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LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

STATED SESSION.

TUESDAY, May 10, 1881,
12 o'clock, M.

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

PRESENT:

Hon. Patrick Keenan, President;

ALDERMEN

Henry G. Autenreith,
John Cavanagh,
Frederick Finck,
James W. Hawes,
George Hilliard,
Bernard Kenney,
Patrick Kenney,

William P. Kirk,
Joseph J. McAvoy,
John McClave,
Jeremiah Murphy,
Henry C. Perley,
Robert Power,
William Sauer,

John H. Seaman,
Thomas Sheils,
James J. Slewin,
Joseph P. Strack,
Charles B. Waite,
James L. Wells.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Alderman Wells—

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps lighted in St. Ann's avenue, from the Southern Boulevard to One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Sauer—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to J. H. Victor to erect a bay-window on house No. 683 Fifth avenue, the consent of the adjoining property-owners having been obtained, and is hereto annexed according to the accompanying diagram; the work done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioners of the Fire Department; 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 McAvoy—

Resignation of J. J. Lynch as a Commissioner of Deeds.

Which was accepted.

Whereupon Alderman McAvoy offered the following:

Resolved, That Lorenzo N. Fowler be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of John J. Lynch, resigned.

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

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

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Autenreith, Cavanagh, Finck, Hawes, Hilliard, B. Kenney, P. Kenney, Kirk, McAvoy, McClave, Murphy, Perley, Power, Sauer, Seaman, Sheils, Slewin, Strack, Waite, and Wells—21.

By Alderman Waite—

Resolved, That permission be given to the Trustees of the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church to make alterations in the present porch of their church as per annexed plan. Consent to the proposed change (by owners of adjoining property) is also attached. The alterations to be done under direction of Bureau of Buildings of Fire Department, and to continue 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 Sheils—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to James Burke to extend the limits of the show-window now on the premises No. 66 Delancey street out to the stoop-line, the work 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 McAvoy—

Resolved, That Croton water-mains be laid in St. Nicholas avenue, from One Hundred and Forty-fifth to One Hundred and Fiftieth street, as provided in chapter 381, Laws of 1879.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

(G. O. 149.)

By Alderman Sauer—

Resolved, That the roadway of Forty-fifth street, from the westerly crosswalk of Eleventh avenue to the intersection of Twelfth avenue, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, except that a crosswalk of three courses of blue stone be laid at the intersection of Twelfth avenue, within the lines of the sidewalk and across said street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

The undersigned, owner of a majority of the total frontage on Forty-fifth street, between Eleventh and Twelfth avenues, respectfully requests that you pass the accompanying ordinance for the pavement of said street with granite block pavement.

NEW YORK, May 10, 1881.

MUNICIPAL GAS LIGHT COMPANY,
by H. E. GAWTRY, Vice-President.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 150.)

By Alderman McAvoy—

Resolved, That the roadway of Tenth avenue, from a line five feet north of and parallel with the northerly curb-line of One Hundred and Fifty-first street to the present pavement in One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, be paved with Macadam pavement with Telford foundation where not heretofore paved, except that the gutters and intersections beyond the gutter lines shall be paved with trap-rock pavement, with like foundation, and that crosswalks of blue stone with trap-blocks adjacent thereto be laid where indicated upon the accompanying map, which more specifically sets forth the exact nature and extent of all of the above work, and which is hereby made a part of this resolution and ordinance, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

By Alderman Wells—

Resolved, That Willis avenue, between the southerly line of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street and the northerly line of the Southern Boulevard, be regulated and graded; that the sidewalks on said avenue within said limits be flagged a space four feet wide where not heretofore flagged; that curb and gutter stones with returns to the house line at the several intersecting streets be set in said avenue within said limits, where not already set, and that crosswalks be laid across said Willis avenue at each of the intersections of said Willis avenue and One Hundred and Thirty-third, One Hundred and Thirty-fourth, One Hundred and Thirty-fifth, One Hundred and Thirty-sixth, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh, and One Hundred and Thirty-eighth streets, and across each of the above mentioned streets at each intersection with said Willis avenue, under the direction of the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks; and that the accompanying ordinance be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Perley—

Resolved, That a free drinking-hydrant (for man and beast) be placed on the southeast corner of Seventy-eighth street and First avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Cavanagh—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Ranson Parker to erect and keep a scale on Thirteenth avenue, south of Little Twelfth street near the pier, the said scale to be placed as the Commissioner of Public Works shall direct, so that it shall not interfere with the use of the street for public travel, the work 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 Sheils—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to R. Scheyer to erect a rolling-awning in front of No. 398 Grand street, the work 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 Perley—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to William A. Hankinson to erect bay-windows on the west side of Fourth avenue, thirty-seven feet south of Sixty-ninth street, and to project four feet on the avenue, the consent of the adjoining property-owners having been obtained, and is hereto annexed, according to the accompanying diagram, the work done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioners of the Fire Department; 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 Warren S. Carle 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.

(G. O. 151.)

By the same—

Resolved, That the roadway of One Hundred and Thirtieth street, from a line twelve feet east of and parallel with the east curb of Eighth avenue to the pavement heretofore laid at the intersection of Sixth avenue, be paved with trap-block pavement where not heretofore paved, except that crosswalks of three courses of blue-stone be laid on both sides of Seventh avenue, within the lines of the sidewalks and parallel therewith; also, that a crosswalk of three courses of blue-stone be laid at Eighth avenue joining the above described pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

By the same—

Resolved, That permission is granted to the Metropolitan Club to erect two gas-lamps in front of their club-house at 853 Fifth avenue, within the stoop-line, at either side of the entrance to house, the work to be done at their own expense, and to remain 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 the name of Henry C. Freeman, recently appointed a Commissioner of Deeds, be corrected so as to read Henry C. Freeman.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Finck—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Schulz & Brechtel to erect a canvas awning in front of No. 269 Bowery, the work 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.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Hilliard—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to J. F. Rogers & Co. to place and keep a show-case and sign, not to extend two feet, inside stoop-line in front of 107 Liberty street, 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 Wells—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to William O'Gorman to curb, gutter and flag the sidewalks in front of his property located as follows, viz.:

On the northerly side of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, from the easterly line of Willis avenue to a point 200 feet distant therefrom.

