

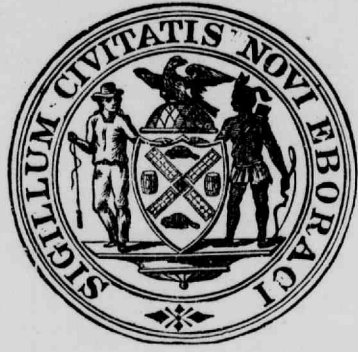
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APPROVED PAPERS.

Ordinances, Resolutions, etc., approved by the Mayor during the week ending February 2, 1878.

Resolved, That Michael Loftus be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of John Banghart, whose term of office has expired.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 26, 1878.
Approved by the Mayor, February 6, 1878.

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby granted to Millard F. Tompkins to place three awning posts in front of his premises, No. 400 Broome street, at his own expense, and under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 26, 1878.
Approved by the Mayor, February 6, 1878.

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to Adolph Jager to retain the posts now in front of his place of business, on the southwest corner of Hester and Forsyth streets, used by him for displaying meat, until otherwise ordered by the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 26, 1878.
Received from his Honor the Mayor, February 7, 1878, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 11, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the same became adopted.

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to I. Straus to erect an ornamental sign in front of his place of business, on the northeast corner of Third avenue and Eighty-fourth street, such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 26, 1878.
Approved by the Mayor, February 6, 1878.

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby requested to cause the crosswalks across Tenth avenue, from West street to Sixteenth street; to be repaired and put in good order.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 26, 1878.
Approved by the Mayor, February 6, 1878.

Resolved, That the Commissioners of Police be and they are hereby respectfully requested to re-establish the Sixth Police Precinct, and assign to duty therein the requisite police force; and the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and is hereby requested to provide the means necessary to repair, refit, and furnish the station-house in Franklin street, for the use and occupation of the said police force, by transfer of any available balances of appropriations of former years, or otherwise.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 26, 1878.
Approved by the Mayor, February 6, 1878.

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to William J. L. Davids to place two posts and a sign near the edge of the sidewalk in front of 1456 Third avenue; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 26, 1878.
Approved by the Mayor, February 6, 1878.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Murray Brothers to erect an ornamental iron post and sign on the sidewalk near the curbstone in front of No. 610 Sixth avenue, the post not to exceed four inches in diameter, and nine feet high, sign three by two and one-half feet, the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 29, 1878.
Approved by the Mayor, February 6, 1878.

Resolved, That James M. Turner be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in place of Thomas Vernon, whose term of office expires January 17, 1878.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 29, 1878.
Approved by the Mayor, February 6, 1878.

Resolved, That Patrick H. Maguire be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Jacob A. Geissenhainer, whose term of office expires on the 7th of February, 1878.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, February 5, 1878.
Approved by the Mayor, February 7, 1878.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY,
Clerk Common Council.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS, February 5, 1878.

W. DE F. DAY, M. D., *Sanitary Superintendent and Register:*

SIR—513 deaths were reported to have occurred in this city during the week ending February 2, 1878. This is an increase of 36 as compared with the preceding week, and 61 more than were reported during the corresponding week of 1877.

The actual mortality for the week ending January 26, was 493, which is 22 below the average number of deaths for the corresponding weeks of the past five years, and represents an annual death-rate of 23.63 per 1,000 of the population, which is estimated at 1,084,922.

The eight most prominent causes of death during the week were the following, viz.: Phthisis pulmonalis, 98; diseases of the brain and nervous system, 49; pneumonia, 48; bronchitis, 32; scarlatina, 31; Bright's disease, 21; and diphtheria and diseases of the heart, 20 each, making a total of 319 deaths, and representing 62.18 per cent. of the total weekly mortality. Compared with the preceding week scarlatina increased 7; croup, 8; whooping-cough, 1; erysipelas, 1; cerebro-spinal fever, 4; diarrhoeal diseases, 9; inanition, 4; alcoholism, 1; rheumatism and gout, 3; cancer, 7; phthisis pulmonalis, 18; bronchitis, 9. Diphtheria decreased 8; puerperal diseases, 2; pneumonia, 1; diseases of the heart, 1; aneurism, 1; diseases of the nervous system, 7; cirrhosis and hepatitis, 1; Bright's disease and nephritis, 2; cyanosis and atelectasis, 1, and premature and preterm birth, 9. Compared with the mortality of the corresponding week of 1877, the deaths from measles were 7 more; scarlatina, 10; diphtheria, 5; croup, 9; diarrhoeal diseases, 7; phthisis pulmonalis, 21; bronchitis, 8; diseases of the heart, 2; diseases of the brain and nervous system, 3; Bright's disease and nephritis, 2; and the deaths of children under 5 years, 33.

