

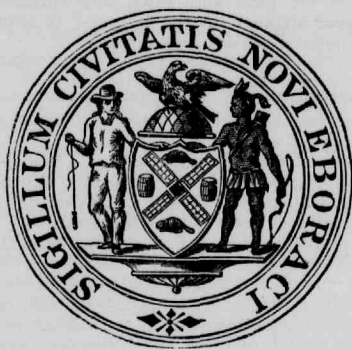
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LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

STATED SESSION.

TUESDAY, March 5, 1878,
2 o'clock P. M.

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

PRESENT:

Hon. William R. Roberts, President;
ALDERMEN

William Bennett,
Bernard Biglin,
Thomas Carroll,
Ferdinand Ehrhart,
Robert C. Foster,
William H. Gedney,
John W. Guntzer,

George Hall,
John W. Jacobus,
Patrick Keenan,
Terence Kiernan,
Samuel A. Lewis,
John J. Morris,
Henry C. Perley,

Lewis J. Phillips,
Joseph C. Pinckney,
Bryan Reilly,
William Sauer,
Thomas Sheils,
James J. Slevin,
Louis C. Waehner.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

INVITATIONS.

Invitation to attend the First Annual Commencement of the College of Veterinary Surgeons, Saturday, March 2, at 8 o'clock, Tremor Hall, Broadway and Thirty-second street. Which was ordered on file.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Alderman Hall—

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to M. Lubelsky to erect a post and place a sign thereon in front of his premises No. 75 Mott street; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

(G. O. 73.)

By Alderman Morris—

Resolved, That the Clerk of this Board be directed to immediately forward to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the Assembly of this State the following act:
AN ACT to provide for the location and erection of two brigade armories in the City and County of New York.

Section 1. The Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Commissioner of Public Works of the City of New York shall be and are hereby constituted Commissioners to locate two sites for suitable buildings to be known as Brigade Armories for the First Division of military of this city, in the place and stead of the buildings now used and occupied for that purpose in this city.

Sec. 2. Within ninety days after the passage of this act, the said Commissioners shall select and designate the land required for the purpose aforesaid in the following districts, namely: One on the west side of this city, between the westerly side of Sixth avenue and the easterly side of the Ninth avenue, and north of Bleecker street, and south of Thirty-fourth street; the other on the east side of this city, east of the Bowery and Third avenue, and west of Avenue A, and between Broome street on the south and Thirty-fourth street on the north.

Sec. 3. Within forty days after the filing of said notice, the said Commissioners shall apply by petition to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a special term thereof, to be held in and for the First Judicial Department, for the appointment of three Commissioners of Appraisal, whose duty it shall be to estimate and appraise the value of the land so designated and selected for the purpose aforesaid, and of the buildings and improvements thereon, and of all land and every subsisting estate, right, title, and interest of, in, and to said land or buildings, or any part thereof, and to estimate and appraise the damage resulting to the owner or owners, lessee or lessees, and all other persons interested in said land or buildings, or any part thereof, by, from, or by reason of the taking of the same for the purposes set forth in this act, or by reason of their relinquishing the same for the purpose aforesaid. Notice of such application for the appointment of Commissioners of Appraisal shall be published twice in each week for three weeks, in three of the public newspapers published in this city, which notice shall specify the time and place at which such application will be made, and shall contain a description of the property selected and designated by said Commissioners as hereinbefore provided.

Sec. 4. The said court shall, upon such application, after hearing the counsel for said Commissioners and such parties as may be interested as owners, lessees, or otherwise, in the lands or premises designated and selected as aforesaid, appoint three discreet persons, residents of this city, as Commissioners of Appraisal, for the purpose set forth in the third section of this act, such Commissioners of Appraisal shall forthwith, after their appointment, enter upon the discharge of their duties; they shall have power to administer oaths, examine and compel the attendance of witnesses, and to employ a clerk, surveyor, and such assistants as may be necessary in the discharge of their duty, and shall also have power, and they and their assistants are hereby authorized to enter in and upon the land and premises selected and designated as aforesaid, for the purposes of examining the same or making surveys thereof. The said Commissioners of Appraisal, or a majority of them, shall receive and consider the proofs and arguments of such owners, lessees, and parties in interest, and shall, within three months after their appointment, make a report to the said court, at a special term thereof, to be held in and for the said First Judicial Department, in and by which report they shall set forth the amount and amounts which shall be estimated and awarded by them as the value of the several parts, parcels, or portions of the lands and premises aforesaid, and of the buildings and improvements thereon, and the amount of the damage to the several owners, lessees, or other parties interested in such lands and premises as hereinbefore provided, and in which report they shall also specify the name or names of the said several owners, lessees, or other parties in interest, if the same shall have been ascertained by them, and if such names or any of them shall not have been ascertained by them, such facts shall be stated. The said Commissioners shall give notice of the presentation of their said report by publishing a notice specifying the time and place at which the same will be presented, twice in each week for three weeks, in not less than three newspapers published in this city.

Sec. 5. Upon the presentation of the report of such Commissioners of Appraisal the Court shall hear the parties interested therein as aforesaid, and if it shall appear to the Court that said Commissioners have performed and discharged the duties committed to them, the Court shall confirm the said report; or if it shall not so appear, may send the report back to said Commissioners for revision or correction, who shall again make a report to the Court in manner and form hereinbefore provided for in the first report. The Court shall confirm such second report if it shall appear that said Commissioners have discharged their duty according to law; or if it shall not so appear, shall again send back the same to said Commissioners, and the same procedure shall be repeated until a report shall be presented which the Court shall confirm. The Court shall have power to fill any vacancy that may exist among such Commissioners of Appraisal.

Sec. 6. The report of such Commissioners of Appraisal, when confirmed by the Court at such special term thereof, shall be final and conclusive in respect of all the matters therein contained against the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of this city, and against all parties interested in said lands or premises, and all persons whomsoever.

Sec. 7. At the expiration of thirty days after the confirmation of the report of such Commissioners of Appraisal, the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York shall become and be vested with the title in fee simple of all and singular the lands and premises selected and designated as aforesaid, and for which compensation shall have been awarded by such Commissioners of Appraisal, and of every estate, right, title, and interest in or to the same and every part thereof; and at the expiration of said thirty days, the several persons to whom such compensation shall have been awarded, shall be entitled to receive such award, and the Comptroller of this city shall pay the same to them respectively; and in case any award shall have been made for property, the owner or owners of which, or parties interested in which, shall not have been ascertained by the Commissioners of Appraisal, the Comptroller shall deposit the amount of such awards in the hands of the City Chamberlain of said city, to abide the order of said court in relation to the same.

Sec. 8. The Counsel to the Corporation of said city shall act as the counsel and adviser of the said Commissioners of Appraisal, and also of the Commissioners named in the first section of this act, and shall conduct the legal proceedings herein provided for; but he shall not be entitled to receive any extra compensation for any services so rendered under the provisions of this act.

Sec. 9. The Commissioner of Public Works shall have power to perform any act required to be performed by him under the provisions of this act; all contracts and agreements necessary for the execution of the provisions of this act shall be made by the said Commissioner of Public Works in the name and behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of this city, and as soon as the city is placed in possession of the lands mentioned in this act, the Commissioner of Public Works shall immediately have plans and specifications made out and advertise the same, contracts, for the work and materials required for the erection of these buildings, to be let in the same manner and with like effect as contracts for work and supplies are now by law made and let by the several departments of the city government.

Sec. 10. The Commissioner of Public Works shall erect suitable buildings for the purposes set forth in this act upon the lands to be acquired for that purpose, and he shall have the entire supervision and directions of the buildings and constructions of the same, and the fitting up thereof.

Sec. 11. And each of these buildings shall be so constructed that they shall contain suitable accommodation for the holding of a brigade of the First Division of the military of this city.

Sec. 12. Payments shall be made by the Comptroller of this city for the expenses of executing the provisions of this act, whether for the lands so taken or for the erection of said buildings, or otherwise, as hereinbefore set forth, and for the expenses of the Commissioners of Appraisal, clerk hire, and others authorized by this act, upon vouchers or certificates approved and signed by the Commissioner of Public Works.

Sec. 13. The expenses and salaries of the Commissioners of Appraisal, under section two of this act, and expenses and salaries of clerk and all others, under section four of this act, not to exceed twenty thousand dollars, and the Commissioners, under section one of this act, shall have power to name the salaries of the above-mentioned persons in these sections.

Sec. 14. All of said buildings and lands, as aforesaid, mentioned in this act, shall be the property of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Sec. 15. The Comptroller of this city is authorized and directed to issue from time to time and at such times as shall be necessary for the purpose of this act, either for payment for the land to be required, as hereinbefore provided, or otherwise as mentioned in this act, the bonds or stock of the City of New York, time to run not to exceed ten years, interest not to exceed 7 per cent. per annum, the proceeds whereof shall be applied to the purpose set forth in this act, and all provisions of law now existing in relation to the bonds or stock of the City of New York shall apply to the issue under this act.

Sec. 16. The Board of Estimate and Apportionment is authorized and directed to put in the "tax levy" for the year eighteen hundred and eighty, a sum not less than twenty per cent. of the whole amount required, including interest thereon, and a like amount every following year thereafter until the whole amount of this debt is paid off.

Sec. 17. The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of New York, or the Board of Aldermen of said city, shall levy and raise by tax for this purpose and annually thereafter, until these bonds or stock and interest authorized by this act is paid off.

Sec. 18. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 19. This act shall take effect immediately.

Which was laid over.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS AND CORPORATION OFFICERS.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the New York Board of Trade and Transportation:

NEW YORK BOARD OF TRADE AND TRANSPORTATION,
FORMERLY CHEAP TRANSPORTATION ASSOCIATION,
NEW YORK, March 4, 1878.

Hon. W. R. ROBERTS, President Board of Aldermen:

DEAR SIR—The accompanying draft of an ordinance designed to improve the terminal facilities of New York, by permitting the use of the Belt Line of railroad for freight cars, under certain restrictions, was approved and advocated before the Board last year by Committees from the principal commercial bodies, but it failed to pass.

We respectfully ask that you will have it again introduced at the next meeting of your Board, referred to the proper Committee, and an early day appointed to hear reasons why it should be passed.

AMBROSE SNOW,

President Board of Trade and Transportation.

DARWIN R. JAMES,

Secretary Board of Trade and Transportation.

SAM. D. BABCOCK,

President of the Chamber of Commerce.

GEORGE WILSON,

Secretary Chamber of Commerce.

WM. A. COLE,

President Produce Exchange.

WM. I. PHILLIPS,

Secretary Produce Exchange.

GEO. W. LANE,

President Importers and Grocers' Board of Trade.

WM. NEILSON,

Secretary Importers and Grocers' Board of Trade.

Resolved, That permission be and hereby is granted to the several railroads terminating at the port of New York, to draw, or cause to be drawn, their cars by the use of dummy engines furnished by the said railroads, or by the Central Park, North and East Rivers Railroad Company, as may be agreed upon, between the hours of nine o'clock in the evening and six o'clock in the morning, over the tracks of the Central Park, North and East Rivers Railroad Company (with the permission of said railroad company), to and from such points on the Hudson and East rivers as may be specified in the applications of the several railroad companies, and approved by this Board, subject to the terms, privileges, and restrictions now established by law and ordinance for the use of cars and dummy engines by the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company. Provided always, that the said Central Park, North and East River Railroads Company shall extend equal privileges of track and motive power to all railroads terminating at the port of New York upon equal terms and conditions. This permission shall not be construed to allow loaded or unloaded cars to stand on said track between the places specified in the privileges which may be granted.

Alderman Lewis moved to refer to the Committee on Law Department.

Alderman Biglin moved to refer to the Committees on Ferries and Docks and Railroads, to act jointly.

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

Which was decided in the negative.

The President then put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Alderman Lewis.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS RESUMED.