On the southerly side of One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street, from the easterly line of Willis avenue to a point 200 feet distant therefrom.

On the northerly side of One Hundred and Forty-first street, from a point distant 150 feet easterly from the easterly side of Willis avenue to the westerly line of Brook avenue.

On the southerly side of One Hundred and Forty-first street, from the easterly side of Willis avenue to the westerly side of Brook avenue.

—all of said work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks; and 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 McClave—

Resolved, That a free drinking-hydrant (for man and beast) be placed on the southeast corner of Forty-eighth street and Broadway, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Waite—

Resolved, That an improved iron drinking-fountain (for man and beast) be placed on southwest corner of Seventh avenue (No. 184 Seventh avenue), under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

(G. O. 152.)

By Alderman Wells—

Whereas, The Board of Health of this City, by resolutions adopted July 20, August 17, and September 28, 1880, has certified to the Department of Public Parks that the protection of the public health required the drainage of the lands described as follows, viz.: Within the district bounded on the north by Westchester avenue, on the east by Brook avenue, on the south by One Hundred and Fortieth street, and on the west by Willis and Bergen avenues, in the Twenty-third

Ward of the City of New York, within the district bounded on the north by Kingsbridge road and the continuation of the line thereof easterly to the Bronx river, on the east by the Bronx river, on the south by Fairmount avenue and the continuation of the line thereof to the Bronx river, on the west by Broad street and the continuation of the line thereof to the Kingsbridge road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, and within the district bounded on the north by Home street, on the east by Prospect avenue and Leggett's lane, on the west by Boston and Cauldwell avenues and the Port Morris Branch Railroad, and on the south by Long Island Sound, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York; and,

Whereas, The Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks, in compliance with chapter 360 of the Laws of 1880, and by resolutions adopted March 2, 1881, have directed the Counsel to the Corporation to institute the proper proceedings on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of this City, for the acquirement of the right of way over, under or through said lands required for the construction of the necessary drains; and,

Whereas, the speedy drainage of the above described lands is not only essential to the public health but is most earnestly desired by the residents and taxpayers of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards; be it therefore

Resolved, That the said Counsel to the Corporation be and he is hereby requested and, so far as is within the power of this Board, further authorized and directed immediately to take such legal action as may be required in regard to the subject in order to obtain the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, as provided by law, and to conduct such other necessary legal proceedings in relation thereto to a speedy determination, so that the lands within the above described limits may be properly drained without delay.

Which was laid over.

By Alderman B. Kenney—

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be and he is hereby requested to return to this Board the resolution adopted April 26, to pave One Hundred and Thirtieth street, from Sixth to Eighth avenue.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

(G. O. 153.)

By Alderman Perley—

Resolved, That Croton water-pipes be laid beneath the sidewalk of Avenue A (Eastern Boulevard), from Fifty-ninth to Sixtieth street, as provided in chapter 381, Laws of 1879; also that a fire hydrant be placed near the southeast corner of Avenue A and Sixtieth street.

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

The undersigned respectfully requests to have a Croton water-pipe laid in the easterly sidewalk of Avenue A, from the northerly side of Fifty-ninth street to the southerly side of Sixtieth street, and fire-hydrant on southeast corner of Avenue A and Sixtieth street, as I am finishing ten apartment houses which will be shortly ready for occupation on east side of Avenue A, between Fifty-ninth and Sixtieth streets.

ANDREW J. KERWIN,
1 Riverview, East Fifty-eighth street.

Which was laid over.

By Alderman Cavanagh—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to James McCoy to erect a post 8 feet long 4 inches square, with a horse shoe on top, in front of No. 739 Eleventh avenue, the work 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 Slevin—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Fritz Niemeir to place and keep a watering-trough in front of No. 375 Broome street, the work done and water supplied 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 Hilliard—

Resolved, That Croton-mains be laid on west side of Fourth avenue, between One Hundred and Third and One Hundred and First streets, as provided in chapter 381, Laws of 1879.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman B. Kenney—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to William Kohring to place and keep a watering-trough in front of No. 536 Hudson street, the work done and water supplied 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.

(G. O. 154.)

By Alderman Strack—

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause an ornamental lamp-post and lamps similar to the post and lamps now in Tryon row square to be placed and the lamps lighted in Houston street square, at junction of Houston, Norfolk and First streets.

Which was laid over.

By Alderman Sauer—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Charles Roome to place an ornamental lamp-post and lamp in front of his premises, southeast corner Irving place and Fifteenth street, the work to be done and gas furnished at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; this 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 Perley—

Resolved, That Henry C. Freeman be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Henry C. Freeman, whose term of office has expired.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Hawes—

Resolved, That hereafter all applications for permission to place bay-windows or other projections on buildings in this city, made pursuant to resolution of the Common Council, approved March 5, 1873, be referred to the Committee on Fire and Building Departments, with a view to an examination of the sufficiency of each application, and the establishment of uniformity in the extent or limit of each bay-window, or other projection, before final action is taken thereon, by the Common Council.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law Department.

By Alderman McAvoy—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Frank Grimes to erect and maintain an ornamental lamp-post and lamp in front of No. 1599 Second avenue, the work done and gas supplied 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 Croton water-mains be laid in Avenue A, between Ninety-second and Ninety-third streets, and in Ninety-third street, between Avenue A and First avenue, as provided in chapter 381, Laws of 1879.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Wells—

Resolved, That Croton water-mains be laid in One Hundred and Fifty-ninth street, from Courtland avenue to Terrace place, as provided in chapter 381, Laws of 1879.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman McClave—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Martin Flynn to place and keep a watering-trough on the sidewalk in front of his premises in Fifty-seventh street, north side, near the northeast corner of Eleventh avenue, the work done and water supplied 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 Seaman—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to H. Wienholz to place a sign on the awning in front of his premises No. 609 Washington street, the work done at his own ex-

pense, 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.

(G. O. 155.)

By Alderman McClave—

Resolved, That the vacant lot on the southeast corner of Forty-seventh street and Ninth avenue, be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

By the President—

Resignation of Leon Lewinski as a Commissioner of Deeds.

Which was accepted.