Of the total number of deaths reported for the week, 78 were in institutions, 281 in tenement-houses, 144 in houses containing three families or less, 6 in hotels and boarding-houses, 6 were on the basement floor, 96 on the first, 147 on the second, 114 on the third, 50 on the fourth, 18 on the fifth; 507 were stated to be residents of New York City and 6 non-residents, 49 were stated to be single, 142 married, 50 widowed, and the condition of 272 was not stated, these were children who had not attained a marriageable age.

The disposition of 501 deaths and still-births, or 90.43 per cent. of the total number reported, were in the following 14 cemeteries: Bayside (Jewish), 14; Calvary (Roman Catholic), 194; City pauper burial-ground (undenominational), 55; Greenwood (undenominational), 56; Lutheran (undenominational), 87; Cypress Hills (undenominational), 21; Evergreen (undenominational), 29; Woodlawn (undenominational), 12; St. Michael's (Protestant Episcopal), 14; Union (Methodist Protestant), 2; Holy Cross (Roman Catholic), 6; Machpelah, L. I. (Jewish), 2; St. Raymond's (Roman Catholic), 3; Washington (undenominational), 6.

The distribution of deaths for the week ending January 26, 1878, was in the following wards, viz.: First, 6; Second, 1; Third, 6; Fourth, 9; Fifth, 6; Sixth, 4; Seventh, 15; Eighth, 22; Ninth, 18; Tenth, 21; Eleventh, 32; Twelfth, 35; Thirteenth, 18; Fourteenth, 12; Fifteenth, 15; Sixteenth, 18; Seventeenth, 42; Eighteenth, 32; Nineteenth, 82; Twentieth, 30; Twenty-first, 22; Twenty-second, 35; Twenty-third, 10; Twenty-fourth, 2.

The mean temperature for the week ending February 2, 1878, was 26.4 degrees Fahr., the mean reading of the barometer was 29.923, the mean humidity was 85, saturation being 100, the number of miles traveled by the wind was 1,912, and the total amount of rain-fall was 1.07 inches depth of water, as reported by D. Draper, Director of the New York Meteorological Observatory, Central Park.

The annual death-rate per 1,000 persons living, of the estimated or enumerated population, according to the most recent weekly returns of Philadelphia, was 18.70; Brooklyn, 17.62; St. Louis, 10.92; Chicago, 15.48; Baltimore, 20.80; Boston, 18.42; New Orleans, 27.48; Cleveland, 15.08; Richmond, 16.90; Charleston, 27.62; Dayton, 8.43; Erie, 13.23; Lowell, 11.81; Worcester, 17.05; Cambridge, 17.37; Fall River, 11.33; Lynn, 11.06. Monthly returns—Yonkers, 14.95; Plattsburgh, 29.98. Foreign cities, weekly returns—London, 27.8; Liverpool, 27.8; Birmingham, 27.2; Manchester, 25.8; Glasgow, 29.0; Edinburgh, 27.6; Dundee, 26.4; Dublin, 27.8; Belfast, 32; Cork, 42; Brussels, 27.2; Antwerp, 23.6; Ghent, 33.7; Buda-Pesth, 40.5; Paris, 26.3; Naples, 39.3; Turin, 33.8; Venice, 27.8; Berlin, 28.2; Munich, 32; Breslau, 25.1; Vienna, 31.8; Trieste, 36.2; Copenhagen, 25.4; Stockholm, 22.7; Christiania, 18.8; Amsterdam, 34.4; Rotterdam, 32.0; The Hague, 37.1; Calcutta, 54.3; Bombay, 43.5; Madras, 88.9; Geneva (with suburbs), 29.6; Basel, 25.1; Bern, 30.4; Warsaw, 36.4; St. Petersburg, 45.73.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN T. NAGLE, M. D.,
Deputy Register of Records.

Births* reported during the week ending February 2, 1878.

TOTAL.	COLOR.		SEX.		NATIVITY OF PARENTS.								NAME OF CHILD.			
	White.	Colored.	Male.	Female.	Not stated.	Foreign.	Native.	Foreign Father only.	Foreign Mother only.	NATIVITY OF FATHER STATED ONLY.		NATIVITY OF MOTHER STATED ONLY.		Not stated.	Stated.	Not stated.
										Native.	Foreign.	Native.	Foreign.			
589	582	7	321	268	....	328	156	79	27	....	....	4	5	....	412	177

Marriages* reported during the week ending February 2, 1878.

TOTAL.	COLOR.		NATIVITY.						CONDITION.											
	White.	Colored.	FOREIGN.		NATIVE.		BORN AT SEA.	NOT STATED.	FIRST MARRIAGE.	SECOND MARRIAGE.	THIRD MARRIAGE.	FOURTH MARRIAGE.	NOT STATED.							
			Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.							Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.				
130	123	7	73	55	56	74	1	1	106	111	21	14	..	1	3	4

* The returns of births, marriages, and still-births are incomplete.

BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS.

REPORTED MORTALITY* for the week ending February 2, 1878, together with the ACTUAL MORTALITY for the week ending January 26, 1878.

