, Collector of the City Revenue and Superintendent of Markets.

No money received after 2 P. M.
Bureau for the Collection of Taxes.

No. 57 Chambers street and No. 35 Reade street, Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

DAVID E. AUSTEN, Receiver of Taxes; JOHN J. McDONOUGH, Deputy Receiver of Taxes.

No money received after 2 P. M.
Bureau of the City Chamberlain.

Nos. 25 and 27 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

ANSON G. MCCOOK, City Chamberlain.

Office of the City Paymaster.

No. 33 Reade street, Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

JOHN H. TIMMERMAN, City Paymaster.

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR.

No. 119 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

WILLIAM M. HOES, Public Administrator.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Office of the Counsel to the Corporation.
Staats-Zeitung Building, 3d and 4th floors, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation.

ANDREW I. CAMPBELL, Chief Clerk.

Office of the Corporation Attorney.

No. 119 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

GEORGE W. LYON, Corporation Attorney.

Office of Attorney for Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes.

Stewart Building, Broadway and Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

ROBERT GRIER MONROE, Attorney.

MICHAEL J. DOUGHERTY, Clerk.

Bureau of Street Openings.

Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway.

JOHN P. DUNN and HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Assistants to the Counsel to the Corporation.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Central Office.

No. 300 Mulberry street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

FRANK MOSS, President; AVERY D. ANDREWS,

GEORGE MOORE SMITH and ANDREW D. PARKER, Commissioners; WILLIAM H. KIPP, Chief Clerk; T. F. RODENBOUGH, Chief of Bureau of Elections.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

No. 146 Grand street, corner of Elm street.
ROBERT MACLAY, President; ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF CHARITIES.

Central Office.

No. 66 Third avenue, corner Eleventh street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

STEPHEN SMITH, M. D., President; JOHN P. FAURE and JAMES R. O'BRIEN, Commissioners; H. G. WEAVER, Secretary.

Purchasing Agent, GEO. W. WANMAKER; W. A. PRICE, General Bookkeeper and Auditor. Office hours, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 12 M.

Plans and Specifications, Contracts, Proposals and Estimates for Work and Materials for Building, Repairs and Supplies, Bills and Accounts, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 12 M.

Out-door Poor Department. Office hours, 8.30 A. M. to 4.30 P. M. WILLIAM BLAKE, Superintendent. Entrance on Eleventh street.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION.

Central Office.

No. 148 East Twentieth street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

ROBERT J. WRIGHT, Commissioner; ARTHUR PHILLIPS, Secretary; CHARLES BENN, General Bookkeeper and Auditor.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Office hours for all, except where otherwise noted, from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 12 M.

Headquarters.

Nos. 157 and 159 East Sixty-seventh street.

JAMES R. SHEFFIELD, President; O. H. LA GRANGE and THOMAS STURGIS, Commissioners; CARL JUSSEN, Secretary.

HUGH BONNER, Chief of Department. GEO. E. MURRAY, Inspector of Combustibles; JAMES MITCHELL, Fire Marshal; WM. L. FINDLEY, Attorney to Department; J. ELLIOT SMITH, Superintendent of Fire Alarm Telegraph.

Central Office open at all hours.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

New Criminal Court Building, Centre street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

CHARLES G. WILSON, President, and GEORGE B. FOWLER, M. D., the PRESIDENT OF THE POLICE BOARD, *ex officio*, and the HEALTH OFFICER OF THE PORT, *ex officio*, Commissioners; EDMONDS CLARK, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

Arsenal Building, Central Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 12 M.

SAMUEL McMILLAN, President; S. V. R. CRUGER, SMITH ELY and EDWARD MITCHELL, Commissioners; WILLIAM LEARY, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

Battery, Pier A, North river.

EDWARD C. O'BRIEN, President; EDWIN EINSTEIN and JOHN MONKS, Commissioners; GEORGE S. TERRY, Secretary.

Office hours, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 12 M.

EDWARD P. BARKER, President; JAMES L. WELLS and THEO. SUTRO, Commissioners; C. ROCKLAND TYNG, Secretary.

BOARD OF ELECTRICAL CONTROL.

No. 1262 Broadway.

HENRY S. KEARNEY, JACOB HESS, and THOMAS L. HAMILTON, and THE MAYOR, *ex officio*, Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING.

No. 32 Chambers street. Office hours, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

GEORGE E. WARING, Jr., Commissioner; F. H. GIBSON, Deputy Commissioner; THOS. A. DOE, Chief Clerk.

CIVIL SERVICE SUPERVISORY AND EXAMINING BOARDS.

Criminal Court Building, Centre street, between Franklin and White streets, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

EVERETT P. WHEELER, WILLIAM JAY SCHIEFFELIN, W. BAYARD CUTTING, C. W. WATSON and J. VAN VECHTEN OLCOTT, Members of the Supervisory Board; FREDERICK G. IRELAND, Chief Examiner; S. WILLIAM BRISCOE, Secretary.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPROPRIATION.

The Mayor, Chairman; E. P. BARKER (President, Department of Taxes and Assessments), Secretary; the COMPTROLLER, PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN, and the COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, Members; CHARLES V. ADDE, Clerk.

Office of Clerk, Department of Taxes and Assessments, Stewart Building.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS.

Office, 27 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

THOMAS J. RUSH, Chairman; P. M. HAVERTY, JOHN W. JACOBUS, EDWARD MCCUE, Assessors; WM. H. JASPER, Secretary.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

Old "Brown Stone Building," No. 32 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN, Sheriff; HENRY H. SHERMAN, Under Sheriff.

REGISTER'S OFFICE.

CORONERS' OFFICE.

New Criminal Court Building, Centre street, open constantly.

EDWARD T. FITZPATRICK, WILLIAM H. DORRIS, EMIL W. HOBBER and THEODORE K. TUTTILL, Coroners; EDWARD F. REYNOLDS, Clerk of the Board of Coroners.

SURROGATES' COURT.

New County Court-house, Court opens at 10.30 A. M.; adjourns 4 P. M.

FRANK T. FITZGERALD and JOHN H. V. ARNOLD, Surrogates; WILLIAM V. LEARY, Chief Clerk.

APPELLATE DIVISION, SUPREME COURT.

Court-house, No. 111 Fifth avenue, corner Eighteenth street. Court opens at 1 P. M.

CHARLES H. VAN BRUNT, Presiding Justice; GEORGE C. BARRETT, PARDON C. WILLIAMS, EDWARD PATTERSON, MORGAN J. O'BRIEN, GEORGE L. INGRAHAM, WILLIAM RUMSEY, JUSTICES. ALFRED WAGSTAFF, Clerk; WM. LAMB, JR., Deputy Clerk.

SUPREME COURT.

County Court-house, 30 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Special Term, Part I., Room No. 12.

Special Term, Part II., Room No. 15.

Special Term, Part III., Room No. 19.

Special Term, Part IV., Room No. 23.

Special Term, Part V., Room No. 21.

Special Term, Part VI., Room No. 25.

Special Term, Part VII., Room No. 34.

Special Term, Part VIII., Room No. 16.

Special Term, Part IX., Room No. 17.

Special Term, Part X., Room No. 18.

Special Term, Part XI., Room No. 32.

Special Term, Part XII., Room No. 31.

Special Term, Part XIII., Room No. 30.

Special Term, Part XIV., Room No. 24.

Special Term, Part XV., Room No. 23.

Special Term, Part XVI., Room No. 22.

Naturalization Bureau, Room No. 26.

Justices—ABRAHAM E. LAWRENCE, GEORGE P. ANDREWS, CHARLES H. TRAX, CHARLES F. MACLEAN, FREDERICK SMYTH, JOSEPH F. DALY, MILES BEACH, ROGER PRYOR, LEONARD A. GEIGERICH, HENRY W. BOOKSTAVEN, HENRY HIRSCHOFF, JR., JOHN J. FRIEDMAN, JOHN SEDGWICK, P. HENRY DUGRO, DAVID M. ADAM, HENRY R. BEEKMAN, HENRY A. GILDERSLEEVE, HENRY D. PURROY, Clerk.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

New Criminal Court Building, Centre street. Court opens at 11 o'clock A. M.; adjourns 4 P. M.

JOHN W. GOFF, Recorder; JAMES FITZGERALD, RUFUS B. COWING, JOSEPH E. NEWBURGER and MARTIN T. McMAHON, Judges.

JOHN F. CARROLL, Clerk's Office, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

CITY COURT.

City Hall.

General Term, Room No. 20.

Part I., Room No. 21.

Part II., Room No. 15.

Part III., Room No. 11.

Special Term Chambers will be held in Room No. 19, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Clerk's Office, Room No. 10, City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

ROBERT A. VAN WYCK, Chief Justice; JAMES M. FITZSIMONS, JOHN H. MCCARTHY, LEWIS J. CONLAN, EDWARD F. O'DWYER and JOHN P. SCHUCHMAN, Justices; JOHN B. MCGOLDRICK, Clerk.

CRIMINAL DIVISION, SUPREME COURT.

New Criminal Court Building, Centre street. Court opens at 10 1/2 o'clock A. M.

JOHN F. CARROLL, Clerk; 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS.

New Criminal Court Building, Centre street, between Franklin and White streets, daily, from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturday, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

Judges—ELIZUR B. HINSDALE, WILLIAM TRAVERS, JEROME, EPHRAIM A. JACOB, JOHN HAYES, WILLIAM C. HOLBROOK.

DISTRICT CIVIL COURTS.

First District—Third, Fifth and Eighth Wards, and all that part of the First Ward lying west of Broadway and Whitehall street. Court-room, No. 32 Chambers street.

WACHOPE LYNN, Justice. MICHAEL C. MURPHY, Clerk. Clerk's Office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Second District—Second, Fourth, Sixth and Fourteenth Wards, and all that portion of the First Ward lying south and east of Broadway and Whitehall street. Court-room, corner of Grand and Centre streets.

HERMANN BOLTE, Justice. FRANCIS MANGIN, Clerk. Clerk's Office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Third District—Ninth and Fifteenth Wards. Court-room, southwest corner Sixth avenue and West Tenth street. Court open daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted) from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

WM. F. MOORE, Justice. DANIEL WILLIAMS, Clerk. Fourth District—Tenth and Seventeenth Wards. Court-room, No. 30 First street, corner Second avenue. Court opens 9 A. M. daily, and remains open to close of business.

GEORGE F. ROESCH, Justice. JOHN E. LYNCH, Clerk. Fifth District—Seventh, Eleventh and Thirteenth Wards. Court-room, No. 154 Clinton street.

HENRY M. GOLDFELD, Justice. JEREMIAH HAYES, Clerk.

Sixth District—Eighteenth and Twenty-first Wards. Court-room, northwest corner Twenty-third street and Second avenue. Court opens 9 A. M. daily, and continues open to close of business.

DANIEL F. MARTIN, Justice. ABRAHAM BERNARD, Clerk. Seventh District—Nineteenth Ward. Court-room, No. 151 East Fifty-seventh street. Court opens every morning at 9 o'clock (except Sundays and legal holidays), and continues open to close of business.

JOHN B. MCKEAN, Justice. PATRICK McDAVITT, Clerk.

Eighth District—Sixteenth and Twentieth Wards. Court-room, northwest corner of Twenty-third street and Eighth avenue. Court opens at 9 A. M. and continues open to close of business.

Clerk's office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. each Court day.

Trial days, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Return days, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

JOSEPH H. STINER, Justice. THOMAS COSTIGAN, Clerk.

Ninth District—Twelfth Ward, except all that portion of the said ward which is bounded on the north by the centre line of One Hundred and Tenth street, on the south by the centre line of Eighty-sixth street, on the east by the centre line of Sixth avenue, and on the west by the North river. Court-room, No. 170 East One Hundred and Twenty-first street, southeast corner of Sylvan place. Court opens every morning at 9 o'clock except Sundays and legal holidays, and continues open to close of business.

JOSEPH P. FALLON, Justice. WILLIAM J. KENNEDY, Clerk.

Clerk's office open daily from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Tenth District—Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards. Court-room, corner of Third avenue and One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street.

Office hours from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Court opens at 9 A. M.

WILLIAM G. MCCREA, Justice. WM. H. GERMAINE, Clerk.

Eleventh District—Twenty-second Ward, and all that portion of the Twelfth Ward which is bounded on the north by the centre line of One Hundred and Tenth street, on the south by the centre line of Eighth street, on the east by the centre line of Sixth avenue, and on the west by the North river. Court-room, No. 919 Eighth avenue. Court opens daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted) from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

JAMES A. O'GORMAN, Justice. JAMES J. GALLIGAN, Clerk.

Twelfth District—All that part of the Twenty-fourth Ward which was lately annexed to the City and County of New York by chapter 934 of the Laws of 1895, comprising all of the late Town of Westchester and part of the Towns of Eastchester and Pelham, including the Villages of Wakefield and Williamsbridge. Court-room, Town Hall, Main street, Westchester Village. Court opens daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted), from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

RICHARD N. ARNOW, Justice. JOHN N. STEWART, Clerk.

Thirteenth District—Northern part of Twelfth Ward. Court-room, corner of One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street and Columbus avenue. Court opens daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted), from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

JAMES P. DAVENPORT, Justice. ADOLPH N. DUMAHANT, Clerk.