By the same—

Resolved, That Leopold Luft be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Leon Lewinski, who has resigned.

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

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

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cavanagh, Finck, Hawes, Hilliard, B. Kenney, P. Kenney, Kirk, McAvoy, McClave, Murphy, Perley, Power, Sauer, Seaman, Sheils, Slevin, Strack, Waite, and Wells—20.

By the same—

Resolved, That Oliver B. Stout be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Oliver B. Stout, 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 by the following vote, viz.:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Autenreith, Finck, Hawes, Hilliard, B. Kenney, P. Kenney, Kirk, McAvoy, McClave, Perley, Power, Sauer, Seaman, Slevin, Strack, Waite, and Wells—18.

By Alderman Wells—

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street lamps lighted in Bailey avenue, from the Kingsbridge road at the bottom of Fordham Hill to Riverdale avenue, and thence along Riverdale avenue to the depot of the Spuyten Duyvil and Port Morris Railroad at Kingsbridge.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Sauer—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Charles H. Creamer to keep a newspaper-stand on the northeast corner of Fourth avenue and Twenty-third street; said stand not to exceed four feet in length and three feet in width, and to be kept on the sidewalk only during the day time; 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 Slevin—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Martin Gilligan, to keep a newspaper stand on the sidewalk in front of No. 185 West street, such stand not to exceed two feet in width, and five feet in length; 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 Wells—

Resolved, That His Honor the Mayor be requested to return for correction, G. O. No. 124, being a resolution to regulate and grade One Hundred and Fortieth street, between Third and Morris avenues.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Sauer—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to F. Hoever to erect two ornamental lamp-posts and lamps within the stoop-line in front of No. 432 Sixth avenue, the work done and gas supplied 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 permission be and the same is hereby given to Jose F. Navarro to erect two ornamental lamp-posts and lamps in front of Nos. 3 and 5 East Fifty-seventh street, the work done and gas supplied 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.

REPORTS.

The Committee on Salaries and Offices respectfully

REPORT

the following:

Resolved, That the following-named persons be and they are hereby appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place, respectively, of the persons named, who have failed to qualify:

Henry Adler.....	In place of Ralph Oakley.
James McLaughlin.....	" Eugene Otterbourg.
Peter M. Ledwith.....	" Joseph Phillips.
Jacob Haubert.....	" Abijah S. Pell.
Louis H. Mayer.....	" Isaac Pforzheimer.
Joseph H. McCauley.....	" James P. Rogers.
William H. Newschafer.....	" Emil Roessert.
Joseph McDermott.....	" James Rowe.
Emil Macholdt.....	" Frank H. Ryan.
Henry Schoen.....	" Oscar F. Ryno.
M. J. Conner.....	" George W. Ruddle.
Francis Adams.....	" E. R. Robinson.
James A. O'Gorman.....	" John J. Scanlon.

BERNARD KENNEY,) Committee on
J. W. HAWES,) Salaries and Offices.

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

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

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Autenreith, Cavanagh, Finck, Hawes, Hilliard, B. Kenney, P. Kenney, Kirk, McAvoy, McClave, Murphy, Perley, Power, Sauer, Seaman, Sheils, Slevin, Strack, Waite, and Wells—21.

(G. O. 156.)

The Committee on Law Department, to whom was referred "An ordinance to prevent licensed vendors, or peddlers, etc., from annoying or interfering with householders in the City of New York," respectfully report the same back to the Board in the form annexed hereto, and ask to be discharged from further consideration of the same.

AN ORDINANCE to prevent licensed vendors, or peddlers, beggars or mendicants, vagrants, or intoxicated or disorderly persons, from annoying or interfering with householders in the City of New York.

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

Section 1. It shall not be lawful for any licensed vender, or peddler, beggar or mendicant, vagrant, or intoxicated or disorderly person, to enter any store, hotel, depot, or other place of business in this city, where a notice shall be posted forbidding the entrance of any person of either of the classes above named, unless invited to do so by the owner, proprietor, or occupant, or person in charge of any such hotel, store, depot, or other place of business; nor shall it be lawful for any such vender, or peddler, beggar or mendicant, vagrant, or intoxicated or disorderly person, to go upon the doorstep or stoop, or into the area, or ring any door-bell, or make any alarm or noise of any kind, on any part of the premises of any inhabitant of any private house or building, within the corporate limits of the City of New York, to attract the attention of any such inhabitant, without the consent of such inhabitant, provided a notice forbidding any such act by any such person shall have been posted in a conspicuous place on such premises.

Every such person who shall violate any of the provisions of this ordinance, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof before any police justice, in this city, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding ten dollars, or in default of payment of such fine, by imprisonment not exceeding ten days.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of every police officer who shall witness any violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance, to arrest the offender, report with the prisoner at the Police Precinct Station-house, and without any unnecessary delay, then take him or her before the Police Justice sitting at the Police Court of the District in which the offense was committed, or, if after Court hours, such

offender shall be detained at the Police Station of the Precinct, until the opening of the Court the next morning, when the offender shall be taken before such Police Justice by the officer who made the arrest, who shall be the complainant in the case. It shall also be the duty of the police, to arrest every such offender upon complaint of any householder, and dispose of every such prisoner, as provided in the first sentence of this section, except that such householder shall appear as complainant; and in case any such householder shall refuse or neglect to appear voluntarily as a witness after making complaint, then it shall be lawful for such Police Justice to compel him or her, by subpoena, to appear and testify against such offender.

Sec. 3. The Commissioners of the Police Department of the City of New York are hereby required to enforce rigidly the provisions of this ordinance.

Sec. 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Sec. 5. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

May 10, 1881.

J. W. HAWES,
JOSEPH P. STRACK,
HENRY G. AUTENREITH, } Committee
on
Law Department.

Which was laid over.

The Committee on Ferries and Franchises, to whom was referred the annexed petition of owners of property asking the Common Council to permit Mr. Abraham Brown to run a line of omnibuses, fifteen in number, from Barclay and West streets to Chambers street, to New Chambers street, to South street, to Fulton Ferry, respectfully

REPORT:

That an examination of the subject has convinced your Committee that it is not in the power of your Honorable Body to grant the prayer of the petitioners. This will clearly appear by reference to the provisions of law relating to new routes for stages in this city. Chapter 340, Laws of 1857, is as follows:

"SEC. 1. No stage or omnibus route, or authority to run stages or omnibuses in said city, shall hereafter be granted by the Common Council of said city, unless a majority of the OWNERS of property upon the street or streets, avenue or avenues, in or upon which any such route or privilege is to be operated, shall, before the Common Council act on the subject, first consent in writing thereto.