By Alderman Perley—

Whereas, Chapter 223, section 210 of the Laws of 1875, entitled "An act to amend an act to provide for the enrollment of the militia for the organization of the National Guard, and for the public defense, entitled the Military Code," expressly prescribes that the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York may, by resolution of said Board, "authorize the purchasing and leasing of lands, and the erection of buildings for armories and drill-rooms upon lands belonging to the City of New York, other than the public parks and squares of said city, and shall designate the land to be used for such purposes, and specify the sum appropriated therefor, which sum shall be inserted in the annual tax levy by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment;" and

Whereas, The law before named specifically charges the Board of Aldermen to authorize by a resolution of their Body the erection of armories, etc., as therein provided, and commands that whenever such a "resolution having the approval of a majority of said Board shall have been passed, and approved as aforesaid, the Department of Public Works is hereby authorized and directed to proceed with the work," and "that the Mayor of the City of New York, the President of the Board of Aldermen, the Commissioner of Public Works, and the Commandant of the First Division of the National Guard, shall together immediately take such proceedings as the law provides for carrying into effect the resolutions of this Body, selecting a site, and after having appropriated such sums of money as may be required to meet the expense and cost of erecting suitable buildings for armories in the City of New York for the military uses and purposes of the National Guard; therefore

Resolved, That the erection of a suitable building for a brigade armory and drill-rooms for the use and occupation for military purposes of the National Guard of the State of New York be and the same is hereby authorized; and the plot of ground or lands belonging to the City of New York, bounded by and situated between Sixty-seventh and Sixty-eighth streets, and Third and Lexington avenues, in the City of New York, be and the same hereby is designated as the lands to be used for such purposes and on which said buildings are to be erected; and in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 223, section 210 of the Laws of 1875, the sum of four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000) be and the same is hereby specified and appropriated for the purpose of erecting said buildings on the lands above designated.

Which was referred to the Committee on County Affairs.

By Alderman Foster—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to C. Beverforden to erect a sign on the outer edge of the curb in front of his premises No. 268 First avenue, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Bennett—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to George W. Winterburn, M. D., to erect an ornamental lamp, at his own expense, the post not to exceed the size prescribed by ordinance (the gas therefor to be furnished from his own meter), in front of building No. 28 East Fourteenth street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

Subsequently the above reference was reconsidered, and the resolution adopted.

By Alderman Morris—

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to place additional fire-hydrants, and connect them with the mains, in the following streets and avenues:

- Two in Thirteenth street, between University place and Broadway.
- Two in Fourteenth street, between University place and Fifth avenue.
- One in Fourteenth street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues.
- Two in Fourteenth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues.
- One in Fourteenth street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues.
- One in Fifteenth street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues.
- One in Tenth street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues.
- One in Twenty-third street, between Broadway and Sixth avenue.
- One in Twenty-third street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues.
- One in Twenty-third street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.
- One in Sixth avenue, between Eleventh and Twelfth streets.
- One in Sixth avenue, between Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets.
- One in Sixth avenue, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets.
- One in Sixth avenue, between Fifteenth and Sixteenth streets.
- One in Sixth avenue, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth streets.
- One in Sixth avenue, between Eighteenth and Nineteenth streets.
- One in Sixth avenue, between Nineteenth and Twentieth streets.
- One in Sixth avenue, between Twentieth and Twenty-first streets.

—pursuant to chap. 477, Laws of 1875.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

(G. O. 74.)

By Alderman Sauer—

Resolved, That a boulevard-lamp be suspended from a bracket and lighted in front of the Twenty-second street entrance to the building used as offices by the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, on the southeast corner of Fourth avenue and Twenty-second street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was laid over.

By Alderman Morris—

Resolved, That Croton water-pipes be laid in One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street, between Willis and Brook avenues, as provided in section 2, chapter 477, Laws of 1875.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Sauer—

Whereas, It is alleged that the Central Railroad of New Jersey have for several years been running a ferry from the foot of Liberty street, North river, to Jersey City, without having obtained a ferry grant or franchise from the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, and in violation of the corporate rights of this city; be it therefore

Resolved, That the Committee on Ferries and Docks be and they are hereby directed to investigate the subject, and in furtherance thereof they are hereby empowered and instructed to send for persons and papers, and that the result of such investigation be reported to this Board at the earliest opportunity.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Keenan—

Resolved, That John Kerr be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Kiernan—

Resolved, That the vacant lots on the south side of Eighty-third street and on the north side of Eighty-second street, and also on the east side of Fifth avenue, between Eighty-second and Eighty-third streets, be fenced in where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Keenan—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Burdett & Dennis, auctioneers, to place goods in the street, temporarily, in front of No. 29 Burling slip, to be removed immediately after sale; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By the same—

Resolved, That Richard Keef be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, whose term of office expired on March 2, 1878.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By the same—

Resolved, That G. D'Arcy Armstrong be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Kiernan—

Resolved, That the vacant lots on the south side of Seventy-ninth street, and on the north side of Seventy-eighth street, and on the east side of Madison avenue, between Seventy-eighth and Seventy-ninth streets, be fenced in, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Hall—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Isaac Stahls to erect a meat-rack in front of No. 64 Forsyth street, the said rack to be nine feet clear of the sidewalk; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Pinckney—

Resolved, That the Committee on Law Department be and is hereby directed to prepare and present to this Board an ordinance to compel the lessees or owners of all wharves, piers, or bulkheads in this city from which steamboats or other vessels receive or land passengers (ferry boats excepted), to provide a gang-plank so constructed as to prevent the possibility of accidents occurring to any of such passengers by falling into the water, while going on board or leaving any such steamboat or other vessel, the ordinance to contain a provision to compel the captain or officer in charge of every such vessel to use such gang-plank whenever receiving or landing passengers at any such wharf, pier,

or bulkheads, the penalty for violating any of the provisions of the ordinance to be not less than fifty nor more than one hundred dollars.

Which was adopted and referred to the Committee on Law Department.

MESSAGES FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

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

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT—CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, March 5, 1878.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—I transmit herewith a copy of a bill now before the Legislature, entitled "An act to incorporate the Manhattan Pipe Line Company."

As this bill proposes to grant to a private corporation the right to lay pipes through the streets of this city, without the consent of the local authorities, and without compensation to the city, I have deemed it my duty to call your attention to the bill, and to request that you may take such action in regard thereto as the interests of the city may require.

SMITH ELY, JR., Mayor.

AN ACT to incorporate the Manhattan Pipe Line Company.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Cornelius A. Russell, Henry Stuart, Geo. W. Nichols, Thomas Patten, Thomas Murphy, Frederick Snyder, Robert G. Schmitt, Jacob Ness, John Bryan, John J. Clark, William H. Van Tassel, R. V. M. Smith, John L. Gardner, Haskal L. Taylor, and their associates, are hereby created a body corporate and politic, of the name of the Manhattan Pipe Line Company, for the purpose of connecting, laying, and maintaining a line of pipe from the State of New Jersey across and under the North or Hudson river, through and under the City of New York, through and under the East river to Hunter's Point and Long Island, and through and under Hunter's Point and Long Island City, and for transporting therein petroleum gas or other products, and as such corporation they are invested with all the powers and privileges, and subject to all liabilities conferred and imposed by title III., chapter 18 of Part I. of the Revised Statutes; provided, however, the said line of pipe shall be open to public use on equal terms to all persons desiring to transfer products by the same.

Sec. 2. The capital stock of corporation shall be one hundred thousand dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each. The directors of said corporation may at any time, with the consent in writing of the stockholders holding majority of stock, increase such capital to an amount not exceeding one million of dollars.

Sec. 3. The persons named in the first section of this act shall constitute the first board of directors of said corporation, and shall hold their places as such until the first Monday in June in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine, and until others shall be elected in their stead. An election of directors shall take place on the first Monday in June in the year last aforesaid, and annually on that day thereafter, at an hour and place to be designated by the by-laws of said corporation, and the persons then elected by a majority of shares voted upon by stockholders, in person or by proxy, shall constitute the directors for the then ensuing year, and until others shall be duly elected in their places. All vacancies which shall occur in the board of directors, by death, resignation, or otherwise, shall be filled by appointment of a majority of the remaining members for the balance of the term thus vacated. No person shall be a director unless he shall be a stockholder, owning absolutely in his own right, and in the election of director each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote personally or by proxy on every share held by such stockholder thirty days previous to such election.

Sec. 4. The officers of the corporation shall consist of a president, secretary, and treasurer, who shall be annually elected by the incoming board of directors.

Sec. 5. The said company is authorized and empowered to construct, lay down, and maintain a line of pipe from such point in the State of New Jersey as they may elect across or under the North or Hudson river to, into, through, and under the City of New York to, across, and under the East river to, through, across, and under Hunter's Point and Long Island City, and to operate, use, or lease the same for the purposes of conveying petroleum, gas, or other products.

Sec. 6. The said corporation shall have the right and is hereby authorized to acquire the title and to hold such real estate or interest therein as may be necessary to enable it to construct, operate, and maintain said line of pipe as is herein provided, and to construct and maintain the proper stations and buildings of said corporation at such points along the said pipe line as may be necessary for the success and operation of the same.

Sec. 7. The said corporation is authorized to enter upon, construct, lay, and maintain the said pipe across or through any road or highway under or across any waters of this State, doing no unnecessary damage, and restoring such highways and roads to their proper condition for public use as nearly as may be as they were before such entry, and such corporation may also construct, lay, and maintain said line of pipe in, through, or over any other land, subject to the right of the owner or owners thereof to full compensation for the same; and if such corporation cannot agree with the owner or owners of any land taken or used by such corporation for the compensation to be paid therefor, it shall and may be lawful for such corporation, or such owner or owners to apply to the county court of the county in which lands are by petition, stating the facts in relation thereto, and after the expiration of fourteen days from the filing of such petition and notice thereof given to such corporation or to the owner or owners of land, as the case may be, it shall be the duty of the said court to appoint three disinterested persons as commissioners, who shall severally take an oath before any person authorized to administer oaths, faithfully and impartially to perform the duties required of them by this act, and it shall be the duty of said commissioners to make just and equitable appraisal of all the loss or damage, if any, which may have been or is likely to be sustained by the owner or owners of such land taken or used as aforesaid, while such land shall have been or shall continue to be used for the purpose aforesaid; and such assessment and appraisal shall determine the assessment or compensation to be paid by such corporation for such use, or in lieu thereof the sum gross as the compensation for allowing the pipe line belonging to such corporation to permanently continue on such land, the same to be repaired, improved, or renewed from time to time as such corporation may require, with the right to such corporation, its servants and agents, to enter upon such land at such time as it may elect for the purpose aforesaid; duplicate of such appraisal shall be reduced to writing and signed by the said commissioners, and one copy thereof shall be delivered to the owner or owners of the land and the other to the president, or to any other officer of the said corporation on demand; and in case any damage shall be adjudged to the owner or owners of said land, the said corporation shall pay the amount thereof, with the costs of said appraisal, said costs to be liquidated and ascertained in said , and said commissioners shall receive for their services three dollars a day for each day they are actually employed in making said appraisal.

Sec. 8. Any person who shall wilfully injure, molest, or destroy any pipe or other property belonging to said corporation shall forfeit and pay to said corporation three times the amount of injury sustained by such act or acts, and shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Sec. 9. The said pipe line shall be constructed and laid within three years from the passage of this act.

Whereupon Alderman Reilly presented the following:

Resolved, That the Common Council of the City of New York do hereby protest against the passage by the Legislature of this State of a bill now pending permitting a pipe to be laid across the Hudson and East rivers and the City of New York, from the State of New Jersey to Hunter's Point, Long Island, for conducting oil, or any other bill of like character, which purposes to authorize any company, corporation, or individual to use the waters of the harbor of New York, or any portion of the streets, avenues, or public places in said city, for like or any other purpose, without the consent of the corporate authorities being first had and obtained, and then only on such conditions and stipulation as may be determined to be for the best interests of the City of New York by the said corporate authorities.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS AND CORPORATION OFFICERS RESUMED.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Chairman of the Committee on Commerce and Navigation of the State Senate:

OFFICE OF THE
BOARD OF ALDERMEN, No. 9 CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, March 4, 1878.

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

GENTLEMEN—I have received the inclosed communication from the Hon. Ira Davenport, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Navigation, which is respectfully submitted for the information of your Hon. Body.

