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### LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

#### BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

##### STATED SESSION.

MONDAY, January 14, 1884, }  
12 o'clock, M. }

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

##### PRESENT :

Hugh J. Grant, Temporary President.

##### ALDERMEN

Thomas Cleary,  
Robert E. De Lacy,  
Charles Dempsey,  
Michael Duffy,  
Patrick Farley,  
Frederick Finck,  
Ludolph A. Fullgraff,  
Henry W. Jaehne,

William P. Kirk,  
William H. Miller,  
Francis McCabe,  
Michael F. McLoughlin,  
Arthur J. McQuade,  
John C. O'Connor, Jr.,  
John O'Neil,

James Pearson,  
Charles H. Reilly,  
Thomas Rothman,  
Henry L. Sayles,  
Thomas Sheils,  
Charles B. Waite,  
Louis Wendel.

The Temporary President instructed the Clerk to call the roll of members, as provided in section 71, chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, when each member should announce his choice for President of the Board.

The roll of members was then called by the Clerk, as directed, with the following result :

For Alderman O'Neil—Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Farley, Jaehne, McQuade, and Reilly—6.  
For Alderman Kirk—Aldermen Dempsey, Duffy, Fullgraff, Grant, McCabe, McLoughlin, and Sheils—7.

For Alderman O'Connor—Alderman Finck, Miller, Pearson, Rothman, Sayles, Waite, and Wendel—7.

For Alderman Grant—Alderman Kirk—1.

For Alderman Finck—Alderman O'Connor—1.

For Alderman Jaehne—Alderman O'Neil—1.

The Temporary President announced that there was no choice for President.

Alderman Kirk moved that the Board proceed to ballot for a President, and upon two ballots being taken, if a President be not selected, that the Board then take a recess.

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

##### THE SECOND BALLOT

resulted as follows :

For Alderman O'Neil—Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Farley, Jaehne, McQuade, and Reilly—6.

For Alderman Kirk—Aldermen Dempsey, Duffy, Fullgraff, Grant, McCabe, McLoughlin, and Sheils—7.

For Alderman O'Connor—Aldermen Finck, Miller, Pearson, Rothman, Sayles, Waite, and Wendel—7.

For Alderman Grant—Alderman Kirk—1.

For Alderman Finck—Alderman O'Connor—1.

For Alderman Jaehne—Alderman O'Neil—1.

The Temporary President announced that there was no choice for President.

##### THE THIRD BALLOT

was taken, and resulted as follows :

For Alderman O'Neil—Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Farley, Jaehne, McQuade, and Reilly—6.

For Alderman Kirk—Aldermen Dempsey, Duffy, Fullgraff, Grant, McCabe, McLoughlin, and Sheils—7.

For Alderman O'Connor—Aldermen Finck, Miller, Pearson, Rothman, Sayles, Waite, and Wendel—7.

For Alderman Grant—Alderman Kirk—1.

For Alderman Finck—Alderman O'Connor—1.

For Alderman Jaehne—Alderman O'Neil—1.

The Temporary President announced that there was no choice for President.

Alderman O'Neil moved that the Board take a recess until Wednesday, the 16th instant, at 12 o'clock, M.

Alderman Waite moved, as an amendment, that the Board take a recess until Monday next, the 21st instant, at 12 o'clock, M.

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

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, on a division called by Alderman Kirk, viz. :

Affirmative—Aldermen Cleary, Farley, Jaehne, McQuade, O'Connor, Pearson, Rothman, Sayles, Waite, and Wendel—10.

Negative—Aldermen De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Kirk, Miller, McCabe, McLoughlin, O'Neil, Reilly, and Sheils—13.

Alderman O'Connor moved, as an amendment, that the Board take a recess until Saturday, the 19th instant, at 12 o'clock, M.

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

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, on a division called by Alderman Kirk, viz. :

Affirmative—Aldermen Cleary, Farley, Jaehne, McQuade, O'Connor, Pearson, Rothman, Sayles, Waite, and Wendel—10.

Negative—Aldermen De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Kirk, Miller, McCabe, McLoughlin, O'Neil, Reilly, and Sheils—13.

Alderman O'Connor moved that the Board take a recess until 8 o'clock P. M. on Wednesday next, the 16th instant.