"SEC. 2. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to impair the existing provisions of law relative to the franchises of said city; but any stage route, or privilege hereafter granted by said Common Council, shall be disposed of at public auction, in the manner now provided by law for the disposal of the franchises of said city, to the bidder who will give the largest sum per annum, with adequate security, to the corporation of said city for the right or privilege."

To grant the application, would, therefore, be a direct and positive violation of the letter and spirit of the law above quoted.

There is no evidence before your Committee that the petitioners are the owners of a majority of the property on the route proposed. The entire length of the route should be given, with the length, or front owned by the signers, separately and collectively, accompanied with a proper verification. This has not been done. It is claimed that the signers represent the major portion of the land on the route, that may be admitted; the law, however, is emphatic on this point, they must be owners not representatives of the property; consequently, property represented on the petition, by any person other than the owner, will not count in making up the aggregate required by law.

An examination of the petition will show that fully one half of the property specified is represented by persons other than the owners thereof. Thus the estate of Wm. Rhineland, deceased, Nos. 149, 150, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, and 186 West street, between Barclay and Chambers streets, is represented on the petition by the Receiver of the estate; Mrs. C. M. Stewart is represented by Henry Hillton; the Shoe and Leather Bank, the National Exchange Bank, the Chemical Bank, the Emigrants Industrial Savings Bank, by the officers who are only the agents or representatives of these corporations; the American News Company, 39 & 41 Chambers street, is represented by its treasurer; No. 128 Chambers street is represented by Samuel Colgate, executor; the corner of Chatham and Chambers streets is also represented by the executor, W. E. Kearns; the corner of Broadway and Chambers street is represented by William Addams, attorney for Charles Addams; Charles A. Schermerhorn represents No. 113 South street, as agent for the estate of John Schermerhorn, deceased; W. H. Vanderbilt, Nos. 153, 154, and 155 South street, is represented by W. K. Vanderbilt, agent; Helen Denison, owner of No. 115 Chambers street, is represented by "D. Jr."; Nos. 182, 183, 184, & 185 West street, owned by heirs of Geo. Lovett, deceased, is represented by George L. Kingsland; Austin Hale signs the petition as "owner and agent" for premises Nos. 177, 179, 181, 183, & 185 Chambers street and 287 Washington street; Charles P. Murray represents No. 197 Chambers street, owned by the estate of Hamilton Murray, deceased; No. 112 South street, represented by Geo. V. Baldwin, attorney for owner; I. P. Kernochan, represents No. 195 Chambers street; Thomas H. Taite, Jr., signs as executor for Nos. 192 & 194 Chambers street; No. 83 Chambers street is represented by Abraham Bininger, attorney; Nos. 45 & 47 Chambers street, owned by the Russell & Erwin Manufacturing Co., is represented by M. J. Woodruff; William Cutting signs as executor for No. 95 Chambers street; D. W. Bruce, as trustee, signs for Nos. 5, 7, 84 & 86 Chambers street; the estate of D. S. Schanck is represented by Theo. W. Morris, attorney (location of property not given); estate of Thomas Sniffen, Nos. 99 and 154 Chambers street, is represented by I. Hamilton and E. N. Taler, as executors; H. S. Anderson signs as "representing" No. 120 Chambers street; Augustus Cruikshank as "representing" No. 122 Chambers street; Shipley Jones as "agent" for No. 119 Chambers street; Fannie H. Evans, owner of No. 96 Chambers street, is represented by her attorney, C. A. Davison; H. W. Clark represents the heirs of Montgomery Hunt, owners of 191 Chambers street; St. James Church, owner of 81 and 94 Chambers street, is represented by J. H. Riker, attorney; James S. Noyes, attorney for John L. Brewer, signs the petition instead of the owner; No. 158 Chambers street is represented by the executor, C. C. Colgate; "Hayes" signs for F. E. Gibert, owner of 121 Chambers street; S. Wyman, Jr., as attorney, signs for H. D. Aldrich, the owner of 102 Chambers street; Nos. 188 and 189 South street, and Nos. 16 and 18 James slip are represented by the attorney instead of the owner, Mr. L. L. Mason; J. Porter is signed to the petition as attorney for owners of Nos. 7, 9, and 11 New Chambers street; No. 15 James slip is represented by the executor of the property, not the owner; Nos. 24, 26, 28, 30, and 34 New Chambers street is represented by F. J. Hund, not the owner, Maria Frederick; Nos. 1 and 3 New Chambers street is represented by the executor of the estate of Josiah Blackwell; the East River Savings Institution by its President, W. H. Slocum; Nos. 3 and 14 James slip and Nos. 85 and 87 New Chambers street are represented by Charles Appleby, agent; Nos. 116, 117, and 118 South street are represented by W. H. Onderdonk, as agent; Mary Ellsworth, owner of 105 South street is represented by H. E. Gregory; S. B. Jones "represents" No. 22 New Chambers street; No. 180 South street is "represented" by E. A. Cruikshank; No. 70 New Chambers street is "represented" by A. W. Cruikshank, and G. W. Forge, as executor, "represents" No. 147 West street.

The foregoing is certainly sufficient in warranting the conclusion that the first requirement necessary under the law to be complied with before the Common Council "can act on the subject" of establishing the right to run a line of omnibuses or stages, upon a new route, has not in this instance been fulfilled. The consent in writing of a majority of the owners of property fronting on the proposed new stage route is a condition precedent to any action on the subject by the legislative power of the corporation. A failure on the part of those interested to conform to this condition, puts it out of the power of the corporate authorities to consider the proposition. This omission is fatal to the project. It cannot, under the law, be acted upon by the Common Council.