Very respectfully,

F. J. TWOMEY, Clerk.

STATE OF NEW YORK—SENATE CHAMBER,
ALBANY, February 28, 1878.

Hon. FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, New York City Clerk:

SIR—I have the honor to inform you that a copy of the Manhattan Pipe Line Bill, now before the Senate Committee on Commerce and Navigation, has this day been forwarded to his Honor the Mayor of New York.

The bill will be considered by the above Committee, at the capital, on Wednesday, March 6, at 10 o'clock A. M.

The bill is for the purpose of laying a pipe line from New Jersey through North river and through the City of New York, and through and under East river to Hunter's Point; and as the proper authorities of the City of New York may desire to be heard upon the subject, I have the honor

to transmit this notification to you, and refer you to the copy of the bill in the hands of the Mayor for further particulars.

I have the honor to remain, sir,

Very respectfully yours,

IRA DAVENPORT,

Chairman Senate Committee on Commerce and Navigation.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law Department.

Alderman Morris moved that the Clerk be instructed to forward a copy of the resolution offered by Alderman Reilly, protesting against the passage of the act in question, to the Chairman of the Committee on Commerce and Navigation of the State Senate.

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

MESSAGES FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR RESUMED.

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

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT—CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, March 5, 1878.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—I herewith return, without my approval, the resolution to permit James H. Patty & Co. to retain a sign in front of No. 87 Bleecker street.

The owners and occupants of the premises adjoining No. 87 Bleecker street object to the proposed permission being granted, and I am therefore constrained to withhold my approval.

SMITH ELY, JR., Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to James H. Patty & Co. to retain the sign now in front of their premises No. 87 Bleecker street; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

By Alderman Phillips—

Resolved, That Bernard J. Kelly be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

Alderman Sauer moved that Alderman Carroll have permission to sign the report of the majority of the Committee on Public Works protesting against the passage of bill by the State Legislature to amend certain acts relating to paving the streets and extending the supply of Croton water.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Perley—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to F. Rice to place posts for a sign on the sidewalk near the curb-stone in front of No. 1320 Third avenue, such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Carroll—

Resolved, That Lexington avenue, between Eighty-fifth and Eighty-sixth streets, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, and that at the several intersecting streets and avenues crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

We, the undersigned, property-owners on Lexington avenue, between Eighty-fifth and Eighty-sixth streets, in the City of New York, do hereby respectfully request that the said avenue be paved with Belgian or granite-block pavement, and that the necessary ordinance therefor be passed by your Honorable Body.

Dated New York, February 26, 1878.

Martha McIntosh, Martin McIntosh, attorney, 156 E. 82d street.

Isabella Brandon, 1037 Madison avenue.

Elizabeth H. Theall, 1276 Lexington avenue.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By the same—

Resolved, That Edward Smith be and is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Kiernan—

Resolved, That crosswalks be laid across Lexington avenue on the north, and on the south side of Eighty-fourth street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Slevin—

Resolved, That Martin J. Keese be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Martin J. Keese, whose term of office has expired.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Gedney, Guntzer, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Sauer, Sheils, and Slevin—19.

PAPER FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

Preamble and resolution instructing the Board of Education to modify the rules for admission to the Free Academy and Normal College, returned from his Honor the Mayor by request of the Board.

Which was ordered on file.

By Alderman Sheils—

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

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Kiernan—

Resolved, That Seventy-fifth street, between Fourth and Madison avenues, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, and that at the several intersecting streets and avenues crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By the same—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to James Robertson to erect a bay-window in front of his premises northeast corner of Lexington avenue and One Hundred and Eighteenth street, as shown on the annexed diagram, he having obtained consent from the adjoining owners, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By the same—

Resolved, That Charles B. Jennings be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, to date from the expiration of his present term of office, which will be March 9, 1878.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By the same—

Resolved, That One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, from Eighth to Ninth avenue, be regulated, graded, curb and gutter stones set, and sidewalks flagged four feet wide, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

The undersigned citizens, residents and property owners on the line and in the vicinity of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, most respectfully petition your Honorable Body to have said One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, from the Eighth to the Ninth avenue, regulated, graded, curbed, guttered, and flagged.

The improvement asked for in this section, and the accessibility by travel, call for your early favorable notice.

And your petitioners will ever pray,

New York, January 28, 1878.

Henry V. Steers, 155th st., west of 10th ave.
Edward Carpenter, 159th st., west of 10th ave.

Michael Brophy, Bennett lane.
Harry Green, 163d st., Kingsbridge road.

Thomas I. Carter, 152d st. and 10th ave.
Thomas F. McAvoy, 150th st., near 10th ave.
Joseph H. Thayer, 150th st., near 10th ave.
Eugene T. Woodward, 155th st., 10th and 11th aves.
John Watson, 156th st., near 10th ave.
Henry Jacoby, 152d st., 10th ave.
John J. Joyce, 126th st., near 8th ave.
George Gray, 150th st., 9th and 10th aves.
James Gannon, 156th st., 10th and 11th aves.
Thomas C. Joyce, 156th st., west of 10th ave.
George H. Winner, 158th st. and 10th ave.
John W. Eckessby, 157th st. and 10th ave.
William W. Kinnaid, 144th st., near 8th ave.
Augustus Luersen, 152d st. and 10th ave.
John Brown, 146th st. and 12th ave.
James Moody, 152d st. and 10th ave.
Harrison Curry, 153d st., 10th ave.
Edward Byrns, 165th st., bet. 9th and 10th aves.
Michael J. Connolly, 152d st., 10th ave.
Hatfield S. Cox, 154th st., 8th and 10th aves.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Lewis—

Resolved, That Joel O. Stevens be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Joel O. Stevens, whose term of office expires March 10, 1878.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Alderman Keenan, by unanimous consent, called up G. O. 63, being a message from his Honor the Mayor, with a communication from the Comptroller, with the following act:

AN ACT relating to contracts for lighting the public lamps in the City of New York.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. The Board authorized to make and enter into contracts for lighting the streets, avenues, and places of the City of New York with gas, consisting of the Mayor, Comptroller, and Commissioner of Public Works, is hereby authorized and empowered to contract for such lighting the public lamps with gas in said city by one or more contracts, to be let at public lettings, as provided by law, for a period of one year, or any part of a year, and commencing and terminating at any dates the said Board may determine.

Sec. 2. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

He then moved to amend by inserting after the word "gas" and before the words "in said city" the words "or other illuminating material."

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

The President then put the question whether the Board would agree with said act as amended.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Whereupon Alderman Sauer offered the following:

Resolved, That the bill transmitted by his Honor the Mayor to this Board on February 26, 1878, relating to contracts for lighting the public lamps of the City of New York, be and is hereby approved, and that the Legislature be requested to pass the same.

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to transmit a copy of the foregoing resolution to both Houses of the Legislature, with copies of the bill and the communications of the Mayor and Comptroller upon the subject.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

REPORTS.

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of placing a post and sign in front of No. 109 Sheriff street, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed improvement to be necessary. They therefore recommend that the said resolution and ordinance be adopted.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Jacob Mitnich to place a post and sign on the sidewalk near the curb-stone, in front of No. 109 Sheriff street; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

THOMAS SHEILS, } Committee
THOS. CARROLL, } on
GEO. HALL, } Public Works.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

(G. O. 75.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of flagging sidewalk north side of Seventy-second street, from Lexington to Third avenue, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed improvement to be necessary. They therefore recommend that the said resolution and ordinance be adopted.

Resolved, That the sidewalk on the north side of Seventy-second street, from Lexington to Third avenue, be flagged and reflagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

THOMAS SHEILS, } Committee
GEO. HALL, } on
J. C. PINCKNEY, } Public Works.
B. BIGLIN,

Which was laid over.

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution to permit the owners of property on Fifty-fifth street, from Avenue A to the East river, to regulate, grade, etc., said street at their own expense, respectfully

REPORT:

That there can be no possible objection to permitting the owners of property to perform the work necessary to opening the street for the uses of the public, as they propose to do it at their own expense, under such direction as may be given by the Commissioner of Public Works, and under his supervision. On the contrary, your Committee are clearly of opinion that every facility should be given the owners in question, and all others who may desire like privileges to improve the streets in front of their property, in the upper or, in fact, any part of the city.

Your Committee therefore respectfully recommend the adoption of the resolution.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given unto the heirs-at-law of the estate of Richard French, deceased, and also unto Richard Allen, interested as owners of the lands adjacent to and including that part of East Fifty-fifth street running from Avenue A easterly to East river, to cut through and open such part of said street and remove the rock and dirt therefrom, and grade the same at their own cost and expense and in the manner required by the Department of Public Works.

THOMAS SHEILS, } Committee
THOS. CARROLL, } on
GEO. HALL, } Public Works.
J. C. PINCKNEY,
B. BIGLIN,

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

(G. O. 76.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of flagging sidewalk north side of One Hundred and Seventeenth street, between First avenue and Avenue A, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed improvement to be necessary. They therefore recommend that the said resolution and ordinance be adopted.

Resolved, That the sidewalk on the north side of One Hundred and Seventeenth street, between First avenue and Avenue A, be flagged, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

THOMAS SHEILS, } Committee
THOS. CARROLL, } on
GEO. HALL, } Public Works.
J. C. PINCKNEY,
B. BIGLIN,

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 77.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of fencing vacant lots in Fifty-seventh street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues, respectfully

REPORT :

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed improvement to be necessary. They therefore recommend that the said resolution and ordinance be adopted.

Resolved, That the vacant lot or lots on the south side of Fifty-seventh street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues, be fenced in, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

THOMAS SHEILS,
THOS. CARROLL,
GEO. HALL,
J. C. PINCKNEY,
B. BIGLIN,

Committee
on
Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 78.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of regulating, grading, etc., One Hundred and Twelfth street, from Madison avenue to a point 175 feet easterly, respectfully

REPORT :

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed improvement to be necessary. They therefore recommend that the said resolution and ordinance be adopted.

Resolved, That One Hundred and Twelfth street, from Madison avenue to a point one hundred and seventy-five feet easterly, be regulated, graded, curb and gutter set, and rest of sidewalks flagged and reflagged, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

THOMAS SHEILS,
THOS. CARROLL,
GEO. HALL,
J. C. PINCKNEY,
B. BIGLIN,

Committee
on
Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 79.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of having regulated, graded, curb and gutter stones set, etc., in Ninety-seventh street, from Fifth avenue to Harlem river, respectfully

REPORT :

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed improvement to be necessary. They therefore recommend that the said resolution and ordinance be adopted.

Resolved, That Ninety-seventh street, from Fifth avenue to Harlem river, be regulated and graded, curb and gutter stones set, and sidewalks flagged a space of four feet wide through the centre thereof, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

THOMAS SHEILS,
THOS. CARROLL,
GEO. HALL,
J. C. PINCKNEY,
B. BIGLIN,

Committee
on
Public Works.

Which was laid over.

The Committee on Repairs and Supplies, to whom was referred a communication from the Department of Public Charities and Correction, in reply to a resolution of this Board, asking why the new prison connected with the Jefferson Market Court-house was not occupied, together with a preamble and resolution directing the Commissioner of Public Works to make the alterations necessary to fit the prison for the purposes for which it was intended, respectfully

REPORT :

That, in examining the subject so referred, your Committee have ascertained that the building in question, although finished under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, after the expiration of the terms of office fixed for the Commissioners appointed to superintend its construction, has passed from his jurisdiction and control, having been accepted by the Commissioners of Charities and Correction, and the keys given to them by the Commissioner of Public Works several months ago. It is now as much under the control of the Department of Charities and Correction as is the City Prison, the Penitentiary, or any other of the buildings used by that Department. Having accepted the structure, and assumed control over it, as they do the other building they use and occupy, it is their duty to apply it to the uses for which it was intended, and if any repairs or alterations are necessary, it is certainly the duty of that Department to make them, or cause them to be made, precisely as they do in the case of any other of the public buildings they use.