Alderman Jaehne, as an amendment, moved that the Board take a recess until Tuesday, the 15th instant, at 8 o'clock P. M.

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

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, on a division called by Alderman Kirk, viz. :

Affirmative—Aldermen Cleary, Farley, Jaehne, McQuade, O'Connor, Pearson, Sayles, Waite, and Wendel—9.

Negative—Aldermen De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Kirk, Miller, McCabe, McLoughlin, O'Neil, Reilly, Rothman, and Sheils—14.

Alderman Jaehne moved that the Board take a recess until Tuesday, the 15th instant, at 4 o'clock, P. M.

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

Which was decided in the negative.

The President pro tem. then put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Alderman O'Neil to take a recess until 12, M., on Wednesday, the 16th instant.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, viz. :

Affirmative—Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Fullgraff, Grant, Jaehne, Kirk, Miller, McCabe, McLoughlin, McQuade, O'Neil, Reilly, Sayles, and Sheils—17.

Negative—Aldermen Farley, O'Connor, Pearson, Rothman, Waite, and Wendel—6.

And the President pro tem. announced that the Board had taken a recess until Wednesday, the 16th instant, at 12 o'clock, M.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk.

### DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

At a special meeting of the Board of Docks, held December 24, 1883.

Present—The full Board.

The Board met for the purpose of investigating the complaint made by the Board of Commissioners of Pilots, as to the illegal dumping of dredged material taken from Forty-sixth street, North river, on the night of December 6, 1883.

Captain Joseph Conway appeared as the representative of the Pilot Commissioners, and stated the substance of the complaint that the scows in tow of the tug "Scandinavian" had dumped the dredged material in the main ship channel at the entrance to the east channel, at about 7.30 P. M., on December 6th instant.

Mr. Charles Dubois and others appeared as the representatives of the contractor, Charles M. Pratt, and stated that, as they had not understood that the investigation was to take place at this time, they were not prepared with the witnesses which they desired to produce, and requested that the hearing be postponed on that account.

On motion, the further hearing in the matter was adjourned to Thursday, December 27, 1883, at 2 o'clock P. M.

JOHN T. CUMING, Secretary.

At a meeting of the Board of Docks, held December 26, 1883.

Present—The full Board.

The minutes of the meeting of the Board held December 19th instant were read and approved.

The following communications were received, read, and,

On motion, laid on the table to await action, as stated, to wit :

From John Keating and others—Requesting the Board to increase the rate of compensation paid to them. Laid over for consideration in executive session.

From Robinson Gill—Requesting permission to build a retaining wall and platform on piles between One Hundred and Sixth and One Hundred and Seventh streets, Harlem river. Referred to Commissioners Laimbeer and Voorhis.

From Lowther and Brother—Requesting permission to drive piles outside the present bulkhead, between Thirty-first and Thirty-second streets, East river, and to remove coal pockets, etc. Laid over for consideration in executive session.

From Engineer-in-Chief :

1st. Reporting the suspension of Acting Watchman Daniel Stone for being found asleep while on duty on December 20, instant. Laid over for consideration in executive session.

2d. Report on Secretary's Order No. 3211, as to the condition of Pier 14, East river.

3d. Report on Secretary's Order No. 3424, as to the condition of the bulkhead between Sixtieth and Sixty-first streets, East river. Referred to Commissioners Laimbeer and Voorhis.

The following communications were received, read, and,

On motion, placed on file, action being taken where necessary, as stated, to wit :

From Commissioners of the Sinking Fund—Inviting the Commissioners to attend a meeting to be held on Monday, 24th instant, at 2 o'clock P. M. The Commissioners having a previous engagement were unable to attend at the time mentioned, and their action in directing the Secretary to verbally notify the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of that fact, was approved.

From Comptroller of the City—Inclosing copies of communications from the Board of Health to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, dated September 5 and October 10, ultimo, in reference to premises at foot of Sixteenth street, East river, and requesting information in respect thereto from this Board. Secretary directed to prepare and transmit answer thereto.

From Department of Street Cleaning :

1st. In reference to the use of the dumping-boards at West Twelfth, Forty-seventh and Thirty-sixth streets, North river, by private parties. Secretary directed to reply thereto that collections were made for the use thereof.

2d. In reference to cleaning the bulkhead between Piers 52 and 53, East river.