The petitioners, or others interested in the scheme, have perpetrated a second and equally grave error, to characterize it by no harsher name. They ask that the privilege of operating the proposed line of stages be given to Abraham Brown. The law imperatively requires that this right or privilege, when legally established, "be disposed of at public auction, in the manner now prescribed by law, for the disposal of the franchises of said city, to the bidder who will give the largest sum per annum, with adequate security to the corporation of said city, for the right or privilege." To ask the members of this Board to vote in favor of granting the application of the petitioners, would, therefore, be tantamount to asking them to violate, willfully, the provisions of law above quoted; and every member voting in the affirmative on the proposition would be clearly amenable to the provisions of section 109 of chapter 335, Laws of 1873 (the charter), relating to summary examinations of derelict officials, if not to the provisions of section 95 of the same law, which provides for the removal and disqualification of every charter officer who willfully violates any of the provisions of that law.

The foregoing reasons, apart from any other, are sufficient, in the opinion of your Committee, to warrant them in refusing to recommend favorable action by your Honorable Body.

If all the forms of law had been complied with, your Committee even then would recommend the refusal of the application, on the ground that it would be both unwise and inexpedient to add fifteen omnibuses to the crowd of vehicles that, during the business hours of the day, obstruct Chambers, West, and South streets to such a degree as to render traffic in them both difficult and dangerous, and at times impracticable. The application to run a line of stages through some of our most crowded thoroughfares was also regarded as a retrograde movement in the march of progress, in this age of enlightenment. It partakes too much of the era of mail-coaches and canal packet-boats. Greater facilities for travel from the east to the west side of the city, south of Canal street, may be, and doubtless are needed; but the stage coach is not the means to that end. Elevated or underground railways alone can be utilized to afford the desired accommodation, without aggravating the present evils of overcrowded streets and thoroughfares.

Argument, however, in the case under consideration is needless. The Common Council have not the power to grant the application in its present form or even to consider it, without willfully violating the laws of the State. It is only necessary therefore, to recapitulate the reasons named in the first part of this report: a majority of the owners of the property have not signed the paper, and such as have signed it request that the privilege be given by the Common Council to Mr. Abraham Brown. The privilege cannot legally be given away, even though the owners of every foot of land fronting on the proposed route requested the city authorities to do so; or, if it is admitted that the present petition contains the desired number of owners to authorize the establishment of this right or privilege, then it would not be in the power of the Common Council to grant it, as there is no

means at the disposal of your committee of ascertaining whether or not the signers desire that the franchise be given to any other person than Mr. Brown. Either defect is fatal to the proposition; both render it absolutely impossible, without involving a willful and direct violation of law on the part of the corporate authorities, to grant, or even consider, the application.

Your Committee, therefore, respectfully ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and that the papers be placed on file.

THOMAS SHEILS,
GEO. HILLIARD,
PATRICK KENNEY, } Committee
on
Ferries and Franchises.

Alderman McClave moved that the report be recommitted.

Alderman Hawes, as an amendment, moved that the report and accompanying papers be laid over and printed in full in the CITY RECORD.

Which was accepted by Alderman McClave.

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

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

Affirmative—Aldermen Finck, Hawes, McClave, Perley, Seaman, Waite, and Wells—7.

Negative—The President, Aldermen Autenreith, Cavanagh, Hilliard, B. Kenney, P. Kenney, Kirk, McAvoy, Murphy, Power, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Strack—14.

The President then put the question whether the Board would agree with the recommendation of the Committee.

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

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Autenreith, Cavanagh, Hawes, Hilliard, B. Kenney, P. Kenney, Kirk, McAvoy, Murphy, Perley, Power, Sauer, Seaman, Sheils, Slevin, Strack, Waite, and Wells—19.

Negative—Aldermen Finck and McClave—2.

(G. O. 157.)

The Special Committee appointed by your Honorable Body to make arrangements for attending in a body the funeral of our late colleague, Matthew J. Coggey, and for taking such other measures as they might deem calculated to manifest sorrow for the death and respect for the memory of our deceased associate, respectfully

REPORT:

That, in giving effect to the direction of your Honorable Body, expenses amounting to \$169 have been incurred. Your Committee recommend that they be paid, and accordingly offer for your adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw a warrant in favor Thomas Maguire, for the sum of \$84; James Gonnoud, for the sum of \$60; and John F. Sloper, for the sum of \$25; in full payment for bills hereto annexed, for coaches, undertaker's supplies, and services rendered the Common Council on the occasion of the funeral of the late Alderman Matthew J. Coggey, and charge the amount to the appropriation for "City Contingencies."

JOHN MCCLAVE,
HENRY C. PERLEY,
W. P. KIRK,
JOSEPH P. STRACK,
JOSEPH J. MCAVOY, } Special
Committee.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 158.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of laying Croton-mains in Delmonico place, from Cliff to Cedar street, respectfully

REPORT:

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

Resolved, That Croton water-mains be laid in Delmonico place, from Cliff street to Cedar street, as provided in chapter 381, Laws of 1879.

BERNARD KENNEY,
HENRY C. PERLEY,
JOSEPH P. STRACK,
JAMES L. WELLS, } Committee
on
Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 159.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of flagging, setting curb and gutter stones and laying crosswalks in Elton avenue, from Washington 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 sidewalks in Elton avenue, from its junction with Washington avenue to its junction with Third avenue, be flagged a space four feet wide where not heretofore flagged; that curb and gutter stones, with returns to the house lines at the several intersecting streets, be set in said avenue within said limits where not heretofore set; and also that crosswalks be laid in said Elton avenue, and in each street intersecting the same, between the aforesaid limits, under the direction of the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

BERNARD KENNEY,
HENRY C. PERLEY,
JOSEPH P. STRACK,
JAMES L. WELLS, } Committee
on
Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 160.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of laying Croton-mains in One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, between Courtland and Railroad avenues, respectfully

REPORT:

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

Resolved, That Croton-mains be laid in One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, between Courtland and Railroad avenues, as provided in chapter 381, Laws of 1879.