Your Committee fully agree with the preamble and resolution, that it is an unwise policy which loses to the city the uses of a building that cost \$200,000, when, probably, by the expenditure of three or four hundred dollars, it could be utilized; but they are also clearly of opinion that the Department that now controls the building should do the necessary work of rendering it habitable. Your Committee therefore respectfully recommend for your adoption the preamble and resolution so presented and referred, amended by striking out the words "Commissioner of Public Works" in the resolution, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "Commissioners of the Department of Public Charities and Correction," and by striking out the appropriation.

Whereas, It appears from a communication from the Department of Charities and Correction, in reply to a resolution of this Board, that the prison attached to the New Court-house at Jefferson Market remains unoccupied, although greatly needed, by reason of a conflict of authority or jurisdiction between two Departments of the City Government, neither being willing to incur the small expense necessary to improve the plumbing work, at a cost of less than \$200, and to make a connection with the sewer in Sixth avenue, probably involving a like amount, and as it seems to be a "penny wise and pound foolish" disagreement, which loses to the city the uses of a building that cost probably \$200,000, rather than that either Department should be called upon to expend in this necessary work the sum of four or five hundred dollars, the controversy should be ended by the action of this Common Council, in the interest of our tax-payers; be it therefore

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Department of Public Charities and Correction be and they are hereby authorized and directed to make the alterations in the plumbing work of the prison at Jefferson Market Court-house mentioned in the communication of Supervising Engineer Wm. H. Knapp, and connect the building with the sewer in Sixth avenue.

TERENCE KIERNAN,
SAMUEL A. LEWIS,
HENRY C. PERLEY,

Committee
on
Repairs and Supplies.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

(G. O. 80.)

The Committee on County Affairs, to whom was referred the annexed protest of the "Public Parks Protective Association" against the erection of an armory in Washington Parade Ground, together with a resolution that the Board of Aldermen approve of the protest, and a resolution directing the Clerk of the Board to forward to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the Assembly a certified copy of the resolution and protest, respectfully

REPORT :

That they have given the subject their most earnest consideration, having had it before them some time, and they had concluded to report in favor of the measure previous to the presentation of the protest to your Honorable Body.

They were influenced in their decision mainly by the representations of many of the officers of the First Division N. G. S. N. Y., including the Major-General commanding, that an armory, such as is in contemplation, was of the first necessity; that the site was the most desirable one that could be obtained; that a proposition to purchase a site from private owners could not be entertained, at least at the present time, in view of the great cost and the general reluctance apparent on all hands to making any further additions to the present city debt. The uncertainty of ever succeeding in selecting such a site, even if attempted, by reason of conflicting local interests and opinions as to the desirability of locating such a building in any particular neighborhood, was also well understood, the memorable example of the futility of the attempt to procure a site for a new city prison, in the year 1873, being still fresh in the minds of your Committee.

The area of Washington Parade Ground is 424,684 square feet—something more than nine acres; the portion to be occupied by the proposed armory will be less than two acres, so that more than seven acres of the square will remain for park purposes, or, in other words, a space twice as large as Union or Stuyvesant squares; five times as large as Gramercy park, and considerably larger than Madison square. It is clear, therefore, that the erection of the armory will not destroy the park, or interfere in any measurable degree with its uses by the public.

The portion of this property, which was originally used as a potters' field, was set apart for military purposes, during the pleasure of the Common Council, by resolution adopted February 27, 1826; and by resolution adopted June 19, 1826, it was to be denominated and known as the "Washington Military Parade Ground." Additional ground was subsequently added, principally by deeds of cession from adjoining owners. The report of the Commissioners appointed for opening the Parade Ground was confirmed October 26, 1827, and was approved by the Common Council November 19, 1827. Its dedication, at that time, to military uses has never been changed by the Common Council.

So far as the corporate authorities are concerned, the purposes to which it was then devoted, like its name, remains the same to this day.

Your Committee, in refusing to recommend your Honorable Body to approve of the purpose of the protest of the "Public Parks Protective Association," are governed solely by what they consider best for the interest of the city. The representation of any considerable number of our citizens is entitled to, and will always receive all due consideration. This association is represented as numbering five thousand persons, yet the only evidence of this fact, if it be a fact, presented to your Honorable Body, is the signature of one person. The number of the National Guard enrolled, and doing unpaid, though invaluable service, in the First Division, we know to be greatly in excess of five thousand, and they appeared before your Committee by their duly accredited and recognized representatives—the Major-General commanding, and other division officers—in advocacy of the proposed armory. With the wording of a portion the protest itself, however, your Committee entirely agree, and can even go so far as to recommend your Honorable Body to approve of it. This protest, speaking for the protestants and the people of the city at large, claims "that the parks should be sacredly held in trust for the purposes to which they were devoted," and forcibly inveighs "against every attempt to divert Washington square from the uses to which it was dedicated." In this your Committee entirely agree; and inasmuch as the Legislature of the State, in passing chapter 223, Laws of 1875, by section 34, amending section 120 of chapter 80, Laws of 1870, doubtless inadvertently diverted Washington square from the "purposes for which it was devoted," and the "uses" to which it was "dedicated" by the Common Council in 1826, your Committee believe, with the protestants, that this error of the Legislature should be corrected, and the parade ground, or at least a portion of it, be again devoted and dedicated to military purposes as originally intended.

The following resolutions are therefore respectfully offered for your adoption:

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be and he is hereby authorized and directed to prepare a memorial to the Legislature of this State for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, praying for the passage of an act to exempt Washington Military Parade Ground from the provision of section 120 of chapter 80, Laws of 1870, as amended by section 34 of chapter 223, Laws of 1875, which prevents the erection of armories in any of the public squares and parks in the City of New York, so that the said parade ground or any portion thereof may, if deemed advisable, be restored to the purposes for which it was devoted and the uses to which it was dedicated by the Common Council of the city in the year 1826, viz.: the uses of the military and for military purposes; and be it further

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be and he is hereby requested to transmit a copy of said memorial, when prepared by the Counsel to the Corporation, to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the Assembly of this State.

WM. SAUER,
THOMAS SHEILS,
L. C. WAEHNER,

Committee
on
County Affairs.

Alderman Sauer moved that the paper be laid over.

Alderman Reilly, as an amendment, moved the Board do now proceed to the consideration of the report and resolution.

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

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

Affirmative—Aldermen Biglin, Gedney, Hall, Jacobus, Kiernan, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, and Reilly—10.

Negative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Carroll, Ehrhart, Guntzer, Keenan, Lewis, Sauer, Sheils, and Slevin—10.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Alderman Sauer.

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

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Carroll, Ehrhart, Guntzer, Keenan, Lewis, Sauer, Sheils, and Slevin—10.

Negative—Aldermen Biglin, Gedney, Hall, Jacobus, Kiernan, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, and Reilly—10.

Alderman Perley moved to recommit to the Committee.

Alderman Slevin, as an amendment, moved the adoption of the report.

Which was accepted by Alderman Perley.

Whereupon Alderman Slevin asked to withdraw his motion.

Objection being made,

Alderman Sauer moved that Alderman Slevin have permission to withdraw his motion.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division called by Alderman Morris, viz.:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Guntzer, Hall, Keenan, Lewis, Sauer, Sheils, and Slevin—12.

Negative—Aldermen Biglin, Gedney, Jacobus, Kiernan, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, and Reilly—9.

Whereupon Alderman Perley renewed the motion to adopt.

Alderman Sauer moved to reconsider the vote taken on the motion to lay over.

But the President ruled the motion out of order at the time.

Whereupon Alderman Sauer moved to postpone the consideration of the report until the next meeting of the Board.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division called by Alderman Morris, viz.:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Carroll, Foster, Guntzer, Hall, Keenan, Lewis, Sauer, Sheils, and Wachner—11.

Negative—Aldermen Biglin, Gedney, Jacobus, Kiernan, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, and Reilly—9.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

By Alderman Sauer—

Whereas, Jerome avenue is in very bad condition, and in some places entirely unfit for the class of travel for which it is used, and sufficient appropriation has been made to maintain the roads in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards in good condition; therefore

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks be and they are hereby directed forthwith to make the necessary repairs to restore Jerome avenue to its former good condition.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

REPORTS RESUMED.

(G. O. 81.)

The Committee on Law Department, to whom was referred the annexed ordinance, entitled "An ordinance to amend chapter XXXVII. of the Ordinances of 1866, entitled 'Of carts and cartmen, dirt carts, public carts, and garbage carts,'" respectfully

REPORT :

That the ordinances now in force affecting public carts and cartmen are not well or clearly understood, many amendments having been made thereto since the last compilation of the Corporation Ordinances in 1866, which are scattered through the proceedings of the years intervening between that time and the present, and are not readily available either to the cartmen or the public. The changed circumstances connected with the question of cartage in the city also render some new provisions necessary to meet them; these your Committee have attempted to supply in the ordinance herewith submitted for your adoption.

The proposed ordinance is to amend article I. of chapter 37 of the Ordinances of 1866, which relate solely to "carts and cartmen," the only alteration or amendment to articles II., III., and IV. being the changes necessary to be made in the section therein contained to continue them in numerical order to the end of the chapter.

AN ORDINANCE to amend chapter XXXVII. of the Ordinance of 1866, entitled "Of carts and cartmen, dirt carts, public carts, and garbage carts."

The Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York do ordain as follows:

Section 1, chapter XXXVII., of the Ordinance of 1866, is hereby amended and shall read as follows:

ARTICLE I.

OF CARTS AND CARTMEN.

Section 1. Every cart, truck, wagon, dray, or other vehicle drawn by one or more horses or other animals, which shall be kept, used, driven, or employed for the transportation or conveyance of anything whatsoever from place to place within the city of New York, shall be deemed a "public cart" within the meaning of this chapter, and every person who shall set up, or so keep, use, drive, or employ any such public cart without first obtaining license therefor from the Mayor of said city, as is hereinafter provided, shall be deemed guilty of a violation of this chapter.

Sec. 2. The Mayor shall, from time to time, license and appoint so many and such persons as he may think proper to set up and keep public carts in said city. All persons licensed, as aforesaid, to keep public carts shall be deemed to be public cartmen within the meaning of this chapter; but it shall not be lawful for any person to receive or hold a license to keep public carts, or to be a public cartman, unless he be a citizen of the United States and resident of the city of New York; and is the actual owner of the cart or carts, with good horses therefor, so licensed to be kept as public carts; and the Mayor may examine, under oath, all persons applying for or holding any such license, or the renewal thereof, touching their qualifications as aforesaid; and all licenses other than to persons so qualified shall be void; provided, however, that all licenses now in existence granted to non-residents of said city shall remain in full force until the date of their expiration.

Sec. 3. The Mayor shall require and receive for the use of the city from every person to whom he may grant a license, for every one-horse truck, cart, or wagon or other vehicle, three dollars; for every two-horse truck, wagon or other vehicle, five dollars; and half the above for renewal, as hereinafter provided.

Sec. 4. All licenses to persons to keep public carts and to be public cartmen shall expire on the last day of October next after the date thereof, and it shall be lawful for the Mayor to renew and continue any or all of such licenses for a year succeeding such last day of October, provided that the applicant therefor continues in all things qualified, as hereinbefore provided, to hold such license, and the application be made therefor, prior to the expiration thereof, at such time as may be appointed by the Mayor.

Sec. 5. No public cart shall be driven or used within said city except by a duly licensed public cartman; and the person to whom license is granted to keep and use a public cart shall, for all the purposes of this chapter, be considered the owner thereof, and responsible for all articles intrusted to and for the conduct of the driver thereof, and liable to all forfeitures, penalties, and punishments herein contained or provided.

Sec. 6. Every public cart shall have fairly painted on the outside of the square of the after-part of the shaft, or on some other conspicuous place, on each side, so as to be easily seen, the number of the license therefor, in plain figures, and the driving or using of a public cart, without its being so numbered, shall be deemed a violation of this chapter.

Sec. 7. Every person licensed, as aforesaid, to keep a public cart, upon failing to renew the license for, or disposing of, or parting with the same, shall deface, remove, and obliterate the license number therefrom, and failing or neglecting to do so shall be deemed to be a violation of this chapter.