From William O. Cloyes—Application for appointment to position as Superintendent of Machinery.

From St. John's Guild—Thanking the Commissioners for the berth given for the use of the Floating Hospital during the summer.

From John Norton & Sons—Application for permission to erect tally-house on Pier 13, East river. Permission granted, and Secretary directed to issue permit therefor when reported on by the Engineer-in-Chief as constructed in accordance with the rules.

From Thomas Ward—Requesting lease for a part of the bulkhead between Seventy-eighth and Seventy-ninth streets, North river.

From Engineer-in-Chief :

1st. Reporting in reference to crib bulkhead at One Hundred and Seventh street, Harlem river. Engineer-in-Chief to be directed to do the work at a cost not to exceed the amount limited by law, \$1,000, as heretofore ordered.

2d. Reporting amount of work done during the week ending December 22, 1883.

3d. Reporting that in the estimate No. 2, given by him under Contract No. 197, for dredging at Forty-sixth street, North river, he had not included the material taken therefrom on December 6th instant, and complained of by the Pilot Commissioners as not having been dumped in accordance with law.

4th. Report on Secretary's Order No. 3349, that he had fenced off Pier 44, East river.

5th. Report on Secretary's Order No. 3410, that the slip at West Twelfth street, North river, had been dredged, as directed by the Board.

6th. Report on Secretary's Order No. 3433, that he had repaired the spring-pile loose at Pier 55, East river.

From John M. Smith, Dock Master—Reporting that the sloop "Congress" had sunk in the slip between West Eleventh and Bethune streets, North river. Secretary directed to advise the Commissioners of Pilots in respect thereto, and request them to take the necessary action to have the same removed.

From George W. Wanmaker, Dock Master—Reporting that the tug-boat "Municipal" run into and damaged the outer end of Pier, old 42, North river, on December 24th instant. Engineer-in-Chief to be directed to examine and report thereon.

From Bernard Kenney, Dock Master—Reporting that the Department of Street Cleaning had dumped about sixty loads of dirt and snow on the Pier at Fifth street, East river. Secretary directed to request the Department of Street Cleaning to have the same removed.

The following communication from His Honor Mayor Edson, transmitting regulations for the admission of persons into the civil service of the City of New York, was received, read, and ordered to be placed on file :

MAYOR'S OFFICE,  
NEW YORK, December 19, 1883. }

To the Commissioners of Docks :

GENTLEMEN—Whereas, by section 8 of chapter 354 of the Laws of 1883, the Mayor of each city in this State having a population of fifty thousand or over, as shown by the last census, is authorized to prescribe such regulations for the admission of persons into the civil service of such city as may best promote the efficiency thereof, and ascertain the fitness of candidates in respect to character, knowledge and ability for the branch of the service into which they seek to enter.

Now, therefore, I do hereby prescribe the accompanying regulations for the admission of persons into the civil service of the City of New York, to take effect on the first day of January, 1884.

Witness my hand and official seal.

(Signed) FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

On motion of Commissioner Voorhis, the following resolution in relation thereto was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the communication from his Honor Mayor Edson, transmitting regulations for the admission of persons into the civil service of the City of New York be received and entered in full on the minutes, and that the Secretary be and hereby is directed to acknowledge the receipt of the same, and to express to his Honor the Mayor that this Board will co-operate with him in carrying out the provisions and requirements of the law.

Two communications from the Inman Steamship Company, transmitting policies of insurance, fourteen in number, and aggregating the sum of \$60,000, on the shed on Pier new 36, North river, and requesting the return to them of the old policies of insurance on the same premises, and also requesting that a formal release or waiver of all claim or interest in the same be made by this Department, was received, read and ordered to be placed on file.