W. DE F. DAY, M. D., Sanitary Superintendent and Register:

SIR—There were 513 deaths reported to have occurred in this city during the week ending Saturday, February 2, 1878, which is an increase of 36, as compared with the number reported the preceding week, and 61 more than were reported during the corresponding week of the year 1877. The actual mortality for the week ending January 26, 1878, was 493, which is 22.0 below the average for the corresponding week of the past five years, and represents an annual death-rate of 23.63 per 1,000 persons living, the population estimated at 1,084,922.

Table showing the Reported Mortality for the week ending Feb. 2, 1878, and the Actual Number of Deaths each day, from the Principal Causes, with the Ages of Decedents, for the week ending Jan. 26, 1878.

Main table with columns for METEOROLOGY, CAUSES OF DEATH, DATE (Jan. 20-26), AGE BY YEARS (Under 1 year to 70 and over), SEX (Male, Female), and COLORED. Includes sub-totals for Total Deaths from all Causes, Total Zymotic Diseases, etc.

* Refers to the number of death certificates received.

DEATHS FROM ZYMOTIC DISEASES. NEW YORK.—DEATHS FROM SMALL-POX, MEASLES, SCARLATINA, DIPHThERIA, CROUP, WHOOPING COUGH, TYPHOID FEVER, TYPHUS FEVER, MALARIAL FEVERS, PUERPERAL FEVER, ALL DIARRHEAL DISEASES, CEREBRO-SPINAL FEVER, OTHER ZYMOTIC DISEASES, AND OTHER ZYMOTIC MALADIES, AND OTHER ZYMOTIC DISEASES. Actual Mortality during the Week ending January 26, 1878. Includes columns for WARDS, AREA IN ACRES, various disease categories, and REMARKS.

* 6,267 in Asylums and Penal Institutions.

Very respectfully submitted,

JOHN T. NAGLE, M.D., Deputy Register of Records.

Nativity of those who were Married, and the Parents of the Births and Still-Births, for the week ending February 2, 1878, and those who Died (actual mortality), week ending January 26, 1878.

Table with columns: NATIVITY OF DECEASED, COUNTRY, NATIVITY OF PARENTS OF DECEASED (Father, Mother), BIRTHS (Nativity of Father, Nativity of Mother), MARRIAGES (Nativity of Groom, Nativity of Bride), STILL-BIRTHS (Nativity of Father, Nativity of Mother). Rows list countries like Austria, British America, England, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Poland, Scotland, Switzerland, United States, West Indies, and Other countries.

Still-Births reported during the week ending February 2, 1878.

Table with columns: SEX (Male, Female, Not stated), COLOR (White, Not stated), NATIVITY OF (FATHER, MOTHER), PERIOD OF UTERO-GESTATION (MONTH). Rows include totals for various categories.

Deaths reported during the week ending February 2, 1878.

Table with columns: PLACE OF DEATH (Institutions, Tenement-houses, Houses containing three families or less, Hotels and Boarding-houses, In Rivers, Streets, Boats, etc.), RESIDENCE (New York City, Outside New York City), CONDITION (Single, Married, Widowed, Not stated). Rows include totals for various locations and conditions.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

Abstract of the proceedings of the Department of Public Parks, for the two weeks ending Saturday, the 2d February, 1878.

Meeting held January 23, 1878.

The following proposals were received and publicly opened in the presence of the Comptroller of the City, and of such of the bidders as desired to be present, viz :

I.—A bridge and entrance porch to the Museum of Natural History Building :

Table listing proposals for bridge and entrance porch with names and amounts: 1. George Fischer & Brother \$5,538 00, 2. Mahony Brothers 6,500 00, 3. Gibb & O'Reilly 5,185 00, 4. John McGuire 6,587 00, 5. Morton & Chesley 6,976 00, 6. John Kerby 7,280 00, 7. Austin Gibbins 6,600 00, 8. J. V. Donvan 6,381 00.

II.—The tiler's work for said bridge and entrance porch :

Table listing proposals for tiler's work with names and amounts: 1. Thomas Aspinwall & Son \$595 00, 2. Edward Boote 550 00, 3. Miller & Coates 518 00.

The employment of Mr. F. Greiffenberg as a draughtsman was continued from the 15th instant, during the illness of Mr. T. J. O'Sullivan, or until the further order of the Board.

The exchange of two pair of European Swans and one pair of Pea fowl for two pair of Trumpeter Swans, and other birds and animals required in the Menagerie to the value of \$15.00 was authorized.

Gutters were directed to be placed along the cages of the carnivorous animals in the Menagerie in such a manner that a constant stream of water shall flow through them.