Sec. 8. Every person, upon receiving a license to keep a public cart, or to be a public cartman, shall report his residence to the Mayor; and upon changing his residence, shall, in like manner, report his new residence, and the failing or neglecting to do so shall be deemed a violation of this chapter.

Sec. 9. It shall not be lawful for any person other than a public cartman to keep, use, drive, or employ any cart or other vehicle with numbers or figures thereon similar to or resembling the numbers on public carts, or for any person licensed to keep public carts to place or have any number for which he may have received license on more than one cart, or to use more carts as public carts than he may have license for.

Sec. 10. The Mayor may assign to the owner of each duly licensed public cart, a stand, where such cart may remain waiting to be employed, and also a stand where it may remain at other times, provided that no such stand be assigned for a cart to remain at such other times in front of the premises of any person other than the owner of such cart, against the wishes of the occupant thereof; and provided further, that carts shall not be permitted to so stand two abreast in any of the streets; and every public cartman who shall permit his cart to stand loaded, or waiting for employment, or to remain at other times at any place other than the one so assigned for such carts, shall be deemed guilty of a violation of this chapter.

Sec. 11. The Mayor, and the several officers and members of the Police Department and magistrates, shall have power and authority to order the driver or other person having charge of any public cart or any other vehicle, to remove such cart or other vehicle away from any place in any of the streets, or on any of the wharves or docks of said city which, in his or their opinion, may be improperly encumbering such street or wharf, or obstructing or impeding the public travel, and any and every person neglecting or refusing to comply with or obey any such order shall be deemed guilty of a violation of this chapter.

Sec. 12. It shall be the duty of every person driving or having charge of a public cart to give to any person requesting it his name and place of residence, his number and the number of the cart he is driving or in charge of, and the name and place of residence of the owner thereof; and the refusal to do so shall be deemed a violation of this chapter.

Sec. 13. If any accident or injury shall happen to any person or any carriage, vehicle, or other thing by reason of coming in contact with any public cart, or other cart or vehicle, or the horse or horses attached thereto, or anything loaded thereon while the same is moving, it shall be the duty of the person driving or having charge of the same to immediately stop, and, if necessary, render his assistance, and to give his name and residence, and to give the number of the cart or other vehicle he was driving, and the name and residence of the owner thereof, under penalty of fifty dollars, to be recovered from the driver or owner of any such cart or other vehicle.

Sec. 14. It shall not be lawful for any public cartman, or for any person driving or having charge of any public cart, or any other cart, wagon, or other vehicle, to drive or back any such public cart, or any other vehicle, on to the sidewalk of any of the streets of said city, or to stop any such cart or any other vehicle on any of the crosswalks or intersection of streets, so as to obstruct or hinder the travel along such crosswalks or intersections of streets, or to place any such carts or other vehicles crosswise of any street or wharf of said city except to load thereon or unload therefrom articles of greater weight each than two hundred pounds; but in no case shall it be lawful for any person to permit such cart or other vehicle to remain so crosswise of any street for a longer period than may be actually necessary for such purpose, and not to exceed five minutes; but it shall be lawful for the owner or occupant of any store, warehouse, or other building, in any street or avenue in which the rails of any railroad company are laid so close to the curb-stones as to prevent the owner or occupant from keeping any such cart or other vehicle in the carriageway in front of his place of business, without interference with the passing cars of any such railroad company, to occupy with such cart or other vehicle, during business hours, so much of sidewalk as may be necessary for such cart or other vehicle; provided that sufficient space be retained for the passage of pedestrians between the cart or other vehicle so permitted to occupy such portion of the sidewalk and the stoop or front of every such store, warehouse, or other building.

Sec. 15. It shall not be lawful for any cart, wagon, coach, public cart, or any other vehicle to be driven through any of the streets of the city of New York at a greater speed than six miles an hour; nor shall it be lawful for any such vehicle to be driven around the corner of any of the streets of said city with the horse or horses thereto traveling at a faster gait than a walk; and all and every such public carts, and all other vehicles, when passing through or along any of the streets of said city shall, when meeting any other vehicle, be driven to the right-hand side of the way, so that such vehicles shall pass clear of each other; and it shall be unlawful for any such public cart, carriage, or any other vehicle, or the horse or horses attached thereto, to be driven foul of or against any person, vehicle, or any other thing whatever in any of the streets or on any of the docks and wharves of said city.

Sec. 16. No cart, dray, truck, or wagon shall be driven over any of the wharves or piers of the city of New York at a greater rate of speed than a walk, under a penalty of five dollars, to be sued for and recovered from the owner or owners, or driver thereof, severally and respectively.

Sec. 17. The Mayor shall require and receive for the use of the city from every person to whom he may grant a license to drive a public truck or cart or other vehicle, one dollar, and fifty cents for renewal. He may grant license to any person over nineteen years of age to be a driver of a public cart or truck.

Sec. 18. The prices or rates to be charged for the loading, transportation, and unloading of goods, wares, and other articles shall be as follows, to wit:

Oils, molasses, and all casks under 1,500 pounds weight.....	\$0 75
Over 1,500 pounds and under 2,000 pounds.....	1 00
For every 100 pounds, and other ponderous articles of 1,000 pounds weight and upwards at the same rate.....	11
Hay, loose, per load.....	2 00
Bricks, when handled and piled, per load.....	75
Hoop poles, loose, per load.....	1 00
Timber and lumber, per load.....	75
Beef and pork, for every five barrels.....	75
Calves, sheep, and lamb, per load.....	75
Coal, per ton.....	75
Cotton, for every three bales.....	75
Earthenware, loose, per load.....	1 00
Oil floor-cloths in boxes or rolls of less than ten feet in length, per load.....	75
Of twenty feet and less than twenty-five feet.....	1 00
(Twenty-four feet and upwards as may be agreed on.)	
Salt, for every twenty bushels.....	75
Cut stone, per load.....	75
Slates or tiles, per load.....	75
Household furniture, per load of one-horse truck, within two miles.....	2 00
When the distance exceeds two miles, an extra 50 cents more for each and every additional mile.	50
For loading or housing to first or ground floor.....	50
And for each flight of stairs, up or down.....	25
For a double-truck load, within two miles.....	3 00
When the distance exceeds two miles, an extra \$1.00 more for every additional mile.....	1 00
For loading, unloading, and housing to first or ground floor.....	50
And for every flight of stairs, up or down.....	50

When a private contract is made, each party shall be held to the amount so agreed on. In shipping goods, wares, or other merchandise at any of the shipping lines by railroad, steamboat, or sailing vessel, when a truck is kept in line waiting to ship goods more than thirty minutes, the truckman shall be entitled to an extra allowance at the rate of one dollar per hour for the time so detained.

Sec. 19. Every public cartman and public porter shall be entitled to be paid the legal rate or compensation allowed and provided in this chapter immediately upon the carting or transportation of any article or thing, and it may be lawful for any such public cartman or public porter to retain any article or thing so carted or transported by him for which he is not so paid his cartage, and to convey the same without delay to the office of the Superintendent of Police, and he shall be entitled to the lawful rate of pay or compensation for the so conveying. All disputes or disagreements as to

distance or rates of compensation, between public cartmen or public porters and persons employing them or owing for cartage or transportation, shall be determined by the Mayor.

Sec. 20. It shall not be lawful for any public cartman, or any other person, to cart or transport through any of the streets of said city, any planks, poles, spars, timber, or other thing exceeding thirty feet in length, except on a suitable truck or other vehicle, and such plank or other thing shall be placed lengthwise thereon, so as not to project at either end beyond the line of the side or width of such truck or other vehicle; and all persons so carting or transporting any such poles, planks, timber, spars, or other things in any other manner shall be deemed guilty of a violation of this chapter.

Sec. 21. It shall not be lawful for the driver or other person having charge of any public cart, dirt cart, or any other vehicle to be off or away from any such cart or any other vehicle while the same is moving or passing along any of the streets or avenues of said city; nor shall it be lawful for any public cartman, while waiting for employment at any place assigned for his cart, to stand waiting for employment at any other place, or to snap or flourish his whip, or to be away from his cart, unless from necessity or on business, or to sit or stand about the doorsteps or platforms, or in front of any house, store, or other building, to the annoyance of the occupants thereof.

Sec. 22. It shall not be lawful for any person who has been licensed to keep public carts, or to be a public cartman, and whose license has been suspended or revoked by the Mayor, to keep, drive, or use any public cart in the city of New York, under the penalty of twenty-five dollars for every such offense.

Sec. 23. Every cartman who shall be duly licensed in the city of New York shall be permitted to place and have his cart, when unemployed, in front of the house or premises where he shall at the time reside, or in front of the stable where he shall at the time stable his horse; provided that such cart shall be placed on the street upon the carriageway thereof, in close proximity to the curb-stone next to his said residence or stable, and shall not extend beyond said curb-stone any greater distance than the width of such cart, nor beyond the line of the lot on which his said residence or stable is situated, and provided that such place of residence or stable shall be specified upon the license for such cart.

Sec. 24. It shall be the duty of the person or officer exercising the duties of Superintendent of Carts to visit daily the several stands and places in the city where cartmen are in the habit of waiting for employment, and to see that all the ordinances regulating carts and cartmen, including dirt carts, are in every respect complied with.

Sec. 25. It shall be the special duty of the said person or officer to ascertain whether any carts are driven by persons who have not received licenses therefor, and to report such and all other offenses or violations of the law to the Attorney of the Corporation.

Sec. 26. It shall not be lawful for any person to keep, drive, use, or employ any cart, wagon, truck, dray, or other vehicle other than such as are licensed as herein provided, for the transportation or conveyance of any article or thing within the city of New York, unless the name and residence or place of business where such owner can be found (of the owner thereof) be fairly and distinctly painted with red paint on a white ground, in plain letters and figures at least two and a half inches long, in a conspicuous place on both sides of such cart or vehicle, so as at all times to be easily seen thereon.

Sec. 27. The sections of this ordinance contained in article II. shall be numbered respectively sections 27 to 32; the sections in article III. shall be numbered respectively from 33 to 43; section 48 shall be numbered section 44, and section 49, now contained in article IV., shall be numbered 45.

Sec. 46. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Sec. 47. This ordinance shall take effect on and after October 1, 1878.

L. C. WAERNER, } Committee
GEO. HALL, } on
J. C. PINCKNEY, } Law Department.

Which was laid over.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

By Alderman Sauer—

Resolved, That B. W. Buchanan be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of B. W. Buchanan, whose term of office expires March 4, 1878.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Guntzer, Hall, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Pinckney, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Wachner—18.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS AND CORPORATION OFFICERS AGAIN RESUMED.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the County Clerk's Office:

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE—NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE, }
NEW YORK, March 2, 1878. }

Hon. WM. R. ROBERTS, President Board of Aldermen:

SIR—I have the honor to communicate herewith, pursuant to resolution of the Board of Aldermen, a list of the Commissioners of Deeds whose terms expire during the month of March, 1878.

Yours, very respectfully,

HENRY A. GUMBLETON, Clerk.

Names of Commissioners whose terms of office expire during the month of March, 1878.