On motion, the action of the President in directing the delivery of the old policies of insurance to the Steamship Company was approved, and the following preamble and resolution, offered by Commissioner Voorhis in relation thereto, was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, The Inman Steamship Company, limited, have heretofore, and on or about November 16, 1882, assigned, set over and transferred to this Department certain policies of insurance on the shed erected on Pier, new 36, North river, as collateral security for the performance of the covenants and conditions contained in the lease of the said pier to the said Steamship Company or lessees thereof; and

Whereas, The shed erected on the said pier was destroyed by fire on February 1, 1883, and the upper structure of the said pier having been repaired and a new shed erected thereon by the said Inman Steamship Company, the lessees thereof, in accordance with the provisions of the said lease, and the said lessees having delivered to, and this Board having accepted of, the new policies of insurance on the shed now erected on the said pier as security for the fulfillment of the covenants in said lease contained; and therefore,

Resolved, That this Board hereby releases and waives all right, interest, claim or demand in and to the following-described policies of insurance heretofore on or about November 16, 1882, assigned to this Department as collateral security as aforesaid, and to the moneys accrued or to accrue thereunder by reason of the loss occasioned as aforesaid by said fire:

Table with 3 columns: Policy No., Issued by, Amounts issued. Lists various insurance policies and their amounts.

and the Secretary be and is hereby directed to notify the said insurance companies of the action taken in respect to the same.

Mr. George DeForest Lord appeared before the Board on behalf of the Cunard Steamship Company, and was heard in respect to the lease of Pier, new 40, North River, to that Company; also in reference to the shed located on the bulkhead thereat. No action was taken by the Board in the matter.

Commissioner Voorhis, the Treasurer of the Board, presented, in duplicate, the monthly report or balance sheet for the month of November, 1883, which was received and read, and the Secretary directed to transmit the original to the Comptroller, and place the duplicate on file.

The Auditing Committee presented an audit of seventeen bills or claims amounting in the aggregate to the sum of \$7,712.02, which was accepted and adopted, and the Secretary directed to enter in full on the minutes as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Audit No., Bills or Claims, Amount. Lists audit items and their amounts.

On Construction Account. \$4,339 66

Table with 3 columns: Audit No., Bills or Claims, Amount. Lists audit items for Charles M. Pratt and Isaac J. Oliver.

On General Repairs Account. \$3,305 11

8282. Isaac J. Oliver, printing notices, etc. \$67 25

On Annual Expense Account. \$67 25

RECAPITULATION.

Summary table of audit items and total amounts.

(Signed), JOHN R. VOORHIS, Auditing Committee. WM. LAIMBEER, Committee.

NEW YORK, December 26, 1883.

On motion, the Secretary was directed to forward the said bills, together with proper requisitions for the amounts, to the Finance Department for payment.

The Treasurer of the Board, Commissioner Voorhis, presented his report of receipts for the week ending December 25th instant, which was received, read and ordered to be placed on file, and the Secretary directed to enter the same in full on the minutes, as follows:

Table with 6 columns: DATE, FROM WHOM, FOR WHAT, AMOUNT, TOTAL, DATE DEPOSITED. Lists receipts for 1883.

(Signed) JOHN R. VOORHIS, Treasurer.

On motion of President Stark, it was directed that a meeting of the Board in Executive Session, be held on Friday 28th instant, at 11 o'clock, A.M.

The following requisitions were read, and, On motion, approved.

Table with 3 columns: Register No., Description, Estimated cost. Lists requisitions for coal, lanterns, pine plank, stationery, spruce plank, and labor.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. CUMING, Secretary.

At a special meeting of the Board of Docks held December, 27, 1883, pursuant to adjournment from 24th instant.

Present—President Stark and Commissioner Voorhis.

Absent—Commissioner Laimbeer.

The Board met for the purpose of proceeding with the investigation of the charges made by the Commissioners of Pilots, that the dredged material taken from Forty-sixth street, North river, on December 6, 1883, had been unlawfully disposed of by being dumped in the bay.

There were present the following named parties, interested in the matter:

Captain Joseph Conway, on behalf of the Pilot Commissioners, and Captain Curren and Engineer Alexander, of the tug "Scandinavian"; Captain Bloodgood, of the tug "John T. Pratt"; Henry E. Dubois, Charles Dubois, and Edwin G. Davis, of counsel on behalf of the contractors.

Captain Conway stating that he desired to have the Pilot Commissioners also represented by counsel, on the hearing before the Board; it was,

On motion, ordered that the matter be adjourned to Thursday, January 3, 1884, at 1.30 o'clock P. M.

JOHN T. CUMING, Secretary.

At a special meeting of the Board of Docks held December 28, 1883.

Present—The full Board.

The communication from Lowther & Brother, in reference to repairing the bulkhead between Thirty-first and Thirty-second streets, East river, and requesting permission to remove the coal pockets from the premises between Thirtieth and Thirty-first streets, East river, on the same, was,

On motion, taken from the table and referred to Commissioners Laimbeer and Voorhis.