The following preambles and resolutions were adopted :

Whereas, The contract for regulating and grading Concord avenue, awarded by the Trustees of Morrisania to James Finnegan, has been heretofore assigned to and vested in Peter V. Clarke ; and

Whereas, Said Peter V. Clarke has, by instrument bearing date the 10th day of January, 1878, assigned said contract to Francis McCabe ;

Resolved, That the said Francis McCabe be and hereby is allowed and directed, as the assignee of said contract, to proceed with and complete said work ;

Resolved, That the President be requested to prepare a bill to be sent to the Legislature for an appropriation in aid of the construction work of this Department, and a suitable memorial stating the reasons for its passage ;

Resolved, That the President be requested to prepare a full statement in writing of the present maintenance work of the Department and what shall be proceeded with, and what laid over during the present year, and also what works of construction should be proceeded with, and what amount of money will be required therefor, the same to be reported in detail.

Mary Bergen and Julia Malone, Ladies' Maids in the cottages on Central Park at Sixth avenue and One Hundred and Tenth street, and on Washington square, were allowed pay for the few days said cottages were closed subsequent to the 5th January, 1878.

The President was authorized to make arrangements to have the Department supplied with printed copies of the bills introduced in the Legislature.

MEETING HELD JANUARY 30, 1878.

Mr. John A. Bouker was authorized to be paid \$6.49 for broken trap-rock, delivered by him in excess of the amount called for by his contract.

A plank walk, five feet wide, was ordered to be laid on the path leading to the deer paddock at the Menagerie.

The south wing of the old Claremont Hotel, on Riverside Park, was ordered to be sold by auction, on condition that the purchaser remove it at his expense within ten days after the sale.

A Zebu Bull was authorized to be exchanged for \$80 worth of such animals as are required in the Menagerie.

Mr. S. R. Schott, Division Engineer, was granted one month's leave of absence from February 1, 1878, without pay, on account of ill health.

The quarterly report was approved and directed to be transmitted to his Honor the Mayor.

A bill for \$197.12, presented by Mr. Calvert Vaux, Architect, for commissions on the amount of work done by the Park force in 1872 and 1873, in the preparation of foundations for the Museum of Natural History building, was approved.

The application of Mr. J. J. Snow, to place pony phaetons on Central Park, was refused.

The following resolutions were adopted :

Resolved, That the Superintendent of Parks be authorized to detail not more than six laborers and mechanics to make necessary repairs in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, until the further order of the Board.

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Appropriation be and hereby is requested to transfer the sum of one hundred and thirty-four dollars and seventy-three cents from the appropriation for "surveying, laying-out, monumenting, etc., north end of the island and Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards," for 1875, for the purposes of which it is not required, to the appropriation for "surveying, laying-out, and monumenting Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, including north end of the island," for 1877, which is insufficient.

Resolved, That Mr. Wm. R. Martin be requested to present his report upon Riverside avenue contract at the next meeting of the Board, and that he be invited to be present at the meeting.

Resolved, That the amended contract or agreement with the American Museum of Natural History, presented by the President, be approved when further amended as suggested by Mr. R. L. Stuart and Mr. Joseph H. Choate ; that the President and Secretary of the Department be and hereby are authorized to execute said contract or agreement, in duplicate, for and on behalf of this Department ; and that when it is so executed and completed, it be printed as a document of the Board.

Resolved, That the proposal (No. 3) of Messrs. Gibb & O'Reilly, for the construction and erection of a bridge and entrance porch to the Museum of Natural History building, be accepted as the lowest bid ; that the contract be and hereby is awarded to said Messrs. Gibb & O'Reilly therefor, and that the President be and hereby is authorized to execute same for and on behalf of this Department.

Resolved, That the proposal (No. 3) of Messrs. Miller & Coates, for the tiler's work for the bridge and entrance porch to the Museum of Natural History building, be accepted as the lowest bid ; that the contract therefor be and hereby is awarded to said Messrs. Miller & Coates, and that the President be and hereby is authorized to execute same for and on behalf of this Department.

The following by-laws for the government of the Department were adopted :

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.

Meetings.

Section 1. All meetings of the Board of Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks shall be held at their office, unless otherwise ordered by the Board.

Sec. 2. Stated meetings shall be held the first and third Wednesdays of each month. Other meetings may be held by adjournment, on the call of the President, or at the written request of two members. The notices of the meetings called by the President, or by any two members, shall state the matter to be presented at such proposed meeting, and no other matter shall be acted on at such meetings, except by the consent of a majority of the members then present.

Sec. 3. Meetings of the Board shall be held at 10 o'clock A. M., unless the Board otherwise orders.

Sec. 4. Notices of meetings shall be sent to each Commissioner, at his place of address, by the Secretary, at least two days before the day of the meeting for which notice is given.

ARTICLE II.

Officers.

Section 1. The officers of the Board shall be as follows: 1st. A President; 2d. A Treasurer; each of whom shall hold office until the first day of May next succeeding his election, and until his successor is elected.

President.

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board, and shall, at the regular meeting next succeeding his election, appoint and announce all the standing committees.

Any Commissioner having a majority of the votes of the members present shall, in the absence of the President, preside.