CITY MAGISTRATES' COURTS.

City Magistrates—HENRY A. BRANN, ROBERT C. CORNELL, LEROY B. CRANE, JOSEPH M. DEUEL, CHARLES A. FLANMER, JOE E. HEDGES, HERMAN C. KUDLICH, CLARENCE W. MEAD, JOHN O. MOTT, JOSEPH POOL, CHARLES E. SIMMS, JR., THOMAS F. WENTWORTH, EBER DEMAREST, Secretary.

First District—Criminal Court Building.

Second District—Jefferson Market.

Third District—No. 69 Essex street.

Fourth District—Fifty-seventh street, near Lexington avenue.

Fifth District—One Hundred and Twenty-first street, southeastern corner of Sylvan place.

Sixth District—One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street and Third avenue.

Seventh District—Fifty-fourth street, west of Eighth avenue.

OFFICIAL PAPERS.

MORNING—"NEW YORK PRESS," "NEW York Tribune."

Evening—"Mail and Express," "News."

Weekly—"Leslie's Weekly," "Weekly Union."

German—"Staats Zeitung."

JOHN A. SLEICHER, Supervisor.

DAMAGE COMM—23-24 WARDS.

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 537 of the Laws of 1897, entitled "An act providing for ascertaining and paying the amount of damages to lands and buildings suffered by reason of changes of grade of streets or avenues, made pursuant to chapter 721 of the Laws of 1887, providing for the depression of railroad tracks in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, in the City of New York, of 'otherwise,' and the acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, notice is hereby given that public meetings of the Commissioners appointed pursuant to said acts, will be held at Room 58, Schermerhorn Building, No. 96 Broadway, in the City of New York, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week, at 2 o'clock P. M., until further notice.

Dated New York, October 30, 1897.

DANIEL LORD, JAMES M. VARNUM, GEORGE W. STEPHENS, Commissioners.

LAMONT McLOUGHLIN, Clerk.

STREET CLEANING DEPT.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING—CITY OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK, October 19, 1897.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

AS PROVIDED BY CHAPTER 368 OF THE Laws of 1894, notice is hereby given that I will, on Thursday, the 4th day of November, 1897, at 10.30 A. M., in Stable "A" of this Department, Seventeenth street and Avenue C, in the City of New York, sell at public auction the following personal property of this Department, to wit:

One (1) Dark Chestnut Mare, six (6) years of age, weighing 1,250 pounds, 15 1/2 h. hds high, and bearing as special marks a white star on the forehead (all other points dark).

One (1) Light Gray Gelding, seven (7) years of age, weighing 1,350 pounds, 16 1/2 h. hds high, bearing as special marks a white patch between the nostrils, having a white underlip (all other points light).

N. B.—Both the above horses will be sold as vicious animals.

GEO. E. WARING, JR., Commissioner of Street Cleaning.

PERSONS HAVING BULKHEADS TO FILL, IN THE VICINITY OF NEW YORK BAY, CAN PROCURE MATERIAL FOR THAT PURPOSE—ASHES, STREET SWEEPINGS, ETC., SUCH AS IS COLLECTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING—FREE OF CHARGE, BY APPLYING TO THE COMMISSIONER OF STREET CLEANING, IN THE CRIMINAL COURT BUILDING.

GEORGE E. WARING, JR., Commissioner of Street Cleaning.

CORPORATION NOTICE.

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

List 5324, No. 1. Paving Cinders street, from Grand to South street, with granite blocks and laying crosswalks (so far as the same is within the limits of grants of land under water).

List 5416, No. 2. Regulating, grading, curbing, flagging and laying crosswalks in Bimbridge avenue, from Southern Boulevard to Moshulu Parkway.

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

No. 1. Both sides of Corlears street, from Grand to South street, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 2. Both sides of Bainbridge avenue, from Southern Boulevard to Moshulu Parkway, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections, in writing, to the Chairman of the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 27 Chambers street, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

The above-described lists will be transmitted, as provided by law, to the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments for confirmation on the 29th day of November, 1897.

THOMAS J. RUSH, Chairman; PATRICK M. HAVERTY, JOHN W. JACOBUS, EDWARD McCUE, Board of Assessors.

New York, October 27, 1897.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

TO CONTRACTORS. (No. 618.)

PROPOSALS FOR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING AND DELIVERING ABOUT 700 TONS OF ANTHRACITE COAL.

ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING AND DELIVERING about 700 tons of Anthracite Coal will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head of the Department of Docks, at the office of said Department, on Pier "A," foot of Battery place, North river, in the City of New York, until 11.30 o'clock A. M. of

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at which time and place the estimates will be publicly opened by the head of said Department. The award of the contract, if awarded, will be made as soon as practicable after the opening of the bids.

Any person making an estimate for the work shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope to said Board, at said office, on or before the day and hour above named,

which envelope shall be indorsed with the name or names of the person or persons presenting the same, the date of its presentation, and a statement of the work to which it relates.

The bidder to whom the award is made shall give security for the faithful performance of the contract, in the manner prescribed and required by ordinance, in the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred Dollars.

The Engineer's estimate of the quantity of coal to be furnished and delivered is about 700 tons.

It is expected that about 600 tons will be required to be delivered at the West Fifty-seventh Street Yard of the Department of Docks, and that about 100 tons will be required to be delivered at the East Twenty-fourth Street Yard.

Where the City of New York owns the wharf, pier or bulkhead at which materials under this contract are to be delivered, no charge will be made to the contractor for wharfage upon vessels conveying said materials.

N. B.—Bidders are required to submit their estimates upon the following express conditions, which shall apply to and become a part of every estimate received:

1st. Bidders must satisfy themselves, by personal examination of the location of the proposed delivery of materials, and by such other means as they may prefer, as to the accuracy of the foregoing Engineer's estimate, and shall not, at any time after the submission of an estimate, dispute or complain of the above statement of quantities, nor assert that there was any misunderstanding in regard to the nature or amount of the work to be done.

2d. Bidders will be required to complete the entire work to the satisfaction of the Department of Docks, and in substantial accordance with the specifications of the contract. No extra compensation, beyond the amount payable for the work before mentioned, which shall be actually performed at the price therefor, per ton, to be specified by the lowest bidder, shall be due or payable for the entire work.

A ton of coal under these specifications shall be 2,240 pounds avoirdupois.

The work to be done under this contract is to be commenced within ten days from the date of the receipt of an order from the Engineer to begin the delivery of coal, and the delivery will be continued in lots of about 230 tons at such times and places and in such manner as may be directed by the Engineer, and the delivery of said coal will be fully completed on or before the 1st day of March, 1898, and the damages to be paid by the contractor for each day that the contract may be unfulfilled after the time fixed for the fulfillment thereof has expired, are, by a clause in the contract, fixed and liquidated at Fifty Dollars per day.

Bidders will state in their estimates a price, per ton, for furnishing and delivering coal, in conformity with the approved form of agreement and the specifications therein set forth, by which price the bids will be tested. This price is to cover all expenses of every kind involved in or incidental to the fulfillment of the contract, including any claim that may arise through delay, from any cause, in the performing of the work thereunder.

Bidders will distinctly write out, both in words and in figures, the amount of their estimate for doing this work.

The person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to attend at this office with the sureties offered by him or them, and execute the contract within five days from the date of the service of a notice to that effect, and in case of failure or neglect so to do, he or they will be considered as having abandoned it and as in default to the Corporation, and the contract will be re-advertised and relet, and so on until it be accepted and executed.

Bidders are required to state in their estimate their names and places of residence, the names of all persons interested with them therein, and if no other person be so interested the estimate shall distinctly state the fact; also, that the estimate is made without any consultation, connection or agreement with, and the amount thereof has not been disclosed to, any other person or persons making an estimate for the same purpose, and is not higher than the lowest regular market price for the same kind of labor or material, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; that no combination or pool exists of which the bidder is a member or in which he is directly or indirectly interested, or of which he has knowledge, either personal or otherwise, to bid a certain price, or not less than a certain price, for said labor or material, or to keep others from bidding thereon; and also that no member of the Common Council, Head of a Department, Chief of a Bureau, Deputy thereof, or Clerk therein, or any other officer or employee of the Corporation of the City of New York or any of its Departments, is directly or indirectly interested in this estimate, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof, and has not been given, offered or promised, either directly or indirectly, any pecuniary or other consideration by the bidder or anyone in his behalf with a view to influencing his action or judgment in this or any other transaction heretofore had with this Department, which estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party making the estimate that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed to by all the parties interested.

Each estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person or persons making the estimate, they will, upon its being so awarded, become bound as his or their sureties for its faithful performance, and that if said person or persons shall omit or refuse to execute the contract, they will pay to the Corporation the sum to which said person or persons would be entitled upon its completion and that which said Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work to be done by which the bids are tested.

Where more than one person is interested it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed to by all the parties interested.

No estimate will be received or considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the State or National banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of five per centum of the amount of security required for the faithful performance of the contract. Such check or money must not be included in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall renege or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the specifications will be allowed, unless under the written instructions of the Engineer-in-Chief.

No estimate will be accepted from or contract awarded to any person who is in arrears to the Corporation, upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

THE RIGHT TO DECLINE ALL THE ESTIMATES IS RESERVED IF DEEMED FOR THE INTEREST OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

Bidders are requested in making their bids or estimates to use the blank prepared for that purpose by the Department, a copy of which, together with the form of the agreement, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment for the work, can be obtained upon application therefor at the office of the Department.

EDWARD C. O'BRIEN, EDWIN EINSTEIN, JOHN MONKS, Commissioners of the Department of Docks.

Dated NEW YORK, October 28, 1897.

PROPOSALS FOR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING SAWED SPRUCE TIMBER.

ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING SAWED Spruce Timber will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head of the Department of Docks, at the office of said Department, on Pier "A," foot of Battery place, North river, in the City of New York, until 11.30 o'clock A. M. of

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at which time and place the estimates will be publicly opened by the head of said Department. The award of the contract, if awarded, will be made as soon as practicable after the opening of the bids.

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

The bidder to whom the award is made shall give security for the faithful performance of the contract, in the manner prescribed and required by ordinance, in the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred Dollars.

The Engineer's estimate of the quantities of materials to be furnished is as follows:

SPRUCE PLANK FOR REPAIRS.

Three-inch and 4-inch plank, as ordered, in pieces varying in length from 11 feet to 26 feet 9 inches wide and upward, about 150,000 feet, B. M.

The 3-inch and 4-inch plank called for shall be delivered in lots of not less than 500 feet, board measure, within six hours after receipt of an order that said delivery is to commence.

Where the City of New York owns the wharf, pier or bulkhead at which the materials under this contract are to be delivered, no charge will be made to the contractor for wharfage upon vessels conveying said materials.

N. B.—Bidders are required to submit their estimates upon the following express conditions, which shall apply to and become a part of every estimate received:

1st. Bidders must satisfy themselves, by personal examination of the location of the proposed delivery of materials, and by such other means as they may prefer, as to the accuracy of the foregoing Engineer's estimate, and shall not, at any time after the submission of an estimate, dispute or complain of the above statement of quantities, nor assert that there was any misunderstanding in regard to the nature or amount of the work to be done.

2d. Bidders will be required to complete the entire work to the satisfaction of the Department of Docks, and in substantial accordance with the specifications of the contract. No extra compensation, beyond the amount payable for the work before mentioned, which shall be actually performed at the price therefor, per thousand feet, B. M., to be specified by the lowest bidder, shall be due or payable for the entire work.

The contractor shall be ready to commence the delivery of the materials called for under this contract within five days after the date of this contract, and the delivery shall be commenced and shall be continued in such manner and quantities and at such times and places as may from time to time be directed by the Engineer-in-Chief, and the entire work is to be fully completed on or before the 1st day of April, 1898, and the damages to be paid by the contractor for each day that the contract may be unfulfilled after the time fixed for the fulfillment thereof has expired, are, by a clause in the contract, fixed and liquidated at Fifty Dollars per day.

Bidders will state in their estimates a price per thousand feet, board measure, for spruce timber, delivered in conformity with the approved form of agreement and the specifications therein set forth, by which price the bids will be tested. This price is to cover all expenses of every kind involved in or incidental to the fulfillment of the contract, including any claim that may arise through delay, from any cause, in the performing of the work thereunder.

Bidders will distinctly write out, both in words and in figures, the amount of their estimates for doing this work.

The person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to attend at this office with the sureties offered by him or them, and execute the contract within five days from the date of the service of a notice to that effect, and in case of failure or neglect so to do, he or they will be considered as having abandoned it, and as in default to the Corporation; and the contract will be re-advertised and relet, and so on until it be accepted and executed.

Bidders are required to state in their

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

No estimate will be received or considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the State or National banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of five per centum of the amount of security required for the faithful performance of the contract. Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the specifications will be allowed unless under the written instructions of the Engineer-in-Chief.

No estimate will be accepted from or contract awarded to any person who is in arrears to the Corporation, upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

In case there are two or more bids at the same price, which price is the lowest price bid, the contract, if awarded, will be awarded by lot to one of the lowest bidders.