On motion, the Board adjourned to meet on Saturday, December 29, instant, at 11 o'clock A. M.

JOHN T. CUMING, Secretary.

At a special meeting of the Board of Docks held December 29, 1883, pursuant to adjournment.

Present—The full Board.

The Board met in Executive Session.

Commissioner Voorhis offered the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That notice be and hereby is given in compliance with the provisions of section 410 of the Laws of 1882, to William A. Leffingwell, Clerk in this Department, that this Board deem him incompetent for the proper and creditable performance of the duties assigned to and required of him, and that said William A. Leffingwell be and hereby is notified to appear before this Board at its office on Monday, the 31st instant, at one o'clock P. M., to show cause and make such explanation as he may desire to as to why he should not be removed from said position of Clerk in this Department.

Resolved, That notice be and hereby is given in compliance with the provisions of section 48 of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, to Edward Dickel, Clerk in this Department, that this Board deem him incompetent for the proper and creditable performance of the duties assigned to and required of him, and that said Edward Dickel be and hereby is notified to appear before this Board at its office on Monday, the 31st instant, at one o'clock P. M., to show cause and make such explanation as he may desire to as to why he should not be removed from said position of Clerk in this Department.

On motion, the Board adjourned to meet on Monday, 31st instant, at 11 o'clock A. M.

JOHN T. CUMING, Secretary.

At a special meeting of the Board of Docks, held December 31, 1883.

Present—The full Board.

The pay-rolls for the month of December, amounting in the aggregate to the sum of \$6,771.12, were approved and audited, and the Secretary directed to forward the same, together with proper requisitions for the amounts, to the Finance Department for payment.

The Board then went into Executive Session.

A communication from William A. Leffingwell, resigning his position as Clerk in the service of the Department, was received and ordered to be placed on file, and the resignation accepted.

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

Whereas, Notice was duly given to Edward Dickel, in accordance with the requirements of section 48, chapter 410, Laws of 1883, to appear and show cause, before this Board, at 1 o'clock P. M., this day, why he should not be removed from the position of Clerk, lately occupied by him, on the ground of his being incompetent for the proper and creditable performance of the duties assigned to and required of him; and

Whereas, The said Edward Dickel has offered no satisfactory explanation to the Board as to why it should not carry into effect his proposed removal from the said position of Clerk; therefore be it

Resolved, In pursuance of the powers vested in this Board, under the provisions of section 48 chapter 410, Laws of 1883, that Edward Dickel be and hereby is removed from the position of Clerk in this Department, to take effect from and after the date of the adoption hereof, and that the cause of such removal is incompetence on the part of said Edward Dickel to properly and creditably perform the duties appertaining to and required of said position of clerk.

Commissioner Voorhis also offered the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That Amzi Cook, Doorman, be and hereby is removed, to take effect from and after January 1, 1884.

Resolved, That Wm. Shedlock be and hereby is appointed Superintendent of Machinery, on and after January 1, 1884, at a compensation at the rate of \$1,500 per annum.

Resolved, That John W. Ingalls be and hereby is appointed Clerk, at a compensation at the rate of \$900 per annum, in place of William A. Leffingwell, resigned.

Resolved, That Bernard Garvey be and hereby is appointed Doorman and Watchman at the Offices of the Board, at a compensation of twenty cents per hour, in the place of Amzi Cook, removed.

Resolved, That George H. Laughlin, Jr., be and hereby is appointed Engrossing Clerk, from and after January 1, 1884, at a compensation at the rate of \$1,200 per annum.

Resolved, That Clerk James Weir be and hereby is designated as Apportionment Clerk on and after January 1, 1884, and that his compensation shall be and is fixed at the rate of \$1,800 per annum.

Resolved, That the compensation of Effingham V. Smith and John Hoope, Timekeepers, be and hereby is fixed, from and after January 1, 1884, at the rate of \$900 per annum.

Resolved, That Temporary Clerk Frederic Perry be and hereby is appointed Bookkeeper, on and after January 1, 1884, at a compensation at the rate of \$2,000 per annum.

Resolved, That Clerk Charles Miller, Jr., be and hereby is designated as Recording Clerk, compensation to be as at present established.