BERNARD KENNEY,
HENRY C. PERLEY,
JOSEPH P. STRACK,
JAMES L. WELLS, } Committee
on
Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 161.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of flagging sidewalks in One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, between Willis and St. Ann's avenues, and setting curb and gutter stones, 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 sidewalks in One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, between Willis and St. Ann's avenues, be flagged a space four feet wide where not heretofore flagged, and that curb and gutter stones be set where not heretofore set between the aforesaid limits, under the direction of the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

BERNARD KENNEY,
HENRY C. PERLEY,
JOSEPH P. STRACK,
JAMES L. WELLS, } Committee
on
Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 162.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of repairing pavement of roadway of Third avenue, between Harlem Bridge and One Hundred and Forty-seventh street, and reflagging and resetting curb and gutter stones at intersecting streets, respectfully

REPORT:

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

Resolved, That the Department of Public Works be and is hereby directed to proceed without delay with the repairing of the pavement of the roadway of Third avenue, between Harlem Bridge and One Hundred and Forty-seventh street, and also with the relaying of the flagging and the

resetting of the curb and gutter stones on the streets intersecting said avenue, between said limits, where the same were lately removed for the purpose of regrading said avenue.

BERNARD KENNEY,
HENRY C. PERLEY,
JOSEPH P. STRACK,
JAMES L. WELLS,

Committee
on
Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 163.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of lighting One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street, between Third and College avenues, respectfully

REPORT :

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

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street, between Third and College avenues, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

BERNARD KENNEY,
HENRY C. PERLEY,
JOSEPH P. STRACK,
JAMES L. WELLS,

Committee
on
Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 164.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of laying water-pipes in Fourth avenue, from Sixty-ninth to Seventy-second street, respectfully

REPORT :

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

Resolved, That Croton water-pipes be laid on the east side of Fourth avenue, from Sixty-ninth to Seventy-second street, as provided in chapter 381, Laws of 1879.

BERNARD KENNEY,
HENRY C. PERLEY,
JOSEPH P. STRACK,
JAMES L. WELLS,

Committee
on
Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 165.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of lighting Cross street, from West Farms and Hunt's Point road to Elizabeth street, respectfully

REPORT :

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

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in Cross street, from the West Farms and Hunt's Point road to Elizabeth street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

BERNARD KENNEY,
HENRY C. PERLEY,
JOSEPH P. STRACK,
JAMES L. WELLS,

Committee
on
Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 166.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of laying Croton-mains in Ninety-seventh street, between Third and Fourth avenues, respectfully

REPORT :

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

Resolved, That Croton-mains be laid in Ninety-seventh street, between Third and Fourth avenues, as provided in chapter 335, Laws of 1879.

BERNARD KENNEY,
HENRY C. PERLEY,
JOSEPH P. STRACK,
JAMES L. WELLS,

Committee
on
Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 167.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of laying Croton-mains in Bathgate avenue, from Tremont avenue to a point 200 feet from the south side of One Hundred and Seventy-second street, respectfully

REPORT :

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

Resolved, That Croton water-mains be laid in Bathgate (Madison) avenue, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, from Tremont avenue (Morris street) to a point 200 feet southerly from the southerly side of One Hundred and Seventy-second street (Bathgate place), as provided in chapter 381, Laws of 1879.

BERNARD KENNEY,
HENRY C. PERLEY,
JOSEPH P. STRACK,
JAMES L. WELLS,

Committee
on
Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 168.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of laying gas-mains, etc., in Ninety-seventh street, between Third and Fourth avenues, respectfully

REPORT :

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

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in Ninety-seventh street, between Third and Fourth avenues, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

BERNARD KENNEY,
HENRY C. PERLEY,
JOSEPH P. STRACK,
JAMES L. WELLS,

Committee
on
Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 169.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of flagging West Eighty-third street, from Eighth avenue to the Boulevard, an additional four feet, 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 sidewalks of West Eighty-third street, from the westerly curb of Eighth avenue to the easterly curb of the Boulevard, be regulated and graded, and that they be flagged an additional course of (4) four feet wide, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

BERNARD KENNEY,
HENRY C. PERLEY,
JOSEPH P. STRACK,
JAMES L. WELLS,

Committee
on
Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 170.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of fencing vacant lots on south side of Fifty-ninth street, between Sixth and Seventh 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 lots on south side of Fifty-ninth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

BERNARD KENNEY,
HENRY C. PERLEY,
JOSEPH P. STRACK,
JAMES L. WELLS,

Committee
on
Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 171.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of flagging sidewalks east side of First avenue, between Forty-eighth and Forty-ninth streets, 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 sidewalks on the east side of First avenue, between Forty-eighth and Forty-ninth streets, be flagged full width where not previously done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

BERNARD KENNEY,
HENRY C. PERLEY,
JOSEPH P. STRACK,
JAMES L. WELLS,

Committee
on
Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 172.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of lighting Sixty-third street, between First avenue and East river, respectfully

REPORT :

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

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street lamps lighted in Sixty-third street, between First avenue and East river, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

BERNARD KENNEY,
HENRY C. PERLEY,
JOSEPH P. STRACK,
JAMES L. WELLS,

Committee
on
Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 173.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of laying Croton-mains in East One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street, from St. Ann's avenue to Southern Boulevard, respectfully

REPORT :

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

Resolved, That Croton water-mains be laid in East One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street, between St. Ann's avenue and the Southern Boulevard, as provided in chapter 381, Laws of 1879.

BERNARD KENNEY,
HENRY C. PERLEY,
JOSEPH P. STRACK,
JAMES L. WELLS,

Committee
on
Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 174.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of fencing vacant lots on north side of Fifty-eighth street, between Sixth and Seventh 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 lots on north side of Fifty-eighth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

BERNARD KENNEY,
HENRY C. PERLEY,
JOSEPH P. STRACK,
JAMES L. WELLS,

Committee
on
Public Works.

Which was laid over.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS RESUMED.