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Bidders are requested, in making their bids or estimates, to use the blank prepared for that purpose by the Department, a copy of which, together with the form of the agreement, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment for the work, can be obtained upon application therefor at the office of the Department.

EDWARD C. O'BRIEN, EDWIN EINSTEIN, JOHN MONKS, Commissioners of the Department of Docks.

Dated New York, October 28, 1897.

PARK AVENUE IMPROVEMENT.

TO PAINTING CONTRACTORS.
THE BOARD FOR THE PARK AVENUE IMPROVEMENT above One Hundred and Sixth street, will receive sealed proposals up to 3 o'clock P. M. of Thursday, the 9th day of November, 1897, at its offices, No. 501 Fifth Avenue, New York City, for painting the metal viaduct structure on Park Avenue, between the south side of One Hundred and Tenth street and the south side of Harlem river, at about One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, in accordance with specifications and form of contract and proposal, which may now be inspected, and further information, if desired, obtained at the offices of the Board.

NEW YORK, October 27, 1897.
FRANK BULKLEY, President.
HENRY L. STODDARD, Secretary.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the Committee on Buildings of the Board of Education of the City of New York, at the Annex of the Hall of the Board, No. 585 Broadway, eleventh floor, until 3:30 o'clock P. M. on Monday, November 8, 1897, for Supplying Heating and Ventilating Apparatus and Electric-lighting Plant for New Public School No. 20, on south side of Irvington street, between Forsyth and Eldridge streets; also for Old Iron, etc., now in Storehouse, No. 322 East Twentieth street.

Plans and specifications may be seen and blank proposals obtained at the Annex of the Hall of the Board, Estimating Room, Nos. 419 and 421 Broome street, top floor.

The attention of bidders is expressly called to the time stated in the contract within which the work must be completed. They are expressly notified that the successful bidder will be held strictly to completion within said time.

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

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

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

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

It is required as a condition precedent to the reception or consideration of any proposals, that a certified check upon or a certificate of deposit of one of the State or National banks or Trust Companies of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the President of the Board of Education, shall accompany the proposal to an amount of not less than three per cent. of such proposal when said proposal is for or exceeds ten thousand dollars, and to an amount of not less than five per cent. of such proposal when said proposal is for an amount under ten thousand dollars; that on demand, within one day after the awarding of the contract by the Committee, the President of the Board will return all the deposits of checks and certificates of deposits made, to the persons making the same, except that made by the person or persons whose bid has been so accepted, and that if the person or persons whose bid has been so accepted shall refuse or neglect, within five days after due notice has been given that the contract is ready for execution, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit or of the check or certificate of deposit made by him or them shall be forfeited to and retained by this Board, not as a penalty, but as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal, and shall be paid into the City Treasury to the credit of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York; but if the said person or persons whose bid has been so accepted shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his or their deposit of check or certificate of deposit shall be returned to him or them.

EDWARD H. PEASLEE, RICHARD H. ADAMS, DANIEL E. McSWEENEY, WILLIAM H. HURLBUT, JACOB W. MACK, Committee on Buildings.

Dated New York, September 27, 1897.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED by the Committee on Buildings of the Board of Education of the City of New York, at the Annex of the Hall of the Board, No. 585 Broadway, eleventh floor, until 3:30 o'clock P. M., on Monday, November 1, 1897, for Erecting a New Building for Public School No. 40, south side of Twentieth street, 300 feet west of First Avenue.

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EDWARD H. PEASLEE, RICHARD H. ADAMS, DANIEL E. McSWEENEY, WILLIAM H. HURLBUT, JACOB W. MACK, Committee on Buildings.

Dated New York, October 21, 1897.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

PROPOSALS FOR \$314,000.00 THREE PER CENT. BONDS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, GUARDIANS AND OTHERS HOLDING TRUST FUNDS ARE AUTHORIZED, BY AN ACT OF THE LEGISLATURE PASSED MARCH 14, 1889, TO INVEST IN THESE BONDS AND STOCK.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE COMPTROLLER OF THE CITY OF New York, at his office, No. 280 Broadway, in the City of New York, until TUESDAY, THE 9TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1897, at 2 o'clock P. M., when they will be publicly opened in the presence of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, or such of them as shall attend, as provided by law, for the whole or a part of the following-described Registered Bonds of the City of New York, bearing interest at three per cent. per annum, to wit:

AMOUNT.	TITLE.	AUTHORITY.	PRINCIPAL PAYABLE.	INTEREST PAYABLE.
\$300,000 00	Consolidated Stock of the City of New York, known as "Fire Department Bonds"	Sections 132 and 134, New York City Consolidation Act of 1882; chapter 76, Laws of 1894, as amended by chapter 751, Laws of 1896, and resolution, Board of Estimate and Apportionment, August 17, 1897.....	Nov. 1, 1916	May 1 and Nov. 1
14,000 00	Consolidated Stock of the City of New York, known as "Police Department Bonds"	Sections 132 and 134, New York City Consolidation Act of 1882; chapter 350, Laws of 1892; chapter 495, Laws of 1895, and resolution Board of Estimate and Apportionment, October 12, 1897.....	Nov. 1, 1918	May 1 and Nov. 1

This stock is exempt from taxation by the City and County of New York, but not from State taxation, pursuant to the provisions of section 137 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, and under an ordinance of the Common Council of said city, approved by the Mayor October 2, 1880, and a resolution of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund adopted July 2, 1897.

CONDITIONS

provided by section 146 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, as amended by chapter 103 of the Laws of 1897:

No proposal for bonds or stock will be accepted for less than the par value of the same.

Each bidder must deposit with the Comptroller in money, or by a certified check drawn to the order of the said Comptroller upon a State or National Bank of the City of New York, TWO PER CENT. of the amount of the proposal, including premium. No proposal will be received or considered which is not accompanied by such deposit. All such deposits will be returned by the Comptroller to the persons making the same within three days after decision as to the highest bidder or bidders has been made, except the deposit or deposits made by

such highest bidder or bidders. If said highest bidder or bidders shall refuse or neglect, within five days after the service of written notice of the award to him or them, to pay to the Chamberlain of the City of New York the amount of the stock or bonds awarded to him or them at their par value, together with the premium thereon, if any, less the amount deposited by him or them, the amount of such deposit or deposits shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such refusal or neglect.

The Comptroller, with the approval of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, shall determine what, if any, part of said proposals shall be accepted, and upon the payment into the City Treasury of the amounts due by the persons whose bids are accepted, respectively, certificates thereof shall be issued to them as authorized by law.

The proposals, together with the security deposits, should be inclosed in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Proposals for Bonds of the Corporation of the City of New York," and then inclosed in a second envelope, addressed to the Comptroller of the City of New York.

ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller.
CITY OF NEW YORK, FINANCE DEPARTMENT—COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, October 27, 1897.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT, BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF TAXES, No. 57 CHAMBERS STREET (STEWART BUILDING), NEW YORK, October 1, 1897.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Assessment Rolls of Real Estate, Personal Property and Bank Stock in the City and County of New York, for the year 1897, and the warrants for the collection of taxes, have been delivered to the undersigned, and that all the taxes on said assessment rolls are now due and payable at this office.

In case of payment on or before the 1st day of November next, the person so paying shall be entitled to the benefits mentioned in section 842 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, viz.: a reduction of interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum between the day of such payment and the 1st day of December next. DAVID E. AUSTEN, Receiver of Taxes.

INTEREST ON CITY BONDS AND STOCKS.

THE INTEREST DUE NOVEMBER 1, 1897, ON the Registered Bonds and Stocks of the City and County of New York will be paid on that day by the Comptroller at the office of the City Chamberlain, Room 27, Stewart Building, corner of Broadway and Chambers street.

The Transfer Books will be closed from September 30 to November 1, 1897.

The interest due November 1, 1897, on the Coupon Bonds and Stocks of the City of New York, will be paid on that day by the State Trust Company, No. 100 Broadway.

ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller.
CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, September 15, 1897.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK, October 21, 1897.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the 37th auction sale of Police Unclaimed and Cartage Property will be sold at Public Auction Wednesday, November 10, 1897, at 11 o'clock A. M., of the following property, viz.: Men's and Women's Clothing, Tools, Machinery, Musical Instruments, Revolvers, Knives, Case Goods, Iron, Lead, Brass, etc., Iron Bedsteads, Wardrobes, Desks, Pigeon Holes, Tables, Chairs, Folding Beds, Water Coolers and a lot of Miscellaneous Articles. For particulars see catalogue on day of sale.

JOHN F. HARRIOT, Property Clerk.

POLICE DEPARTMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK, 1896.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY Clerk of the Police Department of the City of New York, No. 100 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 money taken from prisoners and found by Patrolmen of this Department.

JOHN F. HARRIOT, Property Clerk.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE, ROOM 209 STEWART BUILDING, NO. 280 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, October 22, 1897.

TO CONTRACTORS.

BIDS OR PROPOSALS FOR DOING THE work and furnishing the materials called for in the approved forms of contract now on file in the office of the Aqueduct Commissioners, for constructing a keeper's house and storage room extension, janitor's cottage and stable at the Jerome Park Reservoir, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, will be received at this office until Wednesday, November 10, 1897, at 3 o'clock P. M., and they will be publicly opened by the Aqueduct Commissioners as soon thereafter as possible, and the award of the contract for doing said work and furnishing said materials will be made by said Commissioners as soon thereafter as practicable.

Blank forms of said approved contract, and the specifications thereof, and bids or proposals and proper envelopes for their inclosure, form of bonds and all other information can be obtained at the above office of the Aqueduct Commissioners, on application to the Secretary.

By order of the Aqueduct Commissioners.
JAMES C. DUANE, President.
EDWARD L. ALLEN, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK, NEW YORK, October 20, 1897.

TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES, WITH THE title of the work and the name of the bidder indorsed thereon, will be received by the Department of Public Parks, at its offices, Arsenal Building, Sixty-fourth street and Fifth Avenue, Central Park, until 2:30 o'clock P. M., of Monday, November 1, 1897, for the following-named works:

No. 1. FOR SUPPLYING AND ERECTING WROUGHT-IRON OR STEEL RAILING AND GRANITE POSTS ON THE HARLEM RIVER DRIVEWAY, IN THE TWELFTH WARD OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

No. 2. FOR FURNISHING ALL THE LABOR AND FURNISHING AND ERECTING ALL THE MATERIALS NECESSARY TO ERECT AND COMPLETE A PUBLIC LAVATORY FOR MEN IN RIVERSIDE PARK, NEAR SEVENTY-SECOND STREET, IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

No. 3. FOR REPAIRING AND PAVING WITH ROCK ASPHALT THE NORTHERLY SIDEWALK OF TRANSVERSE ROAD NO. 3, CROSSING THE CENTRAL PARK, IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

The Engineer's estimates of the several works to be done are as follows:

No. 1, ABOVE MENTIONED.
17,000 lineal feet of wrought-iron or steel railing constructed and erected complete.

175 granite posts or pedestals.

The time allowed for the completion of the whole work will be One Hundred Consecutive Working Days.

The damages to be paid by the contractor for each day that the contract or any part thereof may be unfulfilled after the time fixed for the completion thereof has expired, are fixed at Forty Dollars per day.

The amount of security required is Twenty Thousand Dollars.

No. 2, ABOVE MENTIONED.

Bidders will be required to state in their proposals one price or lump sum for which they will execute the entire work.

The time allowed to complete the whole work will be until April 1, 1898, and the damages to be paid by the contractor for each day that the contract, or any part thereof, may be unfulfilled after the time fixed for the completion thereof has expired, are fixed at Twenty Dollars per day.

The amount of security required is Ten Thousand Dollars.

No. 3, ABOVE MENTIONED.

15,500 square feet of pavement of rock asphalt, upon existing concrete base.

The time allowed for the completion of the whole work will be ten consecutive working days.

The damages to be paid by the contractor for each day that the contract, or any part thereof, may be unfulfilled after the time fixed for the completion thereof has expired, are fixed at Four Dollars per day.

The amount of security required is One Thousand Dollars.

Bidders must satisfy themselves by personal examination of the location of the proposed work, and by such other means as they may prefer, as to the nature and extent of the work, and shall not, any time after the submission of an estimate, dispute or complain of such

statement, nor assert that there was any misunderstanding in regard to the nature or amount of the work to be done.

The estimates received will be publicly opened by the head of the said Department at the place and hour last above mentioned and read.

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

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

No bid or estimate will be received or considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the State or National banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. Such check or money must NOT be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

N. B.—The prices must be written in the estimate and also stated in figures, and all estimates will be considered as informal which do not contain bids for all items for which bids are herein called, or which contain bids for items for which bids are not herewith called for. Permission will not be given for the withdrawal of any bid or estimate. No bid will be accepted from, or contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

The Department of Public Parks reserves the right to reject any or all the bids received in response to this advertisement if it should deem it for the interest of the City so to do, and to readvertise until satisfactory bids or proposals shall be received, but the contracts when awarded will be awarded to the lowest bidders.