Resolved, That the compensation of John C. Donohue, Clerk to General Repairs Force, be and hereby is fixed, from and after January 1, 1884, at the rate of \$900 per annum.

Resolved, That the compensation of Edward G. Ames, Clerk, be and hereby is fixed, from and after January 1, 1884, at the rate of \$1,000 per annum.

Resolved, That the compensation of David H. Lane, Clerk, be and hereby is fixed, from and after January 1, 1884, at the rate of \$900 per annum, and designated as Clerk of Floating Property.

Resolved, That Temporary Clerk Geo. O. Beach be and hereby is designated as Clerk to the Treasurer at the compensation now established.

Resolved, That J. Frank Johnson be and hereby is appointed Leveler, at a compensation at the rate of \$900 per annum.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. CUMING, Secretary.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The Board of Police met on the 11th day of January, 1884.  
Present—Commissioners French, Nichols, Mason, and Matthews.  
Report of Surgeon A. W. Maclay, relative to condition of the Eleventh Precinct Station-house, was referred to the Chairman of the Committee on Repairs and Supplies, with power.  
Report of Captain McDonnell, Eighth Precinct, relative to the suspension of Patrolman John Layden, was ordered on file.

*Mask Ball Permits Granted.*

George Rode, at No. 139 Essex street. January 21.  
N. Balze, at No. 139 Essex street. January 12.  
James J. Duffy, at No. 210 Fifth street. February 5.  
Ernst Regelman, at No. 291 Bowery. January 15, 19, 21, 24, 26, 28, and 29.  
The following applications for promotion were referred to the Superintendent to cite for examination:

Patrolman Fredk. W. Martens, Sixteenth Precinct.  
Roundsman Wm. H. Saul, Twenty-seventh Precinct.  
Application of Sarah M. Babcock, widow of late Sergeant George C. Babcock, for pension, was referred to the Trustees of the Police Pension Fund.

Application of Mary M. O'Brien, widow of late Patrolman Patrick O'Brien, for sick pay for 1882, was referred to Commissioner Matthews.

Application of Captain H. Hedden, Thirty-second Precinct, for transfer, was ordered on file.

Communication from the Citizens' Savings Bank, giving notice that the services of Patrolman John Thoden will not be required after the 15th instant, was ordered on file.

Communication from P. Ruhlman & Co., complaining of refuse burning in Washington street, was referred to the Superintendent.

Communication from the Supervisor of the CITY RECORD, requesting certain information, was referred to the Chief Clerk to furnish.

Communication from the Commissioner of Street Cleaning, acknowledging receipt of complaint of E. B. Estes & Sons, was ordered on file.

Communication from A. S. Lazarno & Co., relative to snow and ice obstructions in Water street, was referred to the Chief Clerk to answer.

On report of Captain Berghold, it was

Resolved, That the pistol permit of Daniel Shea be and is hereby revoked.

Resolved, That the Surgeons respectively named, and the Board of Surgeons, be and are hereby directed to examine the following-named members of the force, and report as to their physical condition, with a view to retirement:

Patrolman John Musgrave, Fourth Precinct, by Surgeons Varian and Purroy.

Oliver V. Stewart, Eighteenth Precinct, by Surgeons Stewart and Waterman.

Resolved, That the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation be requested as to the power of the Board of Police to retire, in their discretion, any member of the force who shall have become, physically or mentally, disabled so as to be unfit for police duty, without at the same time granting a pension.

Resolved, That the President and Chief Clerk be authorized to confer with the Dock Department, relative to pier for the Police steamboat, with power.

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk be directed to confer with Joseph H. Goodwin relative to renewal of lease for Thirty-fifth Precinct Station-house and stable, and report.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be and is hereby directed to pay over to the Police Pension Fund, in pursuance of chapter 330 of the Laws of 1882, the sum of \$14,769.05, being the unexpended balance remaining to the credit of account of 1883, entitled "Police Fund—Salaries of Commissioners, Superintendent, Surgeons and all uniformed force," as per account—all aye.

Resolved, That the salary of Edmund C. Gay, Clerk, be and is hereby fixed at the rate of \$1,900 per annum, to take effect on the 15th instant.

*Promotion.*

Roundsman George C. Osborne, Twenty-second Precinct, to rank of Sergeant, Fifteenth Precinct.