Name.	Term expires
Benjamin W. Buchanan.....	March 4, 1878.
A. P. Butler.....	" 28 "
Henry P. Butler.....	" 31 "
Cornelius Burdick.....	" 31 "
Alexander B. Clark.....	" 10 "
James G. Coffey.....	" 31 "
Michael J. Cody.....	" 31 "
S. V. R. Cruger.....	" 31 "
William F. Dusenbury.....	" 28 "
Daniel Daly.....	" 28 "
George F. De Lacy.....	" 31 "
William W. Falconer.....	" 2 "
James M. Fisk.....	" 28 "
Thomas L. Feitner.....	" 28 "
Morris Friedsam.....	" 31 "
Charles S. Goodrich.....	" 31 "
Daniel S. Hart.....	" 2 "
Anthony Hartman.....	" 2 "
Styles G. Hyatt.....	" 10 "
Charles B. Jennings.....	" 2 "
Daniel Jackson.....	" 28 "
Richard Keef.....	" 2 "
Edward J. Knight.....	" 31 "
Christopher F. Klenck.....	" 31 "
Martin J. Keese.....	" 31 "
Henry G. Leask.....	" 2 "
David Leventritt.....	" 31 "
Michael McLoughlin.....	" 28 "
E. H. McGurk.....	" 28 "
Thomas M. McCarthy.....	" 31 "
Myer Masten.....	" 2 "
Abram Moses.....	" 10 "
Charles E. Marsac.....	" 31 "
Patrick O'Beirne.....	" 31 "
Charles H. Pentz.....	" 2 "
Max Platzeck.....	" 2 "
Tarrent Putnam.....	" 31 "
William F. Quinn.....	" 2 "
Stephen Rowan.....	" 28 "
William F. Reilly.....	" 31 "
I. J. Swartzkoff.....	" 2 "
Sheldon B. Shaw.....	" 2 "
Joseph H. Steiner.....	" 2 "
Abram Springstein.....	" 10 "
Paul C. Smith.....	" 10 "
Joel O. Stevens.....	" 10 "
Joseph C. Wolff.....	" 17 "
William J. Wells.....	" 31 "

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

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

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, }
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, March 2, 1878. }

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

Weekly statement, showing the appropriations made under the authority contained in section 112, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, for carrying on the Common Council from January 1 to December 31, 1878, both days inclusive, and of the payments made up to and including the date hereof, for and on account of each appropriation.

Title of Appropriations.	Am't of Appropriations.	Payments.
City Contingencies.....	\$1,250 00	\$263 50
Contingencies—Clerk of the Common Council.....	250 00	.....
Salaries—Common Council.....	106,000 00	18,093 08
JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.		

Which was ordered on file.

The President laid before the Board the following communication :

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN,
No. 9 CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, March 1, 1878.

To the Hon. the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York :

GENTLEMEN—Pursuant to instructions given me by a resolution adopted by your Honorable Body on the 12th and approved by his Honor the Mayor on the 15th ultimo, to transmit to Congress properly certified copies of a memorial of the Common Council of the City of New York, praying for the passage of an act, then pending, making an appropriation for the work of improving the navigation of the Harlem river and Spuyten Duyvil Creek, such copies were forwarded to the Hon. Francis Kernan, one of the United States Senators from this State, and the Hon. Fernando Wood, a member of the House of Representatives from this city, for presentation in the Houses of Congress, accompanied by a personal letter, and in reply have received the following, which are respectfully submitted for your information.

Very respectfully,

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk.

WASHINGTON, February 26, 1878.

F. J. TWOMEY, Esq.:

DEAR SIR—Your favor, with resolution and memorial of the Mayor and Common Council of the City of New York for the passage of an act for the improvement of the Harlem river and Spuyten Duyvil Creek, was duly received.

I have presented the memorial and resolution to the Senate, and the same were referred to the Committee on Commerce and Navigation, before which the proposed act is pending. I will do all in my power to further the measure.

Yours respectfully,

FRANCIS KERNAN.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS,
WASHINGTON, D. C., February 18, 1878.

F. J. TWOMEY, Esq.:

DEAR SIR—I have received the resolutions of the Common Council of the City of New York and the memorial, referring to an appropriation for the improvement of Harlem river, and as requested will present them to the House of Representatives.

Very truly yours,

FERNANDO WOOD.

Which was ordered on file.

INVITATIONS RESUMED.

An invitation was received to witness the operation of lighting street-lamps in Madison square by electricity.

Which was ordered on file.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

By Alderman Reilly—

Resolved, That Max Platzek be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Max Platzek, whose term of office expired March 2, 1878.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Hall, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Pinckney, Reilly, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Waehner—21.

By Alderman Waehner—

Resolved, That Timothy Donovan be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS RESUMED.

Alderman Keenan called up G. O. 26, being a resolution, as follows :

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in Eighty-fifth street, between Avenue A and Avenue B, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Hall, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Reilly, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Waehner—21.

Alderman Kiernan called up G. O. 67, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows :

Resolved, That the vacant lots on the northeast corner of Eighty-third street and Second avenue, being twenty-five feet front on Second avenue, and running easterly two hundred feet, be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Gedney, Guntzer, Hall, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Waehner—20.

Alderman Phillips called up G. O. 21, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows :

Resolved, That Seventy-seventh street, between Third avenue and East river, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, and that at the several intersecting streets and avenues crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Hall, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Sauer, Sheils, and Waehner—21.

Alderman Phillips called up G. O. 34, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows :

Resolved, That Fourth avenue, from Sixty-seventh street to north side of Ninety-fourth street, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, and that at the several intersecting streets and avenues crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement; that the pavement adjoining the parks, laid out in pursuance of chapter 528, Laws of 1873, be protected by a proper curb-stone, and that the curb and gutter be set and reset, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Hall, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Waehner—22.

Alderman Waehner called up G. O. 64, being a resolution, as follows :

Resolved, That the Common Council, the authorized representatives of the people of the City of New York, hereby respectfully, yet in the most earnest manner, remonstrate and protest against the passage by the Legislature of this State of the act entitled "An act to amend an act to provide for a uniform system for the repavement of streets, avenues, and public places in the City of New York," passed May 28, 1875; also against the passage of the act entitled "An act to amend chapter 477 of the Laws of 1875, entitled 'An act to amend an act to provide a further supply of pure and wholesome water for the City of New York,'" passed February 27, 1871; and also an act to amend an act to re-enact and amend the same, passed April 6, 1871; also to "extend the distribution of Croton water through the City of New York, including the two new wards, and to lay the necessary mains therefor, and to deliver it at a higher elevation," passed May 28, 1875, and we hereby respectfully request the Senators and Assemblymen for this city to use every honorable means to prevent the passage of the above-mentioned bills; and be it further

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be and he is hereby respectfully requested to cause a copy of the foregoing resolution to be duly authenticated and transmitted to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the Assembly, with a request that it be presented in both Houses as the protest of the Common Council of the City of New York against the passage of said bills; and be it further

Resolved, That the foregoing report, together with the accompanying papers, be printed in document form and a copy transmitted to each member of the Senate and Assembly, and also a copy to his Excellency Governor Lucius Robinson, together with a report of the minority of the Committee in favor of the passage of the bills.

Alderman Sheils moved the adoption of the resolution reported by the majority of the Committee. Alderman Pinckney moved to substitute the recommendation of the minority of the Committee for the resolution reported by the majority.

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

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

Affirmative—Aldermen Biglin, Ehrhart, Guntzer, Jacobus, Kiernan, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, and Reilly—10.

Negative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Carroll, Foster, Guntzer, Hall, Keenan, Lewis, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Waehner—12.

The President then put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolutions reported by the majority of the Committee.

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division called by Alderman Pinckney, viz.:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Carroll, Foster, Guntzer, Hall, Keenan, Lewis, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Waehner—12.

Negative—Aldermen Biglin, Ehrhart, Gedney, Jacobus, Kiernan, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, and Reilly—10.

Alderman Waehner called up G. O. 50, being a resolution, as follows :

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw a warrant in favor of James W. McGowan for the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, to be in full for services rendered the Special Committee on investigating "ring frauds," from August 21 to and including December 24, 1877, and charge the amount to the appropriation for "City Contingencies" for the year 1878.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Hall, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Phillips, Reilly, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Waehner—19.

Negative—Aldermen Morris, Perley, and Pinckney—3.

Alderman Bennett called up G. O. 44, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows :

Resolved, That a free drinking-hydrant for man and beast be placed on the south side of Eighty-first street, 125 feet west of Eleventh avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Hall, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Waehner—21.

Negative—Alderman Jacobus—1.

Alderman Bennett called up G. O. 58, being a resolution, as follows :

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in Tenth avenue, between Seventy-second and Seventy-seventh streets, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Hall, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Pinckney, Reilly, Sauer, Sheils, and Slevin—20.

Negative—Aldermen Phillips and Waehner—2.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

Alderman Morris moved that the Board do now adjourn.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the President announced that the Board stood adjourned until Tuesday, 12th instant, at 2 o'clock P. M.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE.

Abstract of transactions of the Department of Finance for the week ending March 2, 1878.

Deposits in the Treasury.	
On account of the Sinking Fund.....	\$36,928 18
“ “ City Treasury.....	484,646 95
Total.....	521,575 13

Bonds Issued.	
Five per cent. Bonds.....	\$298,000 00

Warrants Registered and Ready for Payment.	
Additional Free Floating Bonds.....	\$916 65
Advertising.....	29 40
Armories and Drill Rooms—For Wages of Armors.....	168 00
Assessment Fund Stock.....	100,000 00
Board of Estimate and Apportionment—Expenses of.....	166 66
City Contingencies.....	263 50
City Parks Improvement Fund.....	300 50
CITY RECORD—Salaries and Contingencies.....	395 83
Cleaning Markets.....	1,694 70
Cleaning streets under Police Department.....	58,333 33
College of the City of New York.....	10,072 42
Commissioners of Excise Fund.....	3,849 02
Contingencies—Comptroller's Office.....	466 96
“ Department of Buildings.....	75 00
“ District Attorney's Office.....	306 80
“ Law Department.....	676 27
“ Public Administrator's Office.....	72 00
Coroners' Fees.....	291 66
Dock Fund.....	2,228 25
Election Expenses.....	426 66
Fire Department Fund.....	83,234 51
For Removal of Night-soil, Offal, and Dead Animals.....	3,333 33
Fund for Small-pox Hospital and Care of Contagious Diseases.....	577 83
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs, Improvements, and Maintenance.....	260 96
Incumbrances in Harbor—Removal of.....	1,000 00
Interest on the City Debt.....	17,221 35
Judgments.....	508 42
Lamps and Gas.....	706 26
Maintenance and Government of Parks and Places.....	6,626 22
Maintenance and Government of Public Places, Roads, Avenues, and Bridges, including Bridges over Bronx river, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.....	8 30
Museum of Art Fund.....	206 80
Museum of Natural History Fund.....	618 70
New County Court-house.....	833 30
Police Fund.....	267,179 16
Police Station-houses, Alterations, etc.....	1,666 66
Printing, Stationery, and Blank Books.....	1,218 20
Public Buildings—Construction and Repairs.....	236 73
Public Charities and Correction.....	26,228 40
Public Instruction.....	182,776 90
Publication of CITY RECORD.....	2,044 43
Redemption of the Debt of the Annexed Territory of Westchester County.....	13,291 97
Refunding Assessments Paid in Error.....	209 58
Refunding Taxes Paid in Error.....	256 27
Removing Obstructions in Streets and Avenues.....	112 53
Rents—Leases in Force.....	250 00
Revenue Bonds of 1878.....	157 50
Salary of Physician to the Jail of the City and County of New York.....	50 00
Salaries—Board of Assessors.....	1,483 33
“ Bureau of Permits.....	798 49
“ Chamberlain's Office.....	2,500 00
“ City Courts.....	18,124 82
“ Commissioners of Accounts.....	977 33
“ Common Council.....	9,083 22
“ Department of Buildings.....	6,671 36
“ Department of Public Works.....	7,829 07
“ Department of Taxes and Assessments.....	7,696 36

Salaries—Finance Department.....	15,084 27
“ Judiciary.....	47,893 26
“ Law Department.....	8,981 76
“ Mayor's Office.....	2,420 83
Street Improvement Fund.....	1,713 60
Street Improvements above Fifty-ninth Street.....	8 75
Supplies for and Cleaning Public Offices.....	63 00
Supplies for Police.....	5,000 00
Surveying, Laying-out, Monumenting, etc., Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards..	38 75
Total.....	\$927,916 12

SUITS, ORDERS OF COURT, JUDGMENTS, Etc.