Blank forms for proposals and forms of the several contracts which the successful bidder will be required to execute can be had, the plans can be seen, and information relative to them can be had, at the office of the Department, Arsenal, Central Park, and also, in the case of No. 2 above mentioned, at the office of the architects, Howard & Caldwell, No. 10 East Twenty-third street.

SAMUEL McMILLAN, S. V. R. CRUGER, SMITH ELY, EDWARD MITCHELL, Commissioners of Public Parks.

CITY CIVIL SERVICE COMM.

NEW CRIMINAL COURT BUILDING, NEW YORK, October 28, 1897.

EXAMINATIONS WILL BE HELD AS FOLLOWS:

Monday, November 1, 10 A. M., HOSPITAL ORDERLIES. Examination will consist of writing, arithmetic, duties and a medical examination.

Friday, November 5, 10 A. M., NIGHT OFFICER, LODGING-HOUSE FOR HOMELESS MEN. Examination will consist of writing, arithmetic, spelling, duties, records, test of memory and experience.

Monday, November 8, 10 A. M., POLICE CLERKS. The examination will consist of writing, arithmetic, English spelling, dictation and letter-writing, and in addition thereto, a special paper on the Penal Code and Code of Criminal Procedure. Applicants for this position must be residents of the City of New York.

Tuesday, November 9, 10 A. M., INSPECTORS TO SUPERVISE ELEVATORS IN BUILDING DEPARTMENT. Candidates must be competent machinists. Examination will consist of writing, arithmetic, technical knowledge (with special reference to construction of elevators) and experience; also in plans, etc.

Wednesday, November 10, 10 A. M., ARCHITECTURAL DRAUGHTSMEN. Examination will consist of writing, arithmetic, technical knowledge and experience.

Friday, November 12, 10 A. M., DYNAMO ENGINEERS. Examination will consist of writing, arithmetic, technical knowledge (with special reference to dynamos and care and use of electric-light plant) and experience.

Monday, November 15, 10 A. M., GARDENERS. Examination will consist of arithmetic, reading, technical knowledge and experience.

Tuesday, November 16, 10 A. M., INSPECTORS OF ELECTRICAL WIRES AND APPLIANCES. Examination will consist of writing, arithmetic, technical knowledge and experience.

Thursday, November 18, 10 A. M., INSPECTORS OF WATER METERS, WASTE WATER AND SUPPLY TO SHIPPING. Examination will consist of writing, arithmetic, technical knowledge and experience.

Monday, November 22, 10 A. M., INSPECTORS OF PIPES AND PIPE-LAYING. Examination will consist of writing, arithmetic, technical knowledge and experience.

Applications are desired for the position of House-keeper and Engineers who have had experience in running dynamos.

S. WILLIAM BRISCOE, Secretary.

NEW YORK, October 28, 1897.
NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT THE REGISTRATION day in the Labor Bureau will be Friday, and that examinations will take place on that day at 1 P. M.
S. WILLIAM BRISCOE, Secretary.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, 23D AND 24TH WARDS.

OCTOBER 22, 1897.

TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR EACH OF the following-mentioned works, with the title of the work and name of the bidder indorsed thereon, also the number of the work, as in the advertisement, will be received by the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, at his office, Third avenue and One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street, until 11 o'clock A. M., on Thursday, November 4, 1897, at which time and hour they will be publicly opened:

No. 1. REPAVING WITH ASPHALT ON PRESENT PAVEMENT THE CARRIAGEWAY OF ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-SECOND STREET, from College avenue to Third avenue, and from Willis avenue to Brook avenue.

No. 2. REPAVING WITH ASPHALT ON PRESENT PAVEMENT THE CARRIAGEWAY OF ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-EIGHTH STREET, from Third avenue to St. Ann's avenue.

No. 3. REPAVING WITH ASPHALT ON PRESENT PAVEMENT THE CARRIAGEWAY OF ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FIFTH STREET, from Elton avenue to Courtlandt avenue.

No. 4. REPAVING WITH ASPHALT ON PRESENT PAVEMENT THE CARRIAGEWAY OF WEBSTER AVENUE, from One Hundred and Eighty-seventh street to One Hundred and Eighty-ninth street.

No. 5. REGULATING, GRADING, SETTING CURB-STONES, FLAGGING THE SIDEWALKS, LAYING CROSSWALKS, BUILDING APPROACHES AND PLACING FENCES IN MORRIS AVENUE, from the east side of the New York and Harlem Railroad to the Grand Boulevard or Concourse.

No. 6. REGULATING, GRADING, SETTING CURB-STONES, FLAGGING THE SIDEWALKS AND LAYING CROSSWALKS IN AND PAVING WITH GRANITE BLOCK PAVEMENT THE CARRIAGEWAY OF BROWN PLACE, from the Southern Boulevard to One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street.

No. 7. REGULATING, GRADING, SETTING CURB-STONES, FLAGGING THE SIDEWALKS, LAYING CROSSWALKS AND PLACING FENCES IN ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SEVENTH STREET, from Brook avenue to the Southern Boulevard.

No. 8. REGULATING, GRADING, SETTING CURB-STONES, FLAGGING THE SIDEWALKS, LAYING CROSSWALKS, BUILDING APPROACHES AND PLACING FENCES IN ANTHONY AVENUE, from Clay avenue to the Grand Boulevard and Concourse.

No. 9. REGULATING, GRADING, SETTING CURB-STONES, FLAGGING THE SIDEWALKS, AND LAYING CROSSWALKS IN BATHGATE AVENUE, from Wendover avenue to One Hundred and Eighty-eighth street.

No. 10. SEWER AND APPURTENANCES IN EAST ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-FIRST STREET, from the existing sewer in Brook avenue to St. Ann's avenue.

No. 11. SEWER AND APPURTENANCES IN EAST ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-EIGHTH STREET (Charles place), from the existing sewer in River avenue to the Concourse.

No. 12. SEWERS AND APPURTENANCES IN EAST ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVENTH STREET, from Southern Boulevard to Lorillard place, AND IN CROTONA AVENUE, from Grote street to East One Hundred and Eighty-ninth street, AND IN BELMONT AVENUE, from East One Hundred and Eighty-seventh street to St. John's College, AND IN ARTHUR AVENUE, from East One Hundred and Eighty-seventh street to the summit south, AND IN HOFFMAN STREET, from Pelham avenue to the summit south of East One Hundred and Eighty-seventh street.

No. 13. SEWERS AND APPURTENANCES IN BAINBRIDGE AVENUE, from Kingsbridge road to summit north of East One Hundred and Ninety-seventh street, IN EAST ONE HUNDRED AND NINETY-FOURTH STREET, from Bainbridge avenue to Kingsbridge road, IN BRIGGS AVENUE, from East One Hundred and Ninety-fourth street to East One Hundred and Ninety-eighth street.

No. 14. SEWERS AND APPURTENANCES IN CRESCENT AVENUE, between East One Hundred and Eighty-seventh street and Arthur avenue, AND IN ARTHUR AVENUE, between Crescent avenue and East One Hundred and Eighty-second street, AND IN ADAMS PLACE, between Crescent avenue and East One Hundred and Eighty-second street, AND IN HUGHES AVENUE, between Crescent avenue and East One Hundred and Eighty-second street, AND IN BELMONT AVENUE, between Crescent avenue and East One Hundred and Eighty-second street, AND IN CAMBRELING AVENUE, between Crescent avenue and Grote street, AND IN BEAUMONT AVENUE, between East One Hundred and Eighty-seventh street and East One Hundred and Eighty-third street.

No. 15. SEWER AND APPURTENANCES IN ANTHONY AVENUE, from the existing sewer in East One Hundred and Seventy-third street to East One Hundred and Seventy-sixth street.

No. 16. SEWER AND APPURTENANCES IN EAST ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIRST STREET, between Washington avenue and Fulton avenue, AND IN FULTON AVENUE, between St. Paul's place and Wendover avenue.

No. 17. SEWERS AND APPURTENANCES IN EAST ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-FIRST STREET, from the existing sewer in Walnut avenue, to Cypress avenue, AND IN WALES AVENUE, from East One Hundred and Forty-first street to East One Hundred and Forty-second street, AND IN EAST ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-SECOND STREET, from Wales avenue to Powers avenue, AND IN CONCORD AVENUE, from East One Hundred and Forty-first street to East One Hundred and Forty-second street, AND IN ROBBINS AVENUE, from East One Hundred and Forty-first street to St. Mary's street, AND IN POWERS AVENUE, from East One Hundred and Forty-first street to St. Mary's street, AND IN SOUTHERN BOULEVARD (west side), from East One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street to East One Hundred and Forty-second street, AND IN SOUTHERN BOULEVARD (east side), from East One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street to Whitlock avenue.

No. 18. SEWER AND APPURTENANCES IN EAST ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FOURTH STREET, between Webster avenue and Park avenue, AND IN PARK AVENUE, between East One Hundred and Seventy-third street and East One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street.

No. 19. CONSTRUCTING, ALTERING AND IMPROVING SEWERS AND APPURTENANCES, IN ROSE STREET, from the existing sewer in Brook avenue to Third avenue; IN THIRD AVENUE, between Rose street and Elton avenue; IN ELTON AVENUE, between Third avenue and East One Hundred and Fifty-third street; IN EAST ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-THIRD STREET, from Elton avenue to a point about 70 feet west (to Manhole No. 11); IN EAST ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FOURTH STREET, between Third avenue and Melrose avenue, AND IN MELROSE AVENUE, between East One Hundred and Fifty-fourth street and East One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street.

No. 20. SEWER AND APPURTENANCES IN TIEBOUT AVENUE, from the existing sewer in East One Hundred and Eighty-fourth street to the summit south.

Each estimate must contain the name and place of residence of the person making the same, the names of all persons interested with him therein, and if no other person is so interested it shall distinctly state that fact. That it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same work, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. That no member of the Common Council, head of a depart-

ment, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof, or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested in the estimate or in the work to which it relates or in the profits thereof.

Each bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party making the same, that the several matters therein stated are true, and must be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, to the effect that if the contract is awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, upon its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance; and that if he shall refuse or neglect to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled upon its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person to whom the contract shall be awarded at any subsequent letting; the amount to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested.

The consent last above mentioned must be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of the contract, over and above his liabilities as bail, surety, or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as surety in good faith, with the intention to execute the bond required by law.

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the State or National banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. Such check or money must not be inclosed in a sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

The Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards reserves the right to reject all bids received for any particular work if he deems it for the best interests of the City.

Blank forms of bid or estimate, the proper envelopes in which to inclose the same, the specifications and agreements, and any further information desired, can be obtained at this office.

LOUIS F. HAFEN, Commissioner of Street Improvements, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

NEW YORK, October 28, 1897.

TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING THE materials and labor and doing the work required in making additional repairs, etc., to the fire-boat "Zophar Mills" (Engine Company No. 51) of this Department, will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head of the Fire Department, at the office of said Department, Nos. 157 and 159 East Sixty-seventh street, in the City of New York, until 10.30 o'clock A. M., Wednesday, November 10, 1897, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read.

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

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

The form of the agreement, with specifications, showing the manner of payment for the work, may be seen and forms of proposals may be obtained at the office of the Department.

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

The work is to be fully completed and delivered within the twentieth (20th) day after the execution of the contract.

The damages to be paid by the contractor for each day that the contract may be unfulfilled after the time specified for the completion thereof shall have expired are fixed and liquidated at Twenty (20) Dollars.

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

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

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

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

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders of the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance in the sum of Twelve Hundred (\$1,200) Dollars, and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by law.

The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered is to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York before the award is made and prior to the signing of the contract.

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of Sixty (60) Dollars. Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits except that of the successful bidder will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

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

JAMES R. SHEFFIELD, O. H. LA GRANGE, and THOMAS STURGIS, Commissioners.

be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

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

JAMES R. SHEFFIELD, O. H. LA GRANGE, and THOMAS STURGIS, Commissioners.

NEW YORK, October 26, 1897.

TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING the materials and labor and doing the work required for constructing and erecting a building for the Fire Department on the north side of Grand avenue (East Two Hundred and Thirty-third street), between Katonah avenue and East Two Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, will be received by the Board of Commissioners of the Fire Department, at the office of said Department, Nos. 157 and 159 East Sixty-seventh street, in the City of New York, until 10.30 o'clock A. M., Wednesday, November 10, 1897, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read.

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

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

The form of the agreement, and the specifications, showing the manner of payment for the work, and forms of proposals, may be obtained and the plans may be seen at the office of the Department.

Proposals must be made for all the work contained in the specifications.

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

The building is to be completed and delivered within one hundred and eighty (180) days after the execution of the contract.

The damages to be paid by the contractor for each day that the contract may be unfulfilled after the time specified for the completion thereof shall have expired are fixed and liquidated at Twenty (20) Dollars.

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

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

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

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

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders of the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as sureties for its faithful performance in the sum of Eight Thousand (\$8,000) Dollars, and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by law. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered is to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York before the award is made and prior to the signing of the contract.

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of Four Hundred (400) Dollars. Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits except that of the successful bidder will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

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

JAMES R. SHEFFIELD, O. H. LA GRANGE, and THOMAS STURGIS, Commissioners.