*Transfers and Detail.*

Roundsman Judson Golden, Eighth Precinct to Eleventh Precinct.

Patrolman Henry W. Phillips, from Sixth Precinct to Thirty-fifth Precinct.

John Thoden, from Special Service Squad to Fourteenth Precinct, from 15th instant.

Francis Hogan, First Precinct, detailed at Register's office.

*Retired Officers.*

Patrolman James Youngs, Nineteenth Sub-Precinct, \$600 per year—all aye.

John Poppe, Ninth Precinct, \$350 per year—all aye.

Hugh Bruton, Eighteenth Precinct, \$600 per year—all aye.

Sergeant Lemuel S. Slater, Thirteenth Precinct, 800 per year—all aye.

Patrolman John M. Kilpatrick, Ninth Precinct—all aye.

Adjourned.

S. C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

The Board of Police met on the 12th day of January, 1884.  
Present—Commissioners French, Nichols, Mason, and Matthews.

*Leaves of Absence Granted.*

Roundsman John S. Waterman, Sixth Precinct, five days, without pay.

Patrolman William H. Rhodes, Fourth Precinct, one and one-half days, without pay.

David D. Groot, Eighth Precinct, thirty days, without pay.

The Superintendent submitted lists of leaves of absence granted by him pursuant to Rule 564, and resolutions of this Board, which were approved and ordered on file.

Report of Captain Bennett, Thirty-third Precinct, of the receipt of \$3 for sale of manure, was referred to the Treasurer to forward the amount to the City Chamberlain.

Application of Patrolman Charles H. Lancer, Eighteenth Precinct, for promotion to Second Grade, was referred to the Superintendent for report as to efficiency, etc.

Application of Patrolman John J. McNally, Fourteenth Precinct, for promotion, was referred to the Superintendent to cite for examination.

Application of Thomas F. Hyland, for appointment as Patrolman, was referred to Commissioner Mason.

Communication from the Mayor, requesting the appointment of a representative of this Board at conferences to be held at his office, was ordered on file, and the President requested to represent this Board.

Communication from the Mayor, recommending promotion of Patrolman Martin F. Conlin, Seventh Precinct, was referred to the Chief Clerk to answer.

Communication from Thomas J. McGrath, relative to cleaning the new First Precinct Station-house, was referred to the Chief Clerk to answer.

Resolved, That Patrolman James F. Vally, Twentieth Precinct, be granted permission to receive a reward of \$100 (subject to the deduction under the rule), from Warden Brush, Sing Sing Prison, for the arrest of an escaped convict.

On report of Captain Berghold, Twenty-seventh Precinct, it was

Resolved, That honorable mention be and is hereby made in the records of the Department of the meritorious conduct of Patrolman Dennis O'Hara, Twenty-seventh Precinct, in rescuing a woman and child from drowning at the foot of Pier No. 6, North river, at about 9 o'clock p. m., December 31, 1883; that the silver medal of the Department be awarded him, and that this resolution be suitably engrossed and presented to the said officer.

Resolved, That the Superintendent be directed to detail Patrolman Thomas Murphy, Seventeenth Precinct, to day duty, and report.

*Promotions.*

Detective Sergeant Thomas Lancer, Detective Squad, to rank of Sergeant in Thirteenth Precinct.

Patrolman Thomas Boyle, Twenty-second Precinct, to grade of Roundsman in Twenty-second Precinct.

*Retired Officer.*

Sergeant Charles U. Coombs, House of Detention—all aye.

Adjourned.

S. C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

APPROVED PAPERS.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Leo Schlessinger to retain the wall now erected in front of Nos. 1, 3 and 5 Jersey street, the said wall being built and does extend three (3) inches over the line granted to him by this Board and approved by his Honor the Mayor September 19, 1883.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 2, 1884.  
Approved by the Mayor, January 7, 1884.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Societe Culinaire Philanthropique to connect the Academy of Music and Irving Hall on the occasion of their annual ball, to be held on the 3d day of February, 1884, the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, such permission to continue only during the above-mentioned date.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 31, 1883.  
Approved by the Mayor, January 7, 1884.