The presiding officer shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Board.

Treasurer.

The Treasurer shall perform such duties as may, from time to time, be indicated by the Board, and may receive such compensation as may be determined by the Board.

In the event of the death, resignation or removal of any of the officers of the Board, a successor may be elected at the regular meeting next succeeding such death, resignation or removal.

Sec. 2. There shall be a Superintendent of Parks, whose duty it shall be to supervise and direct all the ordinary work of maintenance and repairs, including gardening on parks and places, and shall supervise all the actual labor employed in the construction and management of the parks and places, including that required for gardening purposes.

Sec. 3. There shall be a Secretary and a Disbursing Clerk, the latter of whom shall likewise act as Property Clerk, and have charge of, and be responsible for, all tools, implements and material of the Department, and shall, on the first day of January and July, in each year, submit to the Board an inventory of such property, and the condition thereof.

The said Disbursing Clerk shall give such security for the faithful performance of his duties as the Board may require.

There shall be such other employees as may be determined by the Board, all of whom shall perform such services as, from time to time, may be required by the Board.

Sec. 4. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the meetings of the Board, shall issue the notices for such meetings, and shall perform such duties as shall be required by the Board.

Sec. 5. There shall be a Civil and Topographical Engineer connected with this Department in charge of the works relating to the laying out of streets and avenues, as may be directed by the Board.

There shall be a Bureau of Construction connected with this Department, the Engineer placed at the head of which shall have charge of construction works in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, and also of the construction and repairs of all works connected with the improvement of the navigation of Harlem river and Spuyten Duyvil Creek, and the tunnels and bridges connected with the same.

Sec. 6. There shall be a Captain of Police, whose duty it shall be to direct and supervise the various Park-keepers in the employ of the Department, and to report daily to the Board everything relating to the force under his command, in the form, manner and under such regulations as may be prescribed by the Board, and furnish a copy of such report to the Board.

Sec. 7. There shall be four Sergeants of Police, whose number may, from time to time, be increased, as may be required, and who shall assist the Captain in the discharge of his duties.

All appointments to, and removals from this force shall be by the order of the Board ; and all trials of Park-keepers for violation of the rules and regulations of the Department shall be conducted by the President, or by a Commissioner designated by him for that purpose.

ARTICLE III.

General Provisions.

Section 1. No person in the service of the Board shall be absent from duty without an excuse therefor satisfactory to the President.

Sec. 2. No committee, officer or member of this Department, or person employed by this Board, shall make any purchases, give any order, incur any liability, or exercise any authority over, or in relation to the Parks, officers or employees, unless in pursuance of power delegated by the order of the Board, or by the act by which it is organized.

Sec. 3. Any employee of the Department may at any time be suspended from duty, by writing signed by two members of the Board ; but such suspension shall not continue beyond the next meeting of the Board, unless otherwise directed.

Sec. 4. All appointments shall be made by the Board.

Sec. 5. Before any engagement is made to place a statue, or allow a statue to be placed on the Parks, it shall be seen in a finished condition, or in the form of a finished model, and a judgment as to its merits, as a work of art, shall have been requested of the respective Presidents of the National Academy of Design, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and the New York Chapter of the American Institute of Architects.

The determination of a site for any statue shall be reserved until after its acceptance.

On each side of the main walk of the Mall in Central Park, on a line with the statue of Scott, now placed, a series of statues may be ranged, commemorative of men and of events of far-reaching and permanent interest. At or near each of the gates of the Park, portrait or commemorative statues may also be placed, appropriate to the name of the gate. Portrait or memorial statues shall hereafter be placed nowhere else in the Central Park, except in close connection with the buildings of the American Museum of Natural History and of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and at the request of their respective Boards of Trustees.

Statues or sculptured works designed to represent objects of beauty, and dramatic and poetic interest, may be placed at any points in the Central Park where they shall not dominate a landscape, or when seen in front, divide the view over an expanse, lawn, or glade.

A statue commemorative of any person shall not be placed in the parks, nor accepted with a condition that it shall be placed in the parks, until after a period of at least five years from the death of the person represented.

Statues to be placed on the Mall in Central Park, shall be of bronze, and of heroic size. Colossal statues shall not hereafter be placed on the parks.

Plans and elevations for the pedestals of statues to be placed on the parks shall be submitted to and approved by the Department. They shall be of granite, of simple outlines, and free from elaborate decorations.

ARTICLE IV.

Standing Committees.

Section 1. There shall be an Executive Committee, an Auditing Committee, each to consist of two members, and such other Standing Committees as may, from time to time, be determined upon.

Sec. 2. The Executive Committee shall act on such subjects, and perform such duties, as shall be specially, from time to time, referred to it by the Board.

Sec. 3. All bills, claims and accounts, before being submitted to the Board for approval, shall be examined and audited by at least one member of the Auditing Committee; and the authority for such purchases or indebtedness shall be certified thereon by the Secretary.