RULES AND REQUIREMENTS OF THE

Board of Commissioners of the Fire Department, City of New York, for the installation of electrical apparatus, etc., for electric light, power and heat, adopted 1897, as provided for by section 44, chapter 275 of the Laws of 1892 (amending chapter 410, Laws of 1882, section 517½).

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, NOS. 157 AND 159 EAST SIXTY-SEVENTH STREET, NEW YORK, October 14, 1897.

Notice is hereby given that the amendments to the rules of this Department dated August 7, 1897, governing electrical installations, etc., and published in the CITY RECORD, will not be enforced until the first of November next.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, October 25, 1897.

TO CONTRACTORS.

BIDS OR ESTIMATES, INCLOSED IN A sealed envelope, with the title of the work and the name of the bidder indorsed thereon, also the number of the work as in the advertisement, will be received at No. 150 Nassau street, corner of Spruce street, in the Chief Clerk's Office, Room No. 1704-7, until 12 o'clock M., on Tuesday, November 9, 1897. The bids will be publicly opened by the head of the Department, on second floor, at No. 150 Nassau street, at the hour above mentioned.

No. 1. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH ASPHALT PAVEMENT, ON THE PRESENT PAVEMENT, THE CARRIAGEWAY OF WALL STREET, from the east side of Hanover to the east side of Pearl street.

No. 2. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH ASPHALT PAVEMENT, ON THE PRESENT PAVEMENT, THE CARRIAGEWAY OF MERCER STREET, from Third to Fourth street.

No. 3. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH ASPHALT PAVEMENT, ON THE PRESENT PAVEMENT, THE CARRIAGEWAY OF BOULEVARD, WEST SIDE, from One Hundred and Eight to One Hundred and Tenth street.

No. 4. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH ASPHALT PAVEMENT, ON THE PRESENT PAVEMENT, THE CARRIAGEWAY OF WEST END AVENUE, from south side of Seventy-sixth to south side of Seventy-ninth street.

No. 5. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH ASPHALT PAVEMENT, ON THE PRESENT PAVEMENT, THE CARRIAGEWAY OF TWELFTH STREET, from Sixth to Seventh avenue.

No. 6. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH ASPHALT PAVEMENT, ON THE PRESENT PAVEMENT, THE CARRIAGEWAY OF FORTY-EIGHTH STREET, from Eighth to Eleventh avenue, AND FORTY-NINTH STREET, from Seventh to Eighth avenue.

No. 7. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH ASPHALT PAVEMENT, ON THE PRESENT PAVEMENT, THE CARRIAGEWAY OF FIFTY-FIRST STREET, from Sixth to Eighth avenue.

No. 8. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH ASPHALT PAVEMENT, ON THE PRESENT PAVEMENT, THE CARRIAGEWAY OF SIXTY-FOURTH STREET, from Park to Third avenue, AND SIXTY-FIFTH STREET, from Lexington to Park avenue.

No. 9. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH ASPHALT PAVEMENT, ON THE PRESENT PAVEMENT, THE CARRIAGEWAY OF SIXTY-EIGHTH STREET, from Central Park, West, to Columbus avenue.

No. 10. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH ASPHALT PAVEMENT, ON THE PRESENT PAVEMENT, THE CARRIAGEWAY OF SIXTY-SIXTH STREET, from Boulevard to Amsterdam avenue, AND SIXTY-NINTH STREET, from Central Park, West, to West End avenue.

No. 11. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH ASPHALT PAVEMENT, ON THE PRESENT PAVEMENT, THE CARRIAGEWAY OF SIXTY-EIGHTH STREET, from First to Third avenue.

No. 12. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH ASPHALT PAVEMENT, ON THE PRESENT PAVEMENT, THE CARRIAGEWAY OF SEVENTY-FOURTH STREET, from First to Park avenue.

No. 13. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH ASPHALT PAVEMENT, ON THE PRESENT PAVEMENT, THE CARRIAGEWAY OF EIGHTY-SECOND STREET, from Columbus avenue to the Boulevard.

No. 14. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH ASPHALT PAVEMENT, ON THE PRESENT PAVEMENT, THE CARRIAGEWAY OF EIGHTY-THIRD STREET, from Fifth to Madison avenue.

No. 15. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH ASPHALT PAVEMENT, ON THE PRESENT PAVEMENT, THE CARRIAGEWAY OF EIGHTY-FIFTH STREET, from Central Park, West, to Amsterdam avenue.

No. 16. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH ASPHALT BLOCK PAVEMENT, ON CONCRETE FOUNDATION, THE CARRIAGEWAY OF ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-FOURTH STREET, from Amsterdam avenue to Riverside drive.

No. 17. FOR REPAIRING AND MAINTAINING THE ASPHALT PAVEMENT NOW IN WEST END AVENUE, from north side of Ninety-ninth to south side of One Hundred and Fourth street, including the present crosswalks.

No. 18. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH VITRIFIED BRICK PAVEMENT, ON CONCRETE FOUNDATION, THE CARRIAGEWAY OF TWENTY-FOURTH STREET, from Madison to First avenue.

No. 19. FOR OUTLET SEWER FOR SEWERAGE DISTRICT NO. 29, WITH SEWERS IN BOULEVARD LAFAYETTE, between summit south of One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street and summit north of One Hundred and Eighty-first street, AND IN ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIFTH STREET, between Boulevard Lafayette and Fort Washington avenue.

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him therein, and if no other person be so interested it shall distinctly state that fact; that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof, or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or in the work to which it relates or in any portion of the profits thereof.

Each estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party making the same, that the several matters therein stated are true, and must be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, to the effect that if the contract is awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, upon its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance, and that if he shall refuse or neglect to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled upon its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person to whom the contract shall be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested.

The consent last above mentioned must be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of the contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety, or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as surety in good faith, with the intention to execute the bond required by law.

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the State or National banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the

security required for the faithful performance of the contract. Such check or money must not be included in a sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid the amount of the deposit will be returned to him.

THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS RECEIVED FOR ANY PARTICULAR WORK IF HE DEEMS IT FOR THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CITY.

Blank forms of bid or estimate, the proper envelopes in which to inclose the same, the specifications and agreements, and any further information desired, can be obtained in Bureau of Water Purveyor for Nos. 1 to 18, inclusive, and in Room No. 1701 for No. 19.

CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner of Public Works.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, October 22, 1897.

TO CONTRACTORS.

BIDS OR ESTIMATES, INCLOSED IN A sealed envelope, with the title of the work and the name of the bidder indorsed thereon, also the number of the work as in the advertisement, will be received at No. 150 Nassau street, corner of Spruce street, in the Chief Clerk's office, Room No. 1704-7, until 12 o'clock a. m. on Friday, November 5, 1897. The bids will be publicly opened by the head of the Department, on second floor, at No. 150 Nassau street, at the hour above mentioned.

No. 1. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH ASPHALT PAVEMENT, ON THE PRESENT PAVEMENT, THE CARRIAGEWAY OF LEWIS STREET, from Houston to Eighth street, so far as the same is not within the limits of grants of land under water.

No. 2. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH ASPHALT PAVEMENT, ON THE PRESENT PAVEMENT, THE CARRIAGEWAY OF SIXTH STREET, from Avenue D to Lewis street, and SEVENTH STREET, from Avenue C to Lewis street.

No. 3. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH ASPHALT PAVEMENT, ON THE PRESENT PAVEMENT, THE CARRIAGEWAY OF ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH STREET, from Fifth avenue to Avenue A.

No. 4. FOR FLAGGING, CURBING, ETC., THE SIDEWALKS ON FOURTEENTH, FIFTEENTH AND SIXTEENTH STREETS, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues.

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him therein, and if no other person be so interested it shall distinctly state that fact; that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof, or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or in the work to which it relates or in any portion of the profits thereof.

Each estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party making the same, that the several matters therein stated are true, and must be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, to the effect that if the contract is awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, upon its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance, and that if he shall refuse or neglect to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled upon its completion, and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person to whom the contract shall be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested.

The consent last above mentioned must be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of the contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety, or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as surety in good faith, with the intention to execute the bond required by law.

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the State or National banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. Such check or money must not be included in a sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid the amount of the deposit will be returned to him.

THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS RECEIVED FOR ANY PARTICULAR WORK IF HE DEEMS IT FOR THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CITY.

Blank forms of bid or estimate, the proper envelopes in which to inclose the same, the specifications and agreements, and any further information desired, can be obtained in Bureau of Water Purveyor, for Nos. 1, 2 and 3, and in Room 1733 for No. 4.

CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner of Public Works.

TO OWNERS, ARCHITECTS AND BUILDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ALL ORDINANCES of the Common Council, approved March 30, 1897, and subsequent thereto, in relation to the use and occupancy of sidewalks, must be complied with, and that all hoistways must occupy only such space of the sidewalk as is authorized by special ordinance of the Common Council, passed March 30, 1896, viz.:

"Hoistways may be placed within the stoop-lanes, but in no case to extend beyond five feet from the house-line, and shall be guarded by railings or rods to prevent accidents to passers-by."

You are further notified that all violations now existing of such ordinances must be removed, and that all conditions set forth in permits granted for vault or other purposes must be complied with within sixty days. The special ordinances permitting court-yard inclosures give no right to occupy this space otherwise.

CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner of Public Works.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS, BUILDERS, FLAGGERS AND OTHERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE practice of placing concrete or other friable curbs on the streets of this city is in contravention of chapter 5, Article XIV, section 251, Revised Ordinances of 1897,

which reads: "All curbs-stones * * * shall be of the best hard blue or gray granite." And this Department will find it necessary to prosecute to the full penalty imposed by law persons setting or making such curbs, whether they have broken up or removed the curbs-stones provided by the City or not.

Further notice is given that this Department will in no case entertain claims or damages to concrete or other artificial sidewalks that are caused by repair or setting of hydrants, or by other work which the City does for the general good.

CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, August 6, 1896.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE charge for vault permits is fixed at the rate of \$2 per square foot, under and pursuant to ordinance of the Common Council relating thereto.

HOWARD PAYSON WILDS, Deputy Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, March 23, 1897.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL PLUMBERS, to whom license has been or may be issued to make and connect service pipes, for conducting water to houses and tenements with the distributing pipes in this city, after said pipes have been tapped, and to make connections with the sewers or drains in the streets or avenues of this city, that such licenses will be revoked in the case of any plumber who permits another to use his license and to do the work of a master plumber without holding a certificate of competency from the Examining Board of Plumbers; or who violates any of the regulations which have been or may hereafter be established by the Department, respecting the introduction and use of the Croton water and connections made with sewers and drains.

CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner of Public Works.

BOARD OF CITY RECORD.

OFFICE OF THE CITY RECORD, No. 2 CITY HALL, NEW YORK, October 19, 1897.

PROPOSALS FOR PRINTING AND DISTRIBUTING THE CITY RECORD.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR PRINTING, folding, binding and distributing the CITY RECORD (a publication provided for by section 111 of chapter 325, Laws of 1872, section 1 of chapter 631, Laws of 1875, and sections 66, 67 and 68 of chapter 410, Laws of 1882, otherwise known as the New York City Consolidation Act), for one year from January 1, 1898, in accordance with specifications filed in the office of the Supervisor of the City Record, City Hall, New York, will be received in the office of the Supervisor until 12 o'clock a. m. on Wednesday, November 10, 1897, at or about which time they will be publicly opened and read in the office of the Mayor of the City of New York. The award of the contract will be made as soon thereafter as practicable.

Each estimate must state the name and place of residence of the person making the same, and his place of business, the names of all persons interested with him therein, and if no other be so interested, it shall distinctly state that fact; that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same work, and without collusion or fraud, 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.

Each estimate must be made in strict conformity to the ordinances of the City and the specifications; it must be verified by the oath of the party making the same, accompanied by the consent and oath or affirmation of two sureties, householders or freeholders of the City of New York and placed in a sealed envelope. The envelope must be indorsed "Estimate for Printing and Distributing the CITY RECORD," together with the name and place of business of the party making the estimate, and the date of its presentation. The security required on the contract will be Twenty-five Thousand (\$25,000) Dollars.

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the National or State banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of One Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty (\$1,250) Dollars. Such check or money must not be included in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the Supervisor of the City Record or clerk who has charge of the estimate-box, at the office of the CITY RECORD, No. 2 City Hall, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of the deposit will be returned to him.

The RECORD to be a paper in size and general form like the publication of 1897, and to contain such matter only as is authorized and required by law to be published therein, and at the times and in the manner required by the present laws, and matter that may be required during the year by any new or amended laws.

BIDS ARE INVITED AS FOLLOWS:

First.—A price per thousand ems of plain or ordinary composition (which shall include the compiling, correcting, arranging and classifying of and type-setting on the galleys lists), and a price per thousand ems of rule and figure work, which prices shall include the entire cost of printing, furnishing, folding, binding and distributing during the year 1898, commencing on the third day of January, 2,000 copies of each issue and supplements, and such number of the registry lists and indices as may be required (not exceeding 2,000 of each), of the paper known as the CITY RECORD, in conformity with the specifications given, and in conformity with the laws as they now exist or as they may exist during 1898, except what may be paid under the terms of the contract for changes and alterations.

Second.—For changes and alterations per hour.