COURT.	PLAINTIFF OR RELATOR.	AMOUNT.	NATURE OF ACTION, ETC.	ATTORNEY.
Supreme..	August Kennenbly...	\$48 61	For return of assessment paid in 1873, for paving Delancey street, Bowery to East river.....	A. B. Johnson.
“	N. Y., New Haven, & Hartford Railway Company.....	2,350 10	For return of assessment paid July 10, 1872 for paving Franklin street, Elm to Centre street.....	Develin & Miller.
“	Trustees of Columbia College in City of New York.....	.....	To have taxes of 1870, 1871, 1872, and 1873, on Lot No. 40, Block No. 434, Nineteenth Ward, vacated.....	G. D. L. Harrison.
“	W. C. Palmer, Jr.....	66 33	For return of assessment paid February 10, 1874, for extension of sewer in Fifth avenue, No. 63½, Block No. 511.....	A. B. Johnson.
“	Samuel Putnam.....	190 84	Notice of Judgment.....	“
“	N. Y. Gas-light Co.....	736 25	“	H. H. Anderson.
“	Alfred J. Bloor.....	225 00	For surveys of unsafe buildings, made in 1875 and 1876.....	Strong & Spear.
“	Richard M. Upjohn.....	125 00	For surveys of unsafe buildings, made in 1875, 1876, and 1877.....	“
“	Napoleon Le Brun.....	225 00	For surveys of unsafe buildings, made in 1875, 1876, and 1877.....	“
“	Maria L. McClellan.....	65 00	For award for damage made in matter of grading One Hundred and Eleventh street, Sixth and Lexington avenues.....	Jas. Henderson.
“	Thomas Graham.....	.....	Order to reduce assessment for grading Willis avenue, One Hundred and Thirty-eighth to One Hundred and Forty-fifth street.....	A. B. Johnson.
“	E. H. Fairchild.....	1,670 58	Notice of Judgment.....	Strahan & Findley.
“	Frederick Depeyster.....	.....	Order to vacate assessment sale for sewer in Seventieth street, Hudson river to Tenth avenue.....	M. Canfield.
“	Augustus Adams.....	68 89	Notice of Judgment.....	E. Sandford.
“	Isaac Lunney.....	20,000 00	For damages for loss of profits in matter of regulating Ninety-ninth street, First to Third avenue.....	J. A. Deering.
Com.Pleas	Henry Klein.....	25,000 00	For damages for personal injuries received by falling over flag-pole at Canal, Ludlow, and Division streets, on March 24, 1877.....	Field & Deyo.
Superior..	Wm. A. Sweeney.....	7,280 76	For balance of contract, made with Herman Polye, for regulating, etc., Seventy-seventh street, First avenue to East river.....	L. L. Kellogg.

CLAIMS FILED.

NAME OF CLAIMANT.	AMOUNT.	NATURE OF CLAIM.	ATTORNEY.
Maria L. McClellan.....	\$65 00	For award for damages in matter of regulating One Hundred and Eleventh street, Fourth to Fifth avenue	J. Henderson.
James Raynor.....	58 00	For return of assessment for paving Broome street, Norfolk street to East river.....	A. B. Johnson.
Philip Hogan.....	72 50	To set aside assessment sale for regulating, etc., One Hundred and Forty-sixth street, Boston road to St. Ann's avenue, which assessment was paid on Lot 28, Block 20, late town of Morrisania.....	Purroy & Butzel.
Edward Riley.....	350 00	For damages for loss of horse, on northeast corner of Broadway and Leonard street, October 20, 1877.....	N. Smith & L.
Patrick McDermott.....	.....	For rent of premises on Morris street, Tremont, to January 1, 1877, occupied by Chemical Engine Co.....	Purroy & Butzel.
Edward D. Beekman, ass'ee	575 00	For salary of Thomas Carroll, Attendant in Superior Court, June 1, 1870, to May 1, 1872.....	E. Sandford.
Hibbard Youngs.....	3,000 00	For damages for loss of canal boat, "Herbert Phelps," sunk off Blackwell's Island by steam tug "Fidelity,"	E. D. McCarthy.
Augustus Adams.....	100 00	For balance of salary as Attendant, Marine Court, January 1 to April 30, 1872.....	E. Sandford.
Tripp, Rogers & Co.....	830 05	Claim against contractor for regulating, etc., Seventieth street, Third avenue to East river, for laborers and material.....	

CONTRACTS REGISTERED.

NO.	DATE OF CONTRACT.	DEPARTMENT.	NAMES OF CONTRACTORS	DESCRIPTION OF WORK.
4264	Oct. 23, 1877	Board of Education...	James Harrison and Patrick Crotty.....	Grading the site of Grammar School No. 63, Twenty-fourth Ward. Total cost, \$800.

Opening of Proposals.

The Comptroller, by representative, attended the opening of proposals at the Department of Docks, for furnishing granite stones for bulkhead or river wall.

Approval of Sureties on Proposals.

The Comptroller approved of the adequacy and sufficiency of the sureties on the following proposals, viz.:

February 25—For alterations and repairs of building Nos. 22, 24, and 26 Chambers street, for Fire Department.

James V. Donovan, 401 West Twenty-seventh street, Principal.
Francis Cook, 122 West Thirty-fifth street, } Sureties.
Silas J. Donovan, 334 West Twenty-seventh street, }

February 25—For furnishing 20,000 yards denims for use of the Department of Public Charities and Correction.

Patrick McCann, 564 Third avenue, Principal.
Wm. E. Crandall, 569 Third avenue, } Sureties.
Chas. F. Crandall, 569 Third avenue, }

Official Designation.

Designation of Richard A. Storrs, Deputy Comptroller, to act as Comptroller on February 26, 1878, in pursuance of section 32 of the Charter.

Promotion.

Joseph Haag, from Assistant Bookkeeper, Comptroller's Office, to First Assistant Bookkeeper, Comptroller's Office, with compensation at the rate of \$1,500 per annum, from February 5, 1878.

Designation of Salaries.

Osborne Macdaniel, Assistant, Comptroller's Office, at the rate of \$4,000 per annum, from February 1, 1878.
James J. Martin, Clerk, Comptroller's Office, at the rate of \$1,500 per annum, from February 1, 1878.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The Board of Police met on the 1st day of March, 1878.
Present—Messrs. Smith, Wheeler, Erhardt, and Nichols, Commissioners.

Leaves of Absence Granted.

Captain Charles McDonnell, Eighth Precinct, half day.
Patrolman Herbert R. Sage, Fourth Precinct, three days, without pay.
“ Jacob M. Hendricks, Eighth Precinct, three days, without pay.

Parades Approved.

Morton Commandery K. T., February 26. Funeral.
Rheinisch Sharpshooters, February 26. Funeral.
Journeymen Bakers' Society, February 26. Funeral.
New York City Schuetzen Corps, February 28. Funeral.

Masked Balls Allowed.

Schwester Cirkel Frauen Verein, at Concordia Assembly Rooms, March 2, 1878.
Marchner Mannerchor, at Concordia Assembly Rooms, March 5, 1878.
Amdt Lodge 231, I. O. O. F., at Concordia Assembly Rooms, March 12, 1878.
Jefferson Lodge 118, K. S. B., at Concordia Assembly Rooms, March 29, 1878.
Asher Lodge 13, I. O. F. S. of I., at Teutonia Assembly Rooms, March 28, 1878.
Euphemia Sangerbund, at Germania Assembly Rooms, March 11, 1878.
Mardi Gras Association, at Tammany Hall, March 5, 1878.
Cercle Francais de Calypso, at Tammany Hall, March 12, 1878.
Independence Lodge No. 96, I. O. O. F., at Tammany Hall, March 14, 1878.
Social Reform Liedertafel, at Walhalla Hall, March 4, 1878.
Pfungstadter, etc., K. W. V., at Walhalla Hall, March 5, 1878.
Social Club, at Herman Hall, March 5, 1878.
N. Y. Union Musical Benevolent Society, at Pythagoras Hall, March 23, 1878.
Tailors' Association, at Germania Hall, March 5, 1878.
Krahkalia Verein, at Germania Hall, March 14, 1878.
Yorkville Hain 13, D. A. O. D., at Hamilton Hall, March 4, 1878.
Deutsche Soehne, at Central Hall, March 5, 1878.
German Fortbildungs, at Central Hall, March 11, 1878.
Germania Ladies' Benevolent Society, at Ninth Avenue Hall, March 16, 1878.
Queen Paulina Ladies' Benevolent Society, at Turn Hall, March 4, 1878.
Bohemia Pleasure Club, at Hubatcheks Hall, March 4, 1878.
Apollo Singing Society, at Turtle Bay Hall, March 4, 1878.
Harlem Mannerchor, at Harlem Music Hall, March 4, 1878.
Edwin Hotz Schuetzen Corps, at Butchers' Home, March 4, 1878.

Death Reported.

Patrolman Edward Dalton, Fifteenth Precinct, at 6.30 A. M. 28th February.
Report of Captain Mount, Nineteenth Precinct, transmitted by the Superintendent, relative to condition of manure dump foot of East 46th street, was ordered on file, and a copy to be forwarded to the Health Department.

Report of Captain McElwain, Seventh Precinct, relative to meritorious conduct of Patrolman William Brady in saving the life of George Smith, was referred to the Committee on Rules and Discipline.

An application of John Lechnert for reappointment as patrolman, was referred to the Committee on Rules and Discipline.

Resolved, That Patrolman James Thompson, Detective Squad, be granted permission to receive a reward of \$15 (subject to the deduction under the rule), from Count Kalowvrat.

Resolved, That the resolution of February 12, 1878, denying permission for Sergeant Keating, Twenty-ninth Precinct, and other members of the Police Athletic Club, to present Captain Williams with a gold badge, be reconsidered.

Resolved, That permission be granted to Captain Williams to receive a gold badge of the Police Athletic Club.

Resolved, That the pay-rolls of the Police Department and force for the month of February, 1878, amounting to \$230,613.28, as per schedule, be and are hereby ordered to be paid by the Treasurer—all voting aye:

PRECINCTS.	AMOUNT.	PRECINCTS.	AMOUNT.	PRECINCTS, ETC.	AMOUNT.
First.....	\$8,340 32	Nineteenth.....	\$6,316 86	Thirty-fourth.....	\$3,169 72
Fourth.....	11,001 35	Twentieth.....	6,382 43	Thirty-fifth.....	1,701 05
Fifth.....	8,944 20	Twenty-first.....	5,478 36	Nineteenth Sub.....	2,619 50
Seventh.....	5,848 23	Twenty-second.....	6,358 62	Mounted.....	2,079 54
Eighth.....	7,794 63	Twenty-third.....	5,555 63	Sanitary.....	938 77
Ninth.....	7,016 10	Twenty-fourth.....	3,257 33	Detailed.....	3,991 63
Tenth.....	5,701 01	Twenty-fifth.....	4,897 95	Detective.....	2,270 20
Eleventh.....	5,224 40	Twenty-sixth.....	5,095 54	E. Steamboat.....	4,591 21
Twelfth.....	5,000 06	Twenty-seventh.....	8,279 90	W. Steamboat.....	7,453 95
Thirteenth.....	5,018 74	Twenty-eighth.....	4,785 53	House Detention.....	267 70
Fourteenth.....	9,343 85	Twenty-ninth.....	9,359 05	First Inspection District.....	3,312 72
Fifteenth.....	8,026 17	Thirtieth.....	3,172 18	Second.....	2,217 98
Sixteenth.....	6,456 41	Thirty-first.....	4,118 75	Third.....	2,732 66
Seventeenth.....	7,017 74	Thirty-second.....	7,014 19	Fourth.....	519 80
Eighteenth.....	7,924 69	Thirty-third.....	3,497 63	Total.....	\$230,613 28

Resolved, That the following pay-rolls for the month of February, 1878, be and are hereby ordered to be paid by the Treasurer—all voting aye:

Central Department.....	\$11,674 93
Employees.....	1,191 65
Total.....	\$12,866 58

Resolved, That the following members of the force be and are hereby transferred to the Precincts designated:

Roundsman Charles Tiernan, from Fourth Precinct to Thirty-third Precinct.
“ Michael C. Daily, from Twentieth Precinct to Thirty-third Precinct.
Patrolman John Dougherty, from Fifteenth Precinct to Twenty-fifth Precinct.
“ Samuel S. Cox, from Twenty-fifth Precinct to Tenth Precinct.
“ Charles Kush, from Special Service Squad to Seventh Precinct.
“ Thomas Laird, from Special Service Squad to Western Steamboat Squad.

Resolved, That the detail of Patrolman Charles E. Pierce, Fifteenth Precinct, be and is hereby extended fifteen days.