By Alderman Sheils—

Resolved, That a permit is hereby granted to R. Sheyer, who at the present time is engaged in business as a hatter, at No. 398 Grand street, to retain an awning in front of his store.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

MESSAGES FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 10, 1881.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

In pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, I hereby nominate J. Nelson Tappan for appointment, by and with your consent, as Chamberlain of the City of New York, in place of J. Nelson Tappan, whose term of office has expired.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 10, 1881.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

In pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, I hereby nominate James Matthews for appointment, by and with your consent, as a Police Commissioner of the City of New York, in place of James Matthews, whose term of office has expired.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 10, 1881.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

In pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, I hereby nominate William Lummis for appointment, by and with your consent, as a Commissioner of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, in place of John N. Hayward, whose term of office has expired.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 10, 1881.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

In pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, I hereby nominate Nathaniel L. McCready for appointment, by and with your consent, as a member of the Board of the Department of Docks of the City of New York, in place of Henry F. Dimock, whose term of office has expired.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 10, 1881.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

In pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, I hereby nominate William M. Olliffe for appointment, by and with your consent, as a Commissioner of the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York, in place of William M. Olliffe, whose term of office has expired.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 10, 1881.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

In pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, I hereby nominate Henry H. Porter for appointment, by and with your consent, as a Commissioner of the Department of Public Charities and Correction of the City of New York, in place of Townsend Cox, whose term of office has expired.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 10, 1881.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

In pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, I hereby nominate Henry D. Purroy for appointment, by and with your consent, as Fire Commissioner of the City of New York, in place of Vincent C. King, whose term of office has expired.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 10, 1881.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

In pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, I hereby nominate Woolsey Johnson for appointment, by and with your consent, as a Commissioner of Health of the City of New York, in place of Edward G. Janeway, whose term of office has expired.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Which was laid on the table, ordered to be printed in the minutes and published in full in the CITY RECORD, on motion of Alderman B. Kenney.

VETO MESSAGES FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 7, 1881.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted May 3, 1881, giving permission to the Dry Dock, East Broadway and Battery Railroad Company to erect posts and place a canvas awning thereon in front of their premises.

The resolution is too indefinite ; it fails to specify where the awning is to be erected. A permit for an awning complying with the requirements of the general ordinance can be obtained at the Permit Bureau.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Dry Dock, East Broadway, and Battery Railroad Company to erect posts and place a canvas awning thereon, in front of their premises, the work 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.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 5, 1881.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted April 26, 1881, providing that gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street, from Washington avenue to the Boston road.

One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street, between Fulton and Fordham avenues, which is included in this resolution, is not graded and is a steep, rocky hill without sidewalks or houses. Gas-mains could not be laid there or lamps erected in the present condition of the street. The resolution should be so altered as to include only those parts of One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street, between Washington and Fordham avenues and between Fulton avenue and the Boston road, where the street is in condition for the laying of mains and where lamps are required.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street, from Washington avenue to the Boston road.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 7, 1881.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted May 3, 1881, giving permission to W. H. Mott to place a sign in front of No. 603 Hudson street.

Sign posts on the curb-line are generally objectionable obstructions, and the sign described in this resolution would be especially so on account of its size.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to W. H. Mott to place and keep a sign in front of his place of business, No. 603 Hudson street, the work done at his own expense, 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.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 7, 1881.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted May 3, 1881, giving permission to the Composite Iron Works Co. to place two small images in front of No. 53 Chambers street.

The resolution is unnecessary, as a permit for these images can be obtained at the Permit Bureau.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Composite Iron Works Co. to place two small images in front of No. 53 Chambers street, the said images to be two feet high and two feet wide ; 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.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 7, 1881.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted May 3, 1881, giving permission to John F. Delury to keep a show-case in front of No. 214 Sixth avenue.

The resolution is unnecessary, as a permit for the show-case referred to can be obtained at the Permit Bureau.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to John F. Delury to keep a show-case in front of No. 214 Sixth avenue, within the stoop-line ; 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.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 7, 1881.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted May 3, 1881, giving permission to Giuseppe N. Motta to keep a stand in front of No. 116 Sixth avenue.

This stand is to be a large one and placed on the sidewalk near the curb. It would be a very objectionable obstruction in so great a thoroughfare as Sixth avenue.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Giuseppe N. Motta to place and keep a stand for the sale of fruit in front of No. 116 Sixth avenue, the consent of the owner of the premises having been obtained, and is hereto annexed, the work done at his own expense ; 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.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 7, 1881.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted May 3, 1881, giving permission to M. W. Cohen to place a sign on awning in front of No. 205 East One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street.

Signs extending across the sidewalk are generally objectionable and dangerous. No sufficient reason appears for making an exception in this case.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to M. W. Cohen to keep and place a sign on awning in front of No. 205 East One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, the work 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.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 7, 1881.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted May 3, 1881, giving permission to George F. Green, to place a barber's pole near the curb-stone in front of No. 102 West Thirtieth street.

Barber's poles on the curb are objectionable, especially in such a locality as the one specified in this resolution.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to George F. Green to place a barber's pole near curb-stone in front of No. 102 West Thirtieth street, the said pole to be six inches in diameter and ten feet high, 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.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 7, 1881.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted May 3, 1881, giving permission to John Kelleher to erect an awning in front of No. 302 Eighth avenue.

The occupants of adjoining property object to the erection of the proposed awning.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to John Kelleher of No. 302 Eighth avenue to erect and put up an awning in front of his place of business ; the same to remain at 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.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 7, 1881.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted May 3, 1881, giving permission to Ellen Burke to keep a stand for the sale of coffee, etc., on South street, between Roosevelt street and James slip.

This stand is to be placed in the middle of the square indicated. The Bureau of Incumbrances has several times removed stands such as this in the same locality.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Ellen Burke to keep a stand for the sale of coffee, pies, etc., on South street, between Roosevelt street and James slip, to be the same size as the one already there, and to remain 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.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 7, 1881.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted May 3, 1881, giving permission to D. P. Fairchild to display a banner sign in front of No. 58 Fulton street.

Banners suspended across the street are contrary to the general ordinance, and should not be authorized unless for temporary use in special cases. No reason is shown why this case should be an exception to the general rule.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to D. P. Fairchild to display a banner sign in front of No. 58 Fulton street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works ; 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.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 5, 1881.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted April 26, 1881, giving permission to Rudolph Bender to place and keep a watering-trough at No. 19 Broome street.

A resolution for a watering-trough at No. 16 Broome street was approved by me on April 18, 1881. An additional trough in the same locality is not needed, and would cause unnecessary consumption of Croton water.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Rudolph Bender to place and keep a watering-trough in front of No. 19 Broome street, the work done and water supplied 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.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 6, 1881.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted April 26, 1881, giving permission to James V. S. Woolley to erect bay-windows on houses on the northerly side of Seventy-ninth street, between Madison and Fourth avenues.