Third.—The total price per token of four pages for all additional expense incurred in printing, furnishing, folding, binding and distributing any additional number of copies of the CITY RECORD and supplements that may be required beyond the stipulated number of 2,000, said additional copies to conform in every respect to the specifications of the regular authorized edition.

Fourth.—The price per volume for binding, in quarterly or bi-monthly volumes, two hundred, or less, of the copies of the CITY RECORD and indices, for which the contractor is to set aside and preserve for each quarter or for each two months during the year, said binding to be similar and equal in kind and quality to the binding of the CITY RECORD volumes during the present year. The bound volumes of each quarterly or bi-monthly period are to be delivered within six weeks after the copy for the index for that period has been given to the contractor.

The undersigned officers reserve the right to reject any or all proposals if in their judgment the same may be for the best interests of the City.

Copies of the specifications and the form of contract to be entered into may be had at the office of the Supervisor of the City Record, No. 2 City Hall.

By order of
WILLIAM L. STRONG, Mayor; FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation; C. H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner of Public Works.

JOHN A. SLEICHER, Supervisor of the City Record.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS, No. 220 FOURTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, June 22, 1896.

NOTICE TO OWNERS, ARCHITECTS AND BUILDERS.

THE DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS HAS established a branch office at junction of Third and Courtlandt avenues, where all plans for the erection or alteration of buildings above the Harlem river may be submitted and filed.

STEVENSON CONSTABLE, Superintendent Buildings.

SUPREME COURT.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Education, by the Counsel to the Corporation of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to certain lands on the NORTHERLY SIDE OF ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-THIRD STREET AND THE SOUTHERLY SIDE OF ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FOURTH STREET, between Seventh and Eighth avenues, in the Twelfth Ward of said city, duly selected and approved by said Board as a site for school purposes, under and in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMISSIONERS of Estimate in the above-entitled matter, appointed pursuant to the provisions of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof, hereby give notice to the owner or owners, lessee or lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises, title to which is sought to be acquired in this proceeding, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First.—That we have completed our estimate of the loss and damage to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons interested in the lands or premises affected by this proceeding, or having any interest therein, and have filed a true report or transcript of such estimate in the office of the Board of Education for the inspection of whomsoever it may concern.

Second.—That all parties or persons whose rights may be affected by the said estimate, and who may object to the same, or any part thereof, may, within ten days after the first publication of this notice, October 30, 1897, file their objections to such estimate, in writing, with us, at our office, Room No. 2, on the fourth floor of the Staats Zeitung Building, No. 2 Tryon Row, in said city, as provided by section 4 of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof; and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting, at our said office, on the 12th day of November, 1897, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and upon such subsequent days as may be found necessary.

Third.—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term thereof, to be held in Part III, in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 16th day of November, 1897, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated NEW YORK, October 29, 1897.
WILLIAM W. NILES, JR., PETER F. MEYER,
ISAAC H. TERRELL, Commissioners.
JOSEPH M. SCHENCK, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty 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 purpose of opening PROSPECT AVENUE (although not yet named by proper authority), from Crotona Park, North, to East One Hundred and Eighty-ninth street, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 12th day of October, 1897, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, 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 the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty 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 City and County of New York on the 18th day of October, 1897, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue, so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, 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 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the 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, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 23d day of November, 1897, 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 Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated NEW YORK, October 28, 1897.
THEODORE E. SMITH, JOHN J. QUINLAN,
AUGUST MOEBUS, Commissioners.
HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty 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 purpose of opening AUDUBON AVENUE (although not yet named by proper authority), from One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street to Fort George avenue, in the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 20th day of September, 1897, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, 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 the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor,

Aldermen and Commonalty 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 City and County of New York on the 18th day of October, 1897, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue, so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, 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 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the 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, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 22d day of November, 1897, 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 Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated NEW YORK, October 28, 1897.
JAMES R. ELY, ANDREW RUEHL, CHARLES HAZEN RUSSELL, Commissioners.
HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty 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 purpose of opening WATTS STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from Sullivan street to West Broadway, at Broome street, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Eighth Ward of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 12th day of October, 1897, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, 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 the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty 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 City and County of New York on the 18th day of October, 1897, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue, so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, 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 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the 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, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 22d day of November, 1897, 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 Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated NEW YORK, October 28, 1897.
THEODORE E. SMITH, FRANCIS V. S. OLIVER,
CHARLES P. PUTZEL, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty 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 purpose of opening STATION PLACE (although not yet named by proper authority), from Gun Hill road to the Bronx river, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 12th day of October, 1897, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, 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 the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty 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 City and County of New York on the 18th day of October, 1897, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue, so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, 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 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the 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, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York.

New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 22d day of November, 1897, 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 Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated NEW YORK, October 28, 1897.
THEODORE E. SMITH, GEO. DRAKE SMITH,
HENRY K. DAVIS, Commissioners.
HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to PLIMPTON AVENUE (although not yet named by proper authority), from Boscobel avenue to Featherbed lane, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road.

PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES IN SUCH cases made and provided, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held at Part III, thereof, in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on Thursday, the 11th day of November, 1897, at the opening of the Court on 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 acquisition of title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, for the use of the public, to all the lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, required for the opening of a certain street or avenue known as Plimpton avenue, from Boscobel avenue to Featherbed lane, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, being the following-described lots, pieces or parcels of land, viz.:

Beginning at a point in the easterly line of Boscobel avenue distant 64.70 feet southerly from the intersection of the easterly line of Boscobel avenue with the easterly line of Croton Aqueduct.

1st. Thence southerly along the easterly line of Boscobel avenue for 65.84 feet.

2d. Thence northeasterly deflecting 128 degrees 56 minutes to the left for 1,382.39 feet to the southern line of Featherbed lane.

3d. Thence westerly along the southern line of Featherbed lane for 50.51 feet.

4th. Thence southwesterly for 1,332.47 feet to the point of beginning.

Plimpton avenue is designated as a street of the first class, and is shown on section 15 of the Final Maps and Profiles of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York, filed in the office of the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York on December 16, 1895; in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York on December 17, 1895; and in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York on October 29, 1897.

Dated NEW YORK, October 29, 1897.
FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation,
No. 2 Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands and premises required for the opening, extending and widening of BURNSIDE AVENUE (although not yet named by proper authority), between Tremont avenue and East One Hundred and Seventy-eighth street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road.

PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES IN SUCH cases made and provided, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held at Part III, thereof, in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on Thursday, the 11th day of November, 1897, at the opening of the Court on 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 acquisition of title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, for the use of the public, to all the lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, required for the opening, extending and widening of a certain street or avenue known as Burnside avenue, between Tremont avenue and East One Hundred and Eighty-eighth street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, being the following-described lots, pieces or parcels of land, viz.:

Beginning at the point of compound curvature between two curves of 40 feet and 360 feet, respectively, in the easterly line of the public place bounded by Ryer avenue, Tremont avenue and Burnside avenue.

1st. Thence northerly curving to the left on the arc of a circle of 360 feet radius along the easterly line of said public place for 270.64 feet.

2d. Thence northerly and still along the easterly line of said public place for 198.68 feet to the western line of Burnside avenue (as legally opened May 12, 1887).

3d. Thence southerly along the western line of said Burnside avenue, curving to the right on the arc of a circle of 38 feet radius, for 14.01 feet.

4th. Thence southerly curving to the right on the arc of a circle of 450 feet radius, for 464.64 feet, to the point of beginning.

Burnside avenue is designated as a street of the first class, and is shown on section 14 of the Final Maps and Profiles of the City of New York, filed as follows: In the office of the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York on December 16, 1895; in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York on December 17, 1895; and in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York on December 17, 1895.

Dated NEW YORK, October 29, 1897.
FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation,
No. 2 Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to EAST ONE HUNDRED AND NINETY-SIXTH STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from Jerome avenue to Marion avenue, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road.

PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES IN SUCH cases made and provided, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held at Part III, thereof, in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on Thursday, the 11th day of November, 1897, at the opening of the Court on 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 acquisition of title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, for the use of the public, to all the lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, required for the opening of a certain street or avenue known as East One Hundred and Ninety-sixth street, from Jerome avenue to Marion avenue, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York,

being the following-described lots, pieces or parcels of land, viz.:

PARCEL "A."
Beginning at a point in the western line of Morris avenue distant 645.31 feet northerly from the intersection of the western line of Morris avenue with the northern line of Kingsbridge road.

1st. Thence northerly along the western line of Morris avenue for 60.52 feet.

2d. Thence westerly deflecting 97 degrees 30 minutes 13 seconds to the left for 267.90 feet to the eastern line of Jerome avenue.

3d. Thence southerly along the eastern line of Jerome avenue for 60 feet.

4th. Thence easterly for 260 feet to the point of beginning.

PARCEL "B."
Beginning at a point in the eastern line of Morris avenue distant 645.81 feet northerly from the intersection of the eastern line of Morris avenue with the northern line of Kingsbridge road.

1st. Thence northerly along the eastern line of Morris avenue for 60.54 feet.

2d. Thence easterly deflecting 82 degrees 18 minutes 45 seconds to the right for 504.53 feet to the western line of the Grand Boulevard and Concourse.

3d. Thence southerly along the western line of the Grand Boulevard and Concourse for 60.07 feet.

4th. Thence westerly for 513.19 feet to the point of beginning.

PARCEL "C."
Beginning at a point in the western line of Bainbridge avenue distant 851.05 feet southerly from the intersection of the western line of Bainbridge avenue with the southern line of East One Hundred and Ninety-eighth street.

1st. Thence southerly along the western line of Bainbridge avenue for 60 feet.

2d. Thence westerly deflecting 89 degrees 48 minutes 40 seconds to the right for 436.05 feet.

3d. Thence still westerly deflecting 8 degrees 9 minutes 20 seconds to the left for 56.36 feet.

4th. Thence still westerly deflecting 1 degree 10 minutes 2 seconds to the left for 244.39 feet to the easterly line of the Grand Boulevard and Concourse.

5th. Thence northerly along the westerly line of the Grand Boulevard and Concourse for 60.07 feet.

6th. Thence easterly deflecting 87 degrees 13 minutes 43 seconds to the right for 249.31 feet.

7th. Thence still easterly deflecting 1 degree 36 minutes 53 seconds to the right for 60.31 feet.

8th. Thence still easterly for 438.84 feet to the point of beginning.

PARCEL "D."
Beginning at a point on the eastern line of Bainbridge avenue distant 836.21 feet southerly from the intersection of the eastern line of Bainbridge avenue with the southern line of East One Hundred and Ninety-eighth street.

1st. Thence southerly along the eastern line of Bainbridge avenue for 60 feet.

2d. Thence easterly deflecting 90 degrees 11 minutes 20 seconds to the left for 226.90 feet.

3d. Thence still easterly deflecting 14 degrees 39 minutes 20 seconds to the right for 140.59 feet to the western line of Marion avenue.

4th. Thence northerly along the western line of Marion avenue for 60 feet.

5th. Thence westerly deflecting 90 degrees to the left for 148.31 feet.

6th. Thence still westerly for 234.41 feet to the point of beginning.

East One Hundred and Ninety-sixth street is designated as a street of the first class, and is shown on sections 17 and 20 of the Final Maps and Profiles of the City of New York, filed as follows: In the office of the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York, section 17 on December 27, 1895, and section 20 on December 16, 1895; in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York, section 17 on December 29, 1895, and section 20 on December 17, 1895; in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York, section 17 on December 28, 1895, and section 20 on December 18, 1895.

Dated NEW YORK, October 29, 1897.
FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation,
No. 2 Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Education, by the Counsel to the Corporation of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to certain lands on COLUMBINE STREET, MONROE AND JACKSON AVENUES, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of said city, duly selected and approved by said Board as a site for school purposes, under and in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMISSIONERS of Estimate in the above-entitled matter, appointed pursuant to the provisions of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888 and the various statutes amendatory thereof, hereby give notice to the owner or owners, lessee or lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises, title to which is sought to be acquired in this proceeding, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First—That we have completed our estimate of the loss and damage to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons interested in the lands or premises affected by this proceeding, or having any interest therein, and have filed a true report or transcript of such estimate in the office of the Board of Education for the inspection of whomsoever it may concern.

Second—That all parties or persons whose rights may be affected by the said estimate, and who may object to the same, or any part thereof, may, within ten days after the first publication of this notice, October 26, 1897, file their objections to such estimate, in writing, with us, at our office, Room No. 2, on the fourth floor of the Staats-Zeitung Building, No. 2 Tryon Row, in said city, as provided by section 4 of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting, at our said office, on the 8th day of November, 1897, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, and upon such subsequent days as may be found necessary.