The President shall be ex-officio a member of the Executive and Auditing Committees.

ARTICLE V.

Rules of Order.

The order of business at meetings of the Board, except otherwise ordered, shall be:

- 1st. Reading of the Minutes of the previous meeting.
2d. Communications.
3d. Reports of Standing Committees.
4th. Reports of Special Committees and Officers.
5th. Motions and Resolutions.
6th. Miscellaneous Business.

The ayes and noes shall be called and recorded, on all appropriations of money, and on all other questions, at the request of the Commissioner.

All resolutions shall be in writing, with the name of the mover thereon.

All reports shall be in writing, unless otherwise agreed to, and signed by a majority of the committee to whom the matter was referred, and shall state the facts upon which the same is based and their conclusions thereon.

The Board shall be governed by the common parliamentary law, as far as applicable, as laid down in Cushing's Manual.

All resolutions and propositions presented to the Board, for altering in any manner the adopted design or plan of the Central Park improvement, or for any structure upon the parks, shall be referred to a special committee, who shall report upon the same, before any further action thereon is had by the Board.

No by-law shall be altered, repealed or adopted, without the report of a committee thereon, nor without the assent of a majority of the whole Board, nor at the same meeting at which it is proposed, unless by the unanimous consent of all the members of the Board.

Appointments.

January 23, 1878—Frederick Law Olmsted, Consulting Landscape Architect. Services to be paid for when availed of, at such rate as the Department shall determine from time to time.

January 23, 1878—Lewis K. Osborn, Inspector on construction of drains near Fordham, in the Twenty-fourth Ward. Pay, \$3 per day.

January 23, 1878—Sidney H. Conklin, gatekeeper; to take effect from January 18, 1878. Pay, \$2 per day.

January 23, 1878—Edward Darke, gate-keeper. Pay, \$2 per day.

January 30, 1878—John Bozetti, police tailor. Pay, \$2 per day.

January 23, 1878—James Reilly, laborer. Pay, \$1.60 per day.

January 30, 1878—Michael Walsh, laborer. Pay, \$1.60 per day.

January 30, 1878—Sarah Titus, draw-tender of draw-bridge on Bronx river. To take effect from January 5, 1878. Pay, \$150 per annum.

Promotions.

January 23, 1878—John Corcoran, Lieutenant, to be Captain of Police. Pay, \$1,600 per annum.

January 23, 1878—Charles Bernhard, gatekeeper, to be patrolman on Police Force. Pay, \$2.40 per day.

January 23, 1878—Hugh Reilly, gatekeeper, to be patrolman on Police Force. Pay, \$2.40 per day.

January 23, 1878—John Fagan, gatekeeper, to be patrolman on Police Force. Pay, \$2.40 per day.

January 23, 1878—Adolph Klein, gatekeeper, to be patrolman on Police Force. Pay, \$2.40 per day.

Restored to work.

January 23, 1878.—Patrick McCarthy, laborer.

Resignation.

January 23, 1878.—William B. Knight, Inspector on construction of drains near Fordham in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Removals.

January 23, 1878—Frederick Law Olmsted, Landscape Architect.

January 23, 1878—Howard A. Martin, Chief Clerk of Office of Design and Superintendence.

January 23, 1878—Edward P. North, Superintendent of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.

January 23, 1878—William D. Beall, Clerk.

Animals received at Central Park Menagerie during the two weeks ending February 2, 1878.

Received in Exchange.

- 1 Bald-headed Ibis (Geronticus Calvus).
1 Griffen Vulture (Gyps Fulvus).
2 Many-colored Parakeets (Prichoglossus Multicolor).

Placed on Exhibition.

1 Razor-billed Curasson (Mitua Tuberosa).

Contracts Executed.

For concrete floors in basement of the Museum of Art Building: Principal—F. W. Lawrence, 214 Pearl street, N. Y.; Sureties—Nathan Seelye, 482 Lexington avenue, N. Y.; A. B. Cohu, 107 Water street, N. Y.; amount, \$1,370.

For the tiler's work of the bridge and entrance porch to the Museum of Natural History Building: Principals—Miller & Coates; Sureties—Morris Ketchum, Westminster Hotel, N. Y.; Wm. H. Wisner, 18 West Twelfth street, N. Y.; amount, \$518.

Forwarded to the Finance Department.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Bills approved and transmitted for payment: \$8,972 95. Pay-rolls: 13,234 66. License fees, etc., received and deposited with the City Chamberlain: 85 00.

The Number of Visitors to the American Museum of Natural History.

Table with 2 columns: Date and Number of Visitors. Monday, January 21: 441. Tuesday: 538. Wednesday: 1,865. Thursday: 1,997. Friday: 2,569. Saturday: 4,328. Total: 11,738.

Table with 2 columns: Date and Number of Visitors. Monday, January 28: 598. Tuesday: 785. Wednesday: 359. Thursday: 467. Friday, February 1: 492. Saturday: 2,563. Total: 5,193.