Resignation Accepted.

Patrolman Garrett S. Walling, Thirty-second Precinct.

Judgments—Fines Imposed.

Patrolman Augustus B. Palmer, Fourteenth Precinct, five days' pay.

Complaints Dismissed.

Patrolman Thomas F. Regan, Seventh Precinct.
“ John Madison, Thirty-first Precinct.

Street Cleaning.

Resolved, That the following pay-rolls of the Bureau of Street Cleaning for the month of February, 1878, be and are hereby ordered to be paid by the Treasurer, all voting aye:

Deputy Inspector, Clerks, etc.,.....	\$1,408 32
Foremen.....	1,666 60
Inspectors.....	933 24
Steam tug "Grant".....	\$395 00
“ “ “Parks”.....	311 06
Detailed Gangmen and Laborers.....	422 00
Total.....	\$5,136 22

Adjourned.

S. C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

thereby to be an offset for the portion made
solid filling)

SUPREME COURT.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Works for and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street from the northeasterly line of Lawrence street, parallel with One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street, to the westerly side of a certain road or avenue in the City of New York, closed by act of the Legislature, chapter 290, section 10, passed April 5, 1871; as said One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street appears upon a map made by the Commissioners of the Central Park and filed in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York, on October 23, 1867.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMISSIONERS of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants, of all houses and lots and improved or 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 these proceedings, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to Elliot F. Shepard, Esq., our Chairman, at the office of the Commissioners, No. 154 Nassau street (Room No. 22), in the said city, on or before the thirtieth day of March, 1878, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within ten week-days next after the said thirtieth day of March, 1878, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Second—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates, and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, in the City of New York, there to remain until the fourth day of April, 1878.

Third—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All those lots, pieces, or parcels of land situate, lying, and being in the City of New York, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the northerly line of One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street with the northeasterly line of Lawrence street, running thence northerly and at right angles to said One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street 100 feet; thence easterly and parallel with One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street 610 feet and 8 1/2 inches to what was formerly the easterly line of a certain new avenue closed by an act of the Legislature, passed April 5th, 1871 (Laws of 1871, chapter 290); thence in a southerly direction 281 feet and 7 inches to a point; thence westerly and parallel to One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street 408 feet and 10 inches to the northeasterly line of Lawrence street; thence northwesterly along the northeasterly line of Lawrence street 217 feet and 6 inches, be the same more or less, to the corner formed by the intersection of the northeasterly line of Lawrence street with the southerly line of One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street; thence easterly along the southerly line of One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street 493 feet and 3/4 of an inch to the westerly line of said new avenue closed by an act of the Legislature passed April 5, 1871, as aforesaid; thence northerly along the westerly line of said new avenue, closed as aforesaid, 63 feet and 8 1/2 inches to the northerly line of One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street; thence westerly along the northerly line of One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street 585 feet and 7 1/4 inches to the point or place of beginning.

Also all those other certain lots, pieces or parcels of land bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the southwesterly side of Lawrence street, distant 206 feet and 3 inches from a point formed by the intersection of the northwesterly line of Lawrence street with the easterly side of the Tenth avenue; running thence northeasterly along the southwesterly line of Lawrence street, 185 feet 3 inches to a point; thence westerly and parallel to One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, 164 feet and 4 inches to a point; thence northerly and at right angles to said One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, 85 feet and 4 inches to the point or place of beginning.

Fourth—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 the New Court-house, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the twelfth day of April, 1878, 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, February 19, 1878.

ELLIOT F. SHEPARD,
NEVIN W. BUTLER,
LOUIS MESIER,
Commissioners.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
No. 16 NEW COURT-HOUSE, CITY HALL PARK,
NEW YORK, February 27, 1878.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED FEBRUARY 21 AND ENTERED FEBRUARY 23, 1878.

James Slip Sewer, alterations and extension of, 43d street, flagging north side, from 9th to 10th avenue.

56th street, flagging north side, from 6th to 7th avenue.

58th street, flagging south side, from Broadway to 7th avenue.

58th street, flagging north side, from 8th to 9th avenue.

79th street, flagging north side, from 9th avenue to Boulevard.

120th street, flagging north side, from 1st avenue to Avenue A.

76th street, curb, gutter, and flagging, from 1st to 2d avenue, etc.

118th street, fencing vacant lots, between 1st and 2d avenues.

All payments made on the above assessments on or before April 28, 1878, will be exempt (according to law) from interest. After that date interest will be charged at the rate of seven (7) per cent. from the date of entry.

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

EDWARD GILON,
Collector of Assessments.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,

BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
No. 16 NEW COURT-HOUSE, CITY HALL PARK,
NEW YORK, January 7, 1878.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED AND ENTERED DECEMBER 31, 1877.

96th street, sewer, between 8th and 10th avenues.

44th street, regulating, grading, etc., from 1st to 3d avenue.

3d avenue, regulating and paving, from Westchester avenue to 163d street.

3d avenue, regulating and paving, from 163d street to northern boundary 23d Ward.

All payments made on the above assessments on or before March 8, 1878, will be exempt (according to law) from interest. After that date interest will be charged at the rate of seven (7) per cent. from the date of confirmation.

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

EDWARD GILON,
Collector of Assessments.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
No. 16 NEW COURT-HOUSE, CITY HALL PARK,
NEW YORK, February 14, 1878.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED FEBRUARY 7, 1878; ENTERED FEBRUARY 8, 1878.

Avenue A, paving from 86th to 93d street.

All payments made on the above assessment on or before April 15, 1878, will be exempt (according to law) from interest. After that date interest will be charged at the rate of seven (7) per cent. from the date of entry.

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

EDWARD GILON,
Collector of Assessments.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
No. 16 NEW COURT-HOUSE, CITY HALL PARK,
NEW YORK, January 17, 1878.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED AND ENTERED DECEMBER 15, 1877.

Fourth avenue crosswalks, south side of Seventy-fifth street.

Fourth avenue crosswalks, south side of Eighty-first street.

All payments made on the above assessments on or before March 18, 1878, will be exempt (according to law) from interest. After that date interest will be charged at the rate of seven (7) per cent. from the date of confirmation.

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

EDWARD GILON,
Collector of Assessments.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
No. 16 NEW COURT-HOUSE, CITY HALL PARK,
NEW YORK, January 23, 1878.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED AND ENTERED JANUARY 17, 1878.

131st street, regulating, grading, etc., from 6th to 8th avenue.

Boston avenue (23d Ward), grading, etc., from 3d avenue to 165th street.

112th street, paving, from 3d avenue to Harlem river.

118th street, paving, from 3d avenue to Harlem river.

119th street, paving, from Avenue A to Harlem river.

50th street, fencing north side, between Lexington and 4th avenues.

Eastern Boulevard (Avenue B), regulating, grading, etc., from 79th to 86th street.

All payments made on the above assessments on or before March 25, 1878, will be exempt (according to law) from interest. After that date interest will be charged at the rate of seven (7) per cent. from the date of confirmation.

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

EDWARD GILON,
Collector of Assessments.

WILLIAM KENNELLY, AUCTIONEER.

SALE OF FERRY FRANCHISES.

THE FRANCHISES TO RUN THE FOLLOWING ferries and a lease of the wharf property belonging to the city, if any, set apart for ferry purposes at each of said ferries, will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, at the office of the Comptroller of the City of New York, on Thursday, November 8, 1877, at 12 o'clock, noon, for the period of five years from November 1, 1877, except as otherwise stated:

Ferry from Peck Slip, New York City, to the foot of One Hundred and Thirtieth street at Third avenue, Harlem, with an intermediate landing at or near Eighty-fourth street, East river.

Ferry from Fulton Market slip, New York City, to Mott Haven, with an intermediate landing at or near Eighty-fourth street, East river, until May 1, 1879.

Ferry as now established from foot of Roosevelt street, in the City of New York, East river, to South Seventh street, Brooklyn, Eastern District, together with the bulkheads and slips adjacent to and east of the wharf property at foot of Roosevelt street, East river, owned by the Bridge Company, and now occupied for said ferry.

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

The form of the lease required to be executed by the highest bidder can be seen at the office of the Comptroller.

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

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

The minimum rate for which the ferry franchise or license to operate such ferries shall be used or enjoyed has been appraised and set by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund at five per cent. per annum upon the gross receipts for ferriage collected at the New York landing-place for the ferry as now established from the foot of Roosevelt street, New York, to South Seventh street, Brooklyn, and at two and one-half per cent. per annum upon the gross receipts collected for ferriage for the ferries from Peck Slip, New York, to the foot of One Hundred and Thirtieth street, Third avenue, Harlem; and from Fulton Market slip, New York, to Mott Haven, such percentage to be paid quarterly-yearly to the Corporation, and a covenant will be contained in each lease requiring the lessees to make and deliver to the Comptroller of the City of New York, quarterly-yearly, a statement in writing, verified by oath or affirmation of the lessee, or of such proper officer of the lessee as may be designated by the Comptroller, of the actual total gross receipts for ferriage received by such lessee during the preceding three months, and also, that the lessee shall keep regular books of account, showing the daily gross receipts of the ferry lease, and allow said Comptroller, or any person designated by him, to examine such books.

The franchise will be put up and knocked down to the person offering to pay the largest percentage.

All moneys received for the conveyance of passengers, animals, vehicles, or freight from New York to be collected at the landing place in New York, or, if collected elsewhere, to be included in the receipts upon which such percentage is to be calculated and paid.

No bid less than such percentage on such gross receipts will be entertained.

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

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

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

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

The premises connected with the said ferry, to be taken in the condition in which they were in on the 1st day of August, 1877, and all repairs and rebuilding thereof, and dredging at said ferry during the term leased, to be done at the expense and cost of the lessees.

The purchaser of the lease will be required, at the time of the sale, and in addition to the auctioneer's fees, to pay to the Department of Docks twenty-five per cent. of the

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

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

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

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

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

By order of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

JOHN KELLY,
Comptroller.

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

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, November 1, 1877.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, November 15, 1877, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY,
Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, November 8, 1877.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, November 22, 1877, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY,
Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, November 15, 1877.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, December 13, 1877, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY,
Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, November 22, 1877.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, December 27, 1877, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY,
Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, December 13, 1877.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, January 10, 1878, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY,
Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, December 27, 1877.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, January 17, 1878, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY,
Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, January 10, 1878.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, January 31, 1878, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY,
Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, January 17, 1878.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, February 14, 1878, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY,
Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, January 31, 1878.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, February 28, 1878, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY,
Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, February 14, 1878.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, February 28, 1878, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY,
Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, February 14, 1878.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, March 14, 1878, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY,
Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, February 28, 1878.

WILLIAM KENNELLY, AUCTIONEER.

SALE OF FERRY FRANCHISE.

PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT.

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

Ferry from Ninety-second street, East river, to Astoria, Queens County, Long Island.

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

The form of the lease required to be executed by the highest bidder can be seen at the office of the Comptroller.

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

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

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

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

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

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

The premises connected with the said ferry, to be taken in the condition in which they were in on the 1st day of August, 1877, and all repairs and rebuilding thereof, and dredging at said ferry during the term leased, to be done at the expense and cost of the lessees.

The purchaser of the lease will be required, at the time of the sale, and in addition to the auctioneer's fees, to pay to the Department of Docks twenty-five per cent. of the

amount of the annual rent bid for the wharf property, as security for the execution of the lease, and which twenty-five per cent. will be applied to the payment of the rent for such property first accruing under the lease, when executed, or forfeited if the lessee neglects or refuses to execute the lease and bond after being duly notified that the lease is prepared and ready for signature, or, in case the bid be finally rejected, will be returned to the bidder.

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

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

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

By order of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

Dated New York, October 20, 1877.

JOHN KELLY,
Comptroller.

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

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, October 25, 1877.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, November 15, 1877, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY,
Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, November 8, 1877.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, November 22, 1877, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY,
Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, November 15, 1877.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, December 13, 1877, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY,
Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, November 22, 1877.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, December 27, 1877, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY,
Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, December 13, 1877.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, January 10, 1878, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY,
Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, December 27, 1877.