Third—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term thereof, to be held at Part III, in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 16th day of November, 1897, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated NEW YORK, October 25, 1897.
BANKSON T. MORGAN, JAMES S. ALLEN,
PIERRE V. B. HOES, Commissioners.
JOSEPH M. SCHENCK, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Education, by the Counsel to the Corporation of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to certain lands on the SOUTHERLY SIDE OF ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SIXTH STREET, between Second and Third avenues, in the Twelfth Ward of said city, duly selected and approved by said Board as a site for school purposes, under and in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMISSIONERS of Estimate in the above-entitled matter, appointed pursuant to the provisions of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888 and the various statutes amendatory thereof, hereby give notice to the owner or owners, lessee or lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises, title to which is sought to be acquired in this proceeding, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First—We have completed our estimate of the loss and damage to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons interested in the lands or premises affected by this proceeding, or having any interest therein, and have filed a true report or transcript of such estimate in the office of the Board of Education for the inspection of whomsoever it may concern.

Second—That all parties or persons whose rights will be affected by the said estimate, and who may object to the same, or any part thereof, may, within ten days after the first publication of this notice, October 26, 1897, file their objections to such estimate, in writing, with us, at our office, Room No. 2, on the fourth floor of the Staats-Zeitung Building, No. 2 Tryon Row, in said city, as provided by section 4 of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting, at our said office, on the 8th day of November, 1897, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, and upon such subsequent days as may be found necessary.

Third—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term thereof, to be held at Part III, in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 16th day of November, 1897, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated NEW YORK, October 25, 1897.
EDWARD L. PARKIS, JOHN H. ROGAN,
HERMAN W. VANDERPOEL, Commissioners.
JOSEPH M. SCHENCK, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, by the Counsel to the Corporation, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to all such real estate, and to any right, title or interest therein not owned by the said The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, which shall be embraced within the lines of the approach and entrance to the GRAND BOULEVARD AND CONCOURSE, as laid out and established by the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 57 of the Laws of 1896, as amended by chapter 679 of the Laws of 1897.

PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 57 OF THE LAWS of 1896, as amended by chapter 679 of the Laws of 1897, and the statutes in such cases made and provided, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, to be held at Part III thereof, in the County Court-house in the City of New York, on Thursday, the 4th day of November, 1897, at the opening of the Court on 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 acquisition of title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, for the use of the public, to all the lands and premises, with the buildings thereon, and the appurtenances thereto belonging, and to any right, title or interest therein not owned by the said The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, required for an approach and entrance to the Grand Boulevard and Concourse, as laid out and established by the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 57 of the Laws of 1896, as amended by chapter 679 of the Laws of 1897, being the following-described lots, pieces or parcels of land, viz.:

PARCEL "A."
Beginning at a point in the southern line of East One Hundred and Sixty-first street, distant six hundred and fifty-six and fifty-two one-hundredths feet easterly from the intersection of the southern line of East One Hundred and Sixty-first street with the eastern line of Jerome avenue.

1. Thence easterly along the southern line of East One Hundred and Sixty-first street for one hundred and seventy-six and forty-three one-hundredths feet.

2. Thence southwesterly curving to the left on the arc of a circle whose radius drawn southerly from the eastern extremity of the preceding course forms an angle of sixty-six degrees nine minutes and fifty-one seconds with the eastern prolongation of said course; and whose radius is one thousand four hundred and twenty and seventy-two one-hundredths feet for eight hundred and eleven and three one-hundredths feet to the eastern line of the land acquired for the Jerome avenue approach to the central bridge over the Harlem river.

3. Thence northeasterly along the eastern line of said land for four hundred and forty-nine and forty-three one-hundredths feet.

4. Thence southerly on the prolongation of the radius of the preceding course drawn through its northern extremity for sixty feet.

5. Thence easterly curving to the right on the arc of a circle of one thousand five hundred and seventy-two one-hundredths feet radius for two hundred and twenty-seven and twelve one-hundredths feet to the point of beginning.

PARCEL "B."
Beginning at a point in the northern line of East One Hundred and Sixty-first street, distant seven hundred and nineteen and twenty-one one-hundredths feet easterly from the intersection of the northern line of East One Hundred and Sixty-first street with the eastern line of Jerome avenue.

1. Thence easterly along the northern line of East One Hundred and Sixty-first street for four hundred and thirty-three and sixty-seven one-hundredths feet to an angle point in said line.

2. Thence easterly along the northern line of East One Hundred and Sixty-first street for four hundred and sixty and twenty-seven one-hundredths feet to an angle point in said line.

3. Thence easterly along the northern line of East One Hundred and Sixty-first street for one hundred and fifty-five and fifty-four one-hundredths feet to an angle point in said line.

4. Thence northeasterly along the northern line of East One Hundred and Sixty-first street for seventy-one and thirty-nine one-hundredths feet to the western line of Walton avenue.

5. Thence northerly along the western line of Walton avenue for seventy-eight and eighty-four one-hundredths feet.

6. Thence westerly curving to the right on the arc of a circle tangent to the preceding course, whose radius is twenty-five feet, for thirty-eight and sixty-nine one-hundredths feet.

7. Thence westerly on a line tangent to the preceding course for eight hundred and thirty-two and fifty-four one-hundredths feet.

8. Thence westerly, curving to the left on the arc of a circle, tangent to the preceding course whose radius is one thousand five hundred and seventy-two one-hundredths feet for two hundred and twenty-eight and sixty-eight one-hundredths feet to the point of beginning.

PARCEL "C."
Beginning at the intersection of the northern line of East One Hundred and Sixty-first street with the eastern line of Walton avenue.

1. Thence northerly along the eastern line of Walton avenue for two hundred and fifty-seven and seventy-eight one-hundredths feet.

2. Thence northerly deflecting thirty-nine minutes and fifty-five seconds to the right for forty-four and seventy-eight one-hundredths feet.

3. Thence northerly deflecting two degrees fourteen minutes and twenty-nine seconds to the right, for ninety-nine and ninety-six one-hundredths feet.

4. Thence northerly deflecting twelve minutes and thirteen seconds to the left for one hundred and twenty-one and thirty-five one-hundredths feet.

5. Thence northerly deflecting five minutes and twenty-eight seconds to the left for one hundred and fourteen one-hundredths feet.

6. Thence northeasterly deflecting fifteen degrees eighteen minutes and fifty-three seconds to the right for eighty-seven and thirty-five one-hundredths feet.

7. Thence northeasterly deflecting eight degrees thirty-seven minutes and forty-seven seconds to the right for one hundred and forty-three and ninety-six one-hundredths feet.

8. Thence southeasterly deflecting eighty-four degrees twenty-two minutes and nineteen seconds to the right for thirty-seven and thirty-seven one-hundredths feet.

9. Thence southeasterly deflecting five degrees sixteen minutes and twenty-nine seconds to the right for one hundred and twenty-one and nine one-hundredths feet.

10. Thence southeasterly deflecting thirty-seven degrees fourteen minutes and fifty-eight seconds to the right for twenty-four and thirty-eight one-hundredths feet to the western line of the Grand Boulevard and Concourse.

11. Thence southerly deflecting twenty-five degrees twenty-two minutes and twenty-three seconds to the right and along the western line of the Grand Boulevard and Concourse for six hundred and ninety and eighty-one one-hundredths feet.

12. Thence southwesterly curving to the right on the arc of a circle of fifty feet radius tangent to the preceding course for seventy-eight and forty-one one-hundredths feet along the western line of the Grand Boulevard and Concourse to the northern line of East One Hundred and Sixty-first street.

13. Thence westerly along the northern line of East One Hundred and Sixty-first street for two hundred and twenty-six and sixty-four one-hundredths feet to the point of beginning.

PARCEL "D."
Beginning at the intersection of the eastern line of Walton avenue with the southern line of East One Hundred and Sixty-first street.

1. Thence northeasterly along the southern line of East One Hundred and Sixty-first street for seventy-two and eight one-hundredths feet.

2. Thence easterly and still along the southern line of East One Hundred and Sixty-first street for three hundred and twenty-three and forty-one one-hundredths feet to the western line of Mott avenue.

3. Thence southerly along the western line of Mott avenue for eighty-one and eighteen one-hundredths feet.

4. Thence westerly deflecting eighty-nine degrees fifty-five minutes and forty-six seconds to the right for three hundred and seventy-three and fifty-four one-hundredths feet to the eastern line of Walton avenue.

5. Thence northerly along the eastern line of Walton avenue for twenty and ninety-one one-hundredths feet to the point of beginning.

The approach and entrance to the Grand Boulevard and Concourse is shown on certain maps, plans and profiles made by the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York, and certified by the said Commissioner before a person authorized by law to take acknowledgments of deeds and conveyances, and filed, one copy thereof in the office of the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York on July 20, 1897, and one copy thereof in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York on July 23, 1897, and one copy thereof in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York on July 22, 1897, said copies being similar each to the others.

Dated, NEW YORK, October 22, 1897.
FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation,
No. 2 Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty 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 purpose of opening POTTER PLACE (although not yet named by proper authority), from Jerome avenue to Moshulu Parkway, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMISSIONERS 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 affected thereby, and having objections thereto, do present their said objections, in writing, to us at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in said city, on or before the 13th day of November, 1897, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week days next after the said 13th day of November, 1897, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days at 11 o'clock A. M.

Second—That the abstract of our said estimate and assessment, together with our damage and benefit maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents used by us in making our report, 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 said city, there to remain until the 15th day of November, 1897.

Third—That the limits of our assessment for benefit include all those lots, pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: On the north by the southerly side of East Two Hundred and Fifth street (or Erskine place) and Lisbon place, from Jerome avenue to Moshulu Parkway; on the south by the northerly side of East Two Hundred and Third street or Rockfield street and said northerly side produced from Jerome avenue to Moshulu Parkway; on the east by Moshulu Parkway and on the west by the easterly side of Jerome avenue, excepting from said area all streets, avenues and roads or portions thereof heretofore legally opened, as such area is shown upon our benefit maps deposited as aforesaid.

Fourth—That our report herein will be presented to a Special Term of the Supreme Court, Part III, of the State of New York, to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 6th day of December, 1897, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated NEW YORK, October 8, 1897.
QUINCY WARD BOESE, Chairman; JAMES J. MARTIN, GEO. DRAKE SMITH, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Education, by the Counsel to the Corporation of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to certain lands on DOMINICK, CLARK AND BROOME STREETS, in the Eighth Ward of said City, duly selected and approved by said Board as a site for school purposes, under and in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof.

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 191 OF THE LAWS of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held at Part III, thereof, in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 8th day of November, 1897, at the opening of the Court on that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate in the above-entitled matter.

The nature and extent of the improvement hereby intended is the acquisition of title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to certain lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, on Dominick, Clark and Broome streets, in the Eighth Ward of said City, in fee simple absolute, the same to be converted, appropriated and used to and for the purposes specified in said chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the

various statutes amendatory thereof, said property having been duly selected and approved by the Board of Education as a site for school purposes, under and in pursuance of the provisions of said chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof, being the following-described lots, pieces or parcels of land, namely:

All those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the Eighth Ward of the City of New York, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the corner formed by the intersection of the northern line of Broome street with the westerly line of Clark street; running thence westerly along said northern line of Broome street 104 feet and 2 inches; thence northerly nearly parallel with Clark street 84 feet and 6 inches; thence westerly parallel or nearly so with Broome street 49 feet and 6 inches; thence northerly nearly parallel with Clark street 84 feet to the southerly line of Dominick street; thence easterly along said southerly line of Dominick street 122 feet and 10 inches to the westerly line of Clark street; thence southerly along said westerly line of Clark street 168 feet and 9 inches to the point of place of beginning.

Dated New York, October 13, 1897.
FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation,
No. 2 Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York, to ascertain the loss and damage and compensation for the lands and premises laid out, taken, set apart and appropriated for a public field, place or park, including interest thereon, pursuant to the provisions of an act, entitled "An Act in relation to St. James place in the City of New York," being chapter 626 of the Laws of 1897.

PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES IN SUCH cases made and provided, and pursuant to chapter 626 of the Laws of 1897, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York at a Special Term of said Court to be held at Part III thereof, in the County Court House, in the City of New York on the 15th day of November, 1897, at the opening of the court on that day or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate in the above-entitled matter. The above-entitled proceeding is for the purpose of ascertaining the loss and damage and compensation, including interest thereon, for the lands and premises taken for a public field, place or park, pursuant to said chapter 626 of the Laws of 1897. The said lands and premises are bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the easterly side of Jerome avenue where the northerly boundary line of the premises now owned, used and occupied by the Episcopal Church of Saint James intersects the same, about two hundred and ninety-six and twenty-five hundredths feet northerly of East One Hundred and Ninetieth street, as laid out; thence running northerly along the easterly side of Jerome avenue to a point on the easterly side thereof, which is four hundred and twenty-five feet north of the northerly line of East One Hundred and Ninety-second street, as laid out; thence running easterly and parallel to the northerly side of East One Hundred and Ninety-second street to the westerly side of Creston avenue as laid out; thence southerly along the westerly side of Creston avenue to the northerly side of East One Hundred and Ninety-first street, as laid out; thence westerly along the northerly side of East One Hundred and Ninety-first street to the westerly side of Kirkside or Morris avenue as laid out; thence southerly along the westerly side of Kirkside or Morris avenue to the northerly boundary-line of premises owned and occupied by the Episcopal Church of Saint James, and thence westerly along said last-mentioned boundary line to the easterly side of Jerome avenue to the point of place of beginning.