WILLIAM IRWIN, Secretary Department Public Parks.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATORY

OF THE

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

CENTRAL PARK, NEW YORK,

Latitude 40° 45' 58" N. Longitude 73° 57' 58" W. Height of Instruments above the Ground, 53 feet; above the Sea, 97 feet.

ABSTRACT OF REGISTERS FROM SELF-RECORDING INSTRUMENTS, For the Week Ending January 26, 1878.

Barometer.

Table with 10 columns: DATE, JANUARY, 7 A.M., 2 P.M., 9 P.M., MEAN FOR THE DAY, MAXIMUM, MINIMUM, REDUCED TO FREEZING, TIME. Data for days Sunday through Saturday.

Mean for the week: 29.908 inches. Maximum: at 9 A.M., January 24: 30.410. Minimum: at 5 A.M., January 23: 29.542. Range: .868.

Thermometers.

Table with 14 columns: DATE, JANUARY, 7 A.M., 2 P.M., 9 P.M., MEAN, MAXIMUM, MINIMUM, MAXIMUM, MINIMUM, MAXIMUM, MINIMUM, IN SUN. Data for days Sunday through Saturday.

Dry Bulb. Mean for the week: 35.8 degrees. Maximum for the week: at 4 P.M., 26th: 51. Minimum: at 7 P.M., 23d: 9. Range: 42. Wet Bulb. Mean for the week: 33.2 degrees. Maximum for the week: at 12 P.M., 20th: 46. Minimum: at 7 P.M., 23d: 9. Range: 37.

Wind.

Table with 12 columns: DATE, JANUARY, DIRECTION, VELOCITY IN MILES, FORCE IN POUNDS PER SQUARE FOOT. Data for days Sunday through Saturday.

Distance traveled during the week: 1,017 miles. Maximum force: 26 1/2 pounds.

Hygrometer.

Clouds.

Rain and Snow.

Table with 10 columns: DATE, JANUARY, FORCE OF VAPOR, RELATIVE HUMIDITY, CLEAR, OVERCAST, IO, DEPTH OF RAIN AND SNOW IN INCHES. Data for days Sunday through Saturday.

Total amount of water for the week: 1.00 inch.

DANIEL DRAPER, Director.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

STATEMENT OF THE HOURS DURING WHICH all the Public Offices in the City are open for business...

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Mayor's Office, No. 6, City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M. Mayor's Marshal, No. 7, City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Board of Aldermen and Supervisors, No. 9, City Hall, office hours from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE, OFFICE HOURS 9 A. M. TO 4 P. M. Comptroller's Office, second floor, rooms 19 and 20.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Counsel to the Corporation, Staats Zeitung Building, third floor, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M. Public Administrator, 115 and 117, Nassau street, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

NO. 300 MULBERRY STREET, ALWAYS OPEN. Commissioners' Office, second floor. Superintendent's Office, first floor.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

CITY HALL, 9 A. M. TO 4 P. M. Commissioner's Office, No. 19. Chief Clerk's Office, No. 20.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

Commissioners' Office, No. 66 Third Avenue, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M. Out Door Poor Department, No. 66 Third Avenue, always open.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

NOS. 153, 155 AND 157 MERCER ST., 9 A. M. TO 4 P. M. Commissioners' Office. Chief of Department.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

NO. 301 MOTT STREET. Commissioners' Office, second floor, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Attorney's Office, third floor, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

Commissioners' Office, 36 Union Square, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M. Surveyor's Bureau, 19 Chatham street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

Commissioners' Office, 117 and 119 Duane street, A. M. to 4 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS

Commissioners' Office, Brown-stone building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. On Saturday, 9 A. M. to 3 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

Superintendent's Office, 2 Fourth Avenue, 9 A. M.

BOARD OF EXCISE.

Commissioners' Office, first floor, 299 Mulberry street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

CORNER GRAND AND ELM STREETS. Office of the Board, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS.

Commissioners' Office, 27 Chambers street, second floor, front office.

COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY COURT-HOUSE.

Office, Room 28, third floor, nth west corner County Court-house.

THE CITY RECORD.

Office, No. 2 City Hall, northwest corner basement, 8 A. to 6 P. M.

MISCELLANEOUS OFFICES.

HOURS 9 A. M. TO 4 P. M. Coroners' Office, 40 East Houston street, second floor. Sheriff's Office, first floor, northwest corner of New County Court-house, rooms 3 and 4.

COMMISSIONER OF JURORS.

Commissioner's Office, room 17, second floor, New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

COURTS.

SUPREME COURT. Second floor, New County Court-house, 10 1/2 A. M. to 3 P. M. General Term, Room No. 9.

JURORS.

NOTICE IN RELATION TO JURORS FOR STATE COURTS. OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF JURORS, NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE, NEW YORK, JUNE 1, 1877.