This resolution is accompanied by the consent only of the owner of adjoining property, having a frontage of 27 feet on the westerly side. There is no consent of the owner of adjoining property on the easterly side.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to James V. S. Woolley to erect bay-windows on houses about to be erected on the northerly side of Seventy-ninth street, between Madison and Fourth avenues, located as shown on the annexed diagram, the consent of the adjoining property-owners having been obtained and hereto annexed, the work done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioners of the Fire Department ; 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.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 5, 1881.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted April 26, 1881, providing that Croton-mains be laid in One Hundred and Sixtieth street, from Morris avenue to Railroad avenue, and in Railroad avenue, from One Hundred and Sixtieth to One Hundred and Sixty-first street.

There are only three houses to be supplied with water in a distance of 790 feet covered by this resolution. The Fire Commissioners have urgently requested that larger pipes be laid in many of the down-town streets. In view of this fact and in the present condition of the water supply the extension of water-pipes in the upper portions of the city, where not absolutely needed, should be avoided.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Resolved, That Croton-mains be laid in One Hundred and Sixtieth street, from Morris to Railroad avenue, and in Railroad avenue, from One Hundred and Sixtieth to One Hundred and Sixty-first street, as provided in chapter 381, Laws of 1879.

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

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS AND CORPORATION OFFICERS.

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

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, }
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, April 30, 1881.

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, 1881, 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.....	\$1,000 00	\$204 53
Contingencies—Clerk of the Common Council.....	250 00	17 50
Salaries—Common Council.....	63,000 00	20,494 41

RICHARD A. STORRS, Deputy Comptroller.

Which was ordered on file.

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

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, }
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, May 7, 1881.

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, 1881, both days inclusive, and of the payments made up to and including the date hereof, for and on account of each appropriation.

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RICHARD A. STORRS, Deputy Comptroller.

Which was ordered on file.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Commissioner of Public Works :

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 31 CHAMBERS STREET, }
NEW YORK, May 4, 1881.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

GENTLEMEN—With regard to the enclosed petition of property owners to have Jackson street, from Grand street to Front street, paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, which you have referred to me.

I would respectfully state that the street is now paved with cobble stone, and like all cobble pavements the surface is very rough and irregular, particularly between Grand and Monroe streets; but it is in no way dangerous. From Monroe street to Front street there is a railroad track. I consider it necessary that this, as well as all other cobble pavements, be removed and replaced by stone blocks or other good pavements; but this work can only be done gradually, according to the appropriations made for repaving.

In selecting annually the streets to be repaved the Department is guided by the degree of necessity as shown by the condition of the pavement and the amount of public travel. The selection for this year has been made and you have approved it; the repaving of the street must therefore be postponed for the present.

In the meantime the Department will make such temporary repairs as are necessary.

Very respectfully,

HUBERT O. THOMPSON, Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Health Department :

HEALTH DEPARTMENT, No. 301 MOTT STREET, }
NEW YORK, May 3, 1881.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

At a meeting of the Board of Health, held this day, a report of the President on oleomargarine was presented and approved, and a copy was ordered to be forwarded to your Honorable Body as a response to resolution adopted on the 28th ult., and received on that date from your Honorable Body. A copy of the report is enclosed.

Very respectfully,

EMMONS CLARK, Secretary.

NEW YORK, May 2, 1881.

To the Board of Health of the Health Department :

Having been directed by this Board to investigate the subject of oleomargarine in response to the resolutions of the Board of Aldermen, I would beg leave to submit the following report :

The resolutions directing the inquiry are as follows :

"Whereas, There is existing at the present time in the minds of the public great alarm and distrust in relation to the adulteration of food products; and

"Whereas, The Committee on Public Health of the Assembly of this State has been for some time investigating the adulteration of food products, and especially oleomargarine; and

"Whereas, This Committee have conducted such investigation by calling as witnesses principally dealers in butter, and have not examined as witnesses medical or chemical experts to determine the value of oleomargarine as food; therefore

"Resolved, That the Board of Health of this city be and they are hereby requested and directed to take immediate measures to investigate, in the most thorough manner, by medical and chemical aid, the purity, healthfulness, and value of said product as an article of food, and to report to this body the results of their investigation, with such recommendations, if any be necessary, as may relate to the manufacture and distribution of the same as an article of food."

This subject has been before the Board on former occasions, and I have little to add to what has been previously stated.

Oleomargarine, invented by the distinguished French chemist, Mege Mouriés, is manufactured in New York City in a few large establishments. The material is fresh beef suet, brought directly from the slaughter houses. It is thoroughly washed, rendered very carefully, strained to remove a portion of the hard stearine, and then churned with milk to convert it into artificial butter, which contains the same constituents as dairy butter. The process is extremely ingenious and simple, and is executed by machinery. Nothing objectionable exists in the original material, nor is anything objectionable added during the process, and the operations are conducted with the utmost cleanliness. The product is palatable and wholesome, can be made of uniform quality the year round, is in every respect superior as an article of food to a large proportion of the dairy butter sold in this city, and can be manufactured at a much lower price. I regard it as a most valuable article of food, and consider it entirely unexceptional in every respect. In this opinion I am supported by the best scientific authorities in the country. The following distinguished chemists, after carefully studying the manufacture, have made the most decided statements in favor of this new article of food:

Prof. George F. Barker, University of Pennsylvania.
Dr. Henry A. Mott, Jr., New York.
Prof. G. C. Caldwell, Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.
Prof. S. W. Johnson, Yale College, New Haven, Conn.
Prof. C. A. Goessmann, Massachusetts Agricultural College, Amherst, Mass.
Prof. Henry Morton, Stevens Institute, Hoboken, N. J.
Prof. Charles P. Williams, Philadelphia.
Prof. W. O. Atwater, Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn.
Prof. J. W. S. Arnold, University of New York.

I would further say that this question is one on which there is no difference of opinion among scientific investigators, familiar with the chemistry of dairy products and fats. I have never seen a statement emanating from any person having any standing among scientific men in which a contrary opinion is advanced. There has recently been a very strong confirmation of my opinion published in England. A bill came before the House of Commons in England, directed against this kind of butter from