Resolved, That Alexander B. Smith be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of John B. Toner, whose term of office expires January 12, 1884.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, before 12 M., January 7, 1884.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Daniel Dull to sink or drill a deep well, not less than seven and three-fourths inches in diameter, through and under the sidewalk on Greenwich avenue, in front of the property of and for Messrs. Tracy & Russell, brewers, located on the corner of Greenwich avenue and West Eleventh street, this city; also to occupy such space on said walk as will be necessary to erect a derrick and place a boiler and engine, and such gearing as may be required to prosecute the drilling of said well for a period of sixty days, more or less, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 31, 1883.  
Approved by the Mayor, January 9, 1884.

Resolved, That Westchester avenue, between the easterly curb-line of Prospect avenue and the westerly curb-line of the Southern Boulevard, be regulated and graded upon the established lines and grades, under the direction of the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 31, 1883.  
Approved by the Mayor, January 9, 1884.

Whereas, Resolutions were adopted by this Common Council January 9, and approved by the Mayor January 15, 1883, setting forth the imperative necessity for the extension of Mill Brook sewer northward in Webster avenue, from East One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street to East One Hundred and Eighty-fourth street, in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, and requesting the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks "to take such action as may be necessary to cause said sewer to be constructed as soon as possible"; and

Whereas, The early completion of said sewer is not only anxiously desired by the residents of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, but is absolutely needed for the preservation of the health of that portion of the city; be it therefore

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks be and they are hereby requested to inform this Board of Aldermen at its next meeting, what action has been taken by said Department in relation to the building of said sewer, what progress has been made by its engineers in the preparation of the plans therefor, how near completion said plans may be, and when, in the opinion of said Commissioners, the actual work of construction of said sewer will be begun.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 31, 1883.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, January 9, 1884, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 11, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the same became adopted.

Resolved, That Charles B. Waite be and he is hereby appointed as one of the Commissioners to consider a plan for the removal of the steam cars from the surface of the streets in this city, as recommended in a report of the Committee on Railroads, adopted by this Board, October 17, 1883, page 373 of the Journal.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 31, 1883.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, January 9, 1884, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 11, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the same became adopted.

Resolved, That, as provided in section 49 of chapter 335 of the Laws of 1873, this Common Council hereby approves and authorizes the location of a station-house, lodging-house and prison for the Twenty-eighth Precinct police, on the ground and premises belonging to the City of New York, on the north side of East Sixty-seventh street, one hundred and twenty feet west of Third avenue, being fifty feet in width, front and rear, and one hundred feet and five inches in depth on each side.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 31, 1883.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, January 9, 1884, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 11, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the same became adopted.

Whereas, This Board, on the 9th day of January last, appointed a Committee to take charge of the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the evacuation of New York by the British, and at the same time accepted the co-operation, in the proposed ceremonies, of the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York, and the New York Historical Society; and

Whereas, Under the joint direction of Committees appointed by this Board and the aforementioned societies, the anniversary was celebrated in a manner honorable and creditable to our city; therefore,

Resolved, That this Board, before its retirement from office, desire to place upon record their sense of the services rendered by the joint Committee, and in the name of the municipality and citizens of New York, now formally tender to these public spirited gentlemen hearty thanks.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 2, 1884.  
Approved by the Mayor, January 9, 1884.

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw a warrant in favor of Col. W. R. W. Chambers, Sergeant-at-Arms of the Board of Aldermen, for the sum of forty-three dollars and twenty-five cents in payment of the annexed bills for expenses incurred by the Special Committee appointed to receive the remains of John Howard Payne, the amount to be charged to the account of "City Contingencies."

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 5, 1884.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, January 9, 1884, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 11, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the same became adopted.

Resolved, That the permission given to Lawrence Carroll to place a show-case on Twenty-first street, near Sixth avenue, by resolution which became adopted December 31, 1873, be and the same is hereby annulled, rescinded and repealed.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 2, 1884.  
Approved by the Mayor, January 11, 1884.

Resolved, That the Commissioners for lighting this city, viz.: His Honor the Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Commissioner of Public Works, be and they are hereby respectfully, yet earnestly, requested to cause Tompkins Square to be lighted with electric lights.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 2, 1884.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, January 11, 1884, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 11, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the same became adopted.

Resolved, That the Commission for lighting this city be and is hereby requested to cause the Gansevoort or Farmers Market to be lighted with electric lights as soon as possible.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 5, 1884.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, January 11, 1884, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 11, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the same became adopted.