APPLICATIONS FOR EXEMPTIONS WILL BE heard here, from 9 to 4 daily, from all persons hitherto liable or recently serving who have become exempt...

THOMAS DUNLAP, Commissioner, County Court-house (Chambers street entrance). LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT. THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS OF THE Board of Aldermen will meet in Room No. 9, City Hall, every Monday at 1 o'clock P. M.

THE CITY RECORD.

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

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 Laurence 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...

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 twelfth day of February, 1878...

City Hall, in the City of New York, on the sixth day of March, 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.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST., NEW YORK, February 9, 1878.

PROPOSALS FOR DRY GOODS, GROceries, CROCKERY, HARDWARE, LUMBER, ETC.

PROPOSALS, SEALED AND INDORSED AS above, will be received by the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, at their office, until 9 o'clock A. M., of Saturday, February 23, 1878...

- 2,500 yards Furniture Check. 5,000 yards Canton Flannel. 10,000 yards brown Denims. 5,000 yards blue Denims. 5,000 pounds good sweet Dairy Table Butter, to be delivered in quantities as required. 500 pounds pure Mustard. 1 barrel Currants. 1 barrel Tapioca. 1,000 pounds dried Apples. 2,500 pounds cheese. 2,000 bushels prime quality Oats, to be well cleaned and to weigh 32 pounds to the bushel.

THE quality of the goods furnished must conform in every respect to the samples of the above to be seen at this office. The award of the contract will be made as soon as practicable after the opening of the bids. No proposal will be considered unless accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders of the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that, if the contract be awarded under that proposal, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as sureties in the estimated amount of fifty per cent. for its faithful performance...

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST., NEW YORK, February 8, 1878. IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN ORDINANCE OF THE Common Council, "In relation to the burial of strangers or unknown persons who may die in any of the public institutions of the City of New York," the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction report as follows:

At Charity Hospital, Blackwell's Island—Jennie Brown; aged 24 years; 5 feet 6 inches high; light hair; gray eyes. Had on when admitted, calico dress, cotton skirt. Nothing known of her friends or relatives.

At Branch Charity Hospital, Randall's Island—William Anderson; aged 56 years; blue eyes; gray hair. Nothing known of his friends or relatives.

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CORPORATION NOTICES

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

- No. 1. Flagging sidewalks, north side Fifty-sixth street, between Sixth and seventh avenues. No. 2. Flagging north side of One Hundred and Twentieth street, between First Avenue and Avenue A. No. 3. Flagging north side Fifty-eighth street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues. No. 4. Flagging south side Seventy-ninth street, between Ninth Avenue and the Boulevard. No. 5. Flagging, eight feet wide, south side Fifty-eighth street, from Broadway to Seventh Avenue. No. 6. Flagging north side Forty-third street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues. No. 7. Setting curb and gutter stones and flagging Seventy-sixth street, between Avenue A and East River, and between First and Second avenues. No. 8. Fencing vacant lots One Hundred and Eighteenth street, between First and Second avenues. No. 9. Alteration and extension of sewer in James slip, at South street. No. 10. Regulating, grading, curb, gutter and flagging Forty-third street, from Second to Third avenues. No. 11. Sewers in Boulevard, Ninety-eighth street, Ninth Avenue and One Hundredth street, from Ninety-sixth street to Eighth Avenue, with branches in Ninth Avenue, Ninety-eighth, Ninety-ninth, and One Hundredth streets.

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

THE above described assessment lists will be transmitted as provided by law to the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments for confirmation, on the 16th day of February ensuing.

THOMAS B. ASTEN, JOHN MULLALLY, EDWARD NORTH, WILLIAM WALSH, Board of Assessors.

OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS, NEW YORK, Jan. 15, 1878.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

WILLIAM KENNELLY, AUCTIONEER. CORPORATION SALE OF THE TWO ANCHORS AND CHAINS FORMERLY BELONGING TO THE SCHOOL SHIP MERCURY, AS THEY NOW LIE UNDER WATER OFF HART'S ISLAND.

THE COMPTROLLER OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK will sell at public auction, on Thursday, February 14, 1878, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the New County Court-house, the two anchors and chains formerly belonging to the School Ship Mercury, as they now lie under water off Hart's Island.

Cash to be paid to the Collector of City Revenue at the time and place of sale. The successful bidder to remove such anchors and chains at his own expense, within 30 days from the date of sale.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, February 8, 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 15th 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 75th 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 4 P. M. for the collection of money, and until 4 P. M. for general information.

EDWARD GILON, Collector of Assessments. REAL ESTATE RECORDS THE ATTENTION OF LAWYERS, REAL Estate Owners, Monetary Institutions engaged in making loans upon real estate, and all who are interested in providing themselves with facilities for reducing the cost of examinations and searches, is invited to these Official Indices of Records, containing all recorded transfers of real estate in the City of New York from 1653 to 1877, prepared under the direction of the Commissioners of Records.