And as shown on three similar maps entitled "Map of plan of Saint James place, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, authorized and laid out in pursuance of chapter 626 of the Laws of 1897," and filed, one in the office of the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards on the 4th day of September, 1897; one in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York on the 6th day of September, 1897, and one in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York on the 12th day of September, 1897.

Dated New York, October 20, 1897.
FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation,
No. 2 Tryon Row, New York, N. Y.

NOTICE OF FILING THE ESTIMATE OF DAMAGE AND OF MOTION TO CONFIRM THE FIRST PARTIAL AND SEPARATE REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF ESTIMATE AND ASSESSMENT; TOGETHER WITH THE PROPOSED AREA OF ASSESSMENT.

In the matter of the application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality 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 purpose of opening TREMONT AVENUE (although not yet named by proper authority), from the New York and Harlem Railroad to the Transverse road under the Grand Boulevard and Concourse, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMISSIONERS 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 affected thereby, and having objections thereto, do present their said objections in writing, to us at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in said city, on or before the 11th day of November, 1897, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week days next after the said 11th day of November, 1897, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days at 3 o'clock P. M.

Second—That the abstract of our said estimate, together with our damage maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents used by us in making our said estimate, 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 said city, there to remain until the 26th day of November, 1897.

Third—That we propose to assess for benefit, which assessment will appear in our last partial and separate abstract of estimate and assessment, and will be contained in our last partial and separate report, all those lots, pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: On the north by the middle line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Seventy-eighth street and East One Hundred and Seventy-ninth street, from Third avenue to Park avenue and by the middle line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Eighty-first street and East One Hundred and Eighty-second street, from Park avenue to Morris avenue, and by the northerly side of Cameron place, from Morris avenue to Jerome avenue; on the south by the middle line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street and East One Hundred and Seventy-sixth street, from Third avenue to Park avenue, and by the middle line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Seventy-fourth street and East One Hundred and Seventy-third street, from Park avenue to Eden avenue, thence on a straight line to the middle line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Seventy-fourth street and Belmont street, thence along the middle line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Seventy-fourth street and Belmont street to Jerome avenue; on the east by Park avenue, from the middle line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Eighty-first street and East One Hundred and Eighty-

second street to the middle line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Seventy-eighth street and East One Hundred and Seventy-ninth street, and by Third avenue, from the middle line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Seventy-eighth street and East One Hundred and Seventy-ninth street to the middle line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Seventy-sixth street and East One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street, and by Park avenue, from the middle line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Seventy-sixth street and East One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street to the middle line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Seventy-fourth street and East One Hundred and Seventy-third street, and on the west by Jerome avenue, as such streets are shown upon the Final Maps of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City and County of New York; excepting from said area all streets, avenues and roads, or portions thereof heretofore legally opened, as such area is shown upon our benefit maps deposited as aforesaid.

Fourth—That our first partial and separate report herein will be presented to a Special Term of the Supreme Court, Part III, of the State of New York, to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 6th day of December, 1897, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, October 29, 1897.
STEPHEN B. STANTON, Chairman; JOHN J. NEVILLE, FRANK ADAMS ACER, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to RYER AVENUE (although not yet named by proper authority), from Tremont avenue to Burnside avenue, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road.

PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES IN SUCH cases made and provided, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held at Part III thereof, in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on Thursday, the 4th day of November, 1897, at the opening of the Court on 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 acquisition of title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York, for the use of the public, to all the lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, required for the opening of a certain street or avenue known as Ryer avenue, from Tremont avenue to Burnside avenue, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, being the following-described lots, pieces or parcels of land, viz.:

Beginning at a point in the northern line of Tremont avenue distant 210.66 feet easterly from the intersection of the northern line of Tremont avenue with the eastern line of Anthony avenue.

1st. Thence easterly along the northern line of Tremont avenue for 121.90 feet.

2d. Thence northerly curving to the right on the arc of a circle of 40 feet radius, tangent to the preceding course, for 42.45 feet.

3d. Thence northerly on a line tangent to the preceding course for 66.10 feet.

4th. Thence northeasterly curving to the right on the arc of a circle of 35.75 feet radius, tangent to the preceding course for 73.20 feet to the southern line of Burnside avenue.

5th. Thence southwesterly along the southern line of Burnside avenue on the arc of a circle of 37.62 feet radius for 70.77 feet.

6th. Thence westerly along the southern line of Burnside avenue for 58.50 feet.

7th. Thence southerly deflecting 99 degrees 32 minutes 55 seconds to the left for 66.04 feet.

8th. Thence southwesterly curving to the right on the arc of a circle of 40 feet radius, tangent to the preceding course for 61.48 feet to the point of beginning.

And is shown on section 14 of the Final Maps and Profiles of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York, filed as follows: In the office of the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York on December 16, 1895, in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York on December 17, 1895, and in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York on December 17, 1895.

Dated New York, October 22, 1897.
FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation,
No. 2 Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality 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 purpose of opening HOME STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from Westchester avenue to Intervale avenue, and to the lands and premises required for the widening of the junction of Home street, Intervale avenue, East One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street and Tiffany street, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMISSIONERS 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 affected thereby, and having objections thereto, do present their said objections in writing, to us at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in said city, on or before the 11th day of November, 1897, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week days next after the said 11th day of November, 1897, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days at 3:30 o'clock P. M.

Second—That the abstract of our said estimate and assessment, together with our damage and benefit maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents used by us in making our report, 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 said city, there to remain until the 26th day of November, 1897.

Third—That the limits of our assessment for benefit include all those lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: On the north by the southerly side of Freeman street, from Prospect avenue to the middle line of the block between Fox street and the Southern Boulevard, and by the middle line of the blocks between Home street and Freeman street, from the middle line of the block between Fox street and the Southern Boulevard to Westchester avenue; on the south by the northerly side of East One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street, from Prospect avenue to the middle line of the block between Fox street and the Southern Boulevard, and by the middle line of the blocks between Home street and East One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street from the middle line of the blocks between Fox street and the Southern Boulevard to Westchester avenue; on the east by Westchester avenue and on the west by Prospect avenue; excepting from said area all streets, avenues and roads or portions thereof heretofore legally opened, as such area is shown upon our benefit maps deposited as aforesaid.

Fourth—That our report herein will be presented to a Special Term of the Supreme Court, Part III, of the State of New York, to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 16th day of December, 1897, at the opening of the court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, October 5, 1897.
J. A. BEALL, Chairman; WINTHROP PARKER, CHAS. SCHWICK, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality 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 purpose of opening EAST ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIRST STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from Union avenue to Prospect avenue, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York.

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, at a Special Term thereof, Part I, to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house in the City of New York, on the 8th day of November, 1897, 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 City and County of New York, there to remain for and during the space of ten days, as required by law.

Dated New York, October 22, 1897.
J. PHILIP BERG, GEO. CHAPPELL, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality 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 purpose of opening EAST ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVENTH STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from the Grand Boulevard and Concourse to Marion avenue, and also to STEPHENS PLACE (although not yet named by proper authority), from East One Hundred and Eighty-seventh street to East One Hundred and Eighty-ninth street, as the same have been heretofore laid out and designated as first-class streets or roads, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 29th day of September, 1897, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, 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 the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality 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 City and County of New York on the 18th day of October, 1897, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue, so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, 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 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the 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, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 22d day of November, 1897, 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 claimants or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York.

Dated New York, October 28, 1897.
CLIFFORD W. HARTRIDGE, DANIEL F. SHEEHAN, JOHN M. DELMOUR, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to EAST ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-NINTH STREET, from Webster avenue to Third avenue, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, under chapter 211 of the Laws of 1897 (although not yet named by proper authority), as the same has been laid out and designated as a first-class street or road.

PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES IN SUCH cases made and provided, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held at Part III thereof, in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 12th day of November, 1897, at the opening of the Court on 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 acquisition of title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York, for the use of the public, to all the lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, required for the opening of a certain street or avenue known as East One Hundred and Eighty-ninth street, from Webster avenue to Third avenue, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, being the following-described lots, pieces or parcels of land:

PARCEL A.
Beginning at a point in the eastern line of Webster avenue distant 373.14 feet northerly from the intersection of the eastern line of Webster avenue with the northern line of East One Hundred and Eighty-seventh street.

1st. Thence northeasterly along the eastern line of Webster avenue for 80.3 feet.

2d. Thence southeasterly deflecting 85 degrees 13 minutes 19 seconds to the right for 231.50 feet to the western line of Park avenue (legally opened as Vanderbilt avenue, West).

3d. Thence southwesterly along the western line of said Park avenue for 80.18 feet.

4th. Thence northwesterly for 242.56 feet to the point of beginning.

PARCEL B.
Beginning at a point in the western line of Park

avenue (legally opened as Vanderbilt avenue, East), distant 348.65 feet northeasterly from the intersection of the western line of said Park avenue with the northern line of East One Hundred and Eighty-seventh street.

1st. Thence northeasterly along the western line of said Park avenue for 80.18 feet.

2d. Thence northwesterly deflecting 86 degrees 9 minutes 41 seconds to the left for 66.15 feet to the eastern line of Park avenue (legally opened as Vanderbilt avenue, West).

3d. Thence southwesterly along the eastern line of said Park avenue for 80.18 feet.

4th. Thence southeasterly for 66.15 feet to the point of beginning.

PARCEL C.
Beginning at a point in the eastern line of Park avenue (legally opened as Vanderbilt avenue, East), distant 357.61 feet northeasterly from the intersection of the eastern line of said Park avenue with the northern line of East One Hundred and Eighty-seventh street.

1st. Thence northeasterly along the eastern line of said Park avenue for 80.18 feet.

2d. Thence southeasterly deflecting 93 degrees 50 minutes 19 seconds to the right for 165.86 feet to the western line of Third avenue.

3d. Thence southerly along the western line of Third avenue for 95.62 feet.

4th. Thence northwesterly for 212.87 feet to the point of beginning.

East One Hundred and Eighty-ninth street, from Webster avenue to Third avenue, is designated as a street of the first class, and is shown on certain maps, entitled "Map or Plan and Profile showing amendment of sections 13 and 17 of the Final Maps and Profiles of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, by extending East One Hundred and Eighty-ninth street, from Webster avenue to Third avenue, authorized and directed by chapter 211 of the Laws of 1897," filed in the office of the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards on June 12, 1897; in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York on July 13, 1897, and in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York on July 14, 1897.

Dated New York, October 30, 1897.
FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation,
No. 2 Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Education, by the Counsel to the Corporation of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York, to certain lands in the block bounded by GANSEVOORT, HUDSON, HORATIO and WEST FOURTH STREETS, in the Ninth Ward of said city, duly selected and approved by said Board as a site for school purposes, under and in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMISSIONERS of Estimate in the above-entitled matter, appointed pursuant to the provisions of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888 and the various statutes amendatory thereof, hereby give notice to the owner or owners, lessee or lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises, title to which is sought to be acquired in this proceeding, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First—That we have completed our estimate of the loss and damage to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons interested in the lands or premises affected by this proceeding, or having any interest therein, and have filed a true report or transcript of such estimate in the office of the Board of Education for the inspection of whomsoever it may concern.

Second—That all parties or persons whose rights may be affected by the said estimate, and who may object to the same, or any part thereof, may, within ten days after the first publication of this notice, October 29, 1897, file their objections to such estimate, in writing, with us, at our office, Room No. 2, on the fourth floor of the Staats-Zeitung Building, No. 2 Tryon Row, in said city, as provided by section 4 of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888 and the various statutes amendatory thereof, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting at our said office, on the 12th day of November, 1897, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, and upon such subsequent days as may be found necessary.

Third—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term thereof, to be held at Part III, in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 16th day of November, 1897, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, October 28, 1897.
BANKSON T. MORGAN, WALTER B. BROWN, MICHAEL J. KELLY, Commissioners.
JOSEPH M. SCHENCK, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Education, by the Counsel to the Corporation of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York to certain lands at the SOUTHWESTERLY CORNER OF ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-FIFTH STREET AND COLLEGE AVENUE in the Twenty-third Ward of said city, duly selected and approved by said Board as a site for school purposes, under and in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof.

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held at Part III thereof, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 8th day of November, 1897, at the opening of the Court on that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate in the above-entitled matter.

The nature and extent of the improvement hereby intended is the acquisition of title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York to certain lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, at the southwesterly corner of One Hundred and Forty-fifth street and College avenue, in the Twenty-third Ward of said city, in fee simple absolute, the same to be converted, appropriated and used to and for the purposes specified in said chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof, said property having been duly selected and approved by the Board of Education as a site for school purposes, under and in pursuance of the provisions of said chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof, being the following-described lots, pieces or parcels of land, namely:

All those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the corner formed by the intersection of the southwesterly line of One Hundred and Forty-fifth street with the northwesterly line of College avenue; running thence southwesterly along said northwesterly line of College avenue 125 feet; thence northwesterly parallel with One Hundred and Forty-fifth street 125 feet; thence northeasterly parallel with College avenue 125 feet to the southwesterly line of One Hundred and Forty-fifth street; thence southeasterly along said southwesterly line of One Hundred and Forty-fifth street 125 feet to the point of place of beginning.

Dated New York, October 13, 1897.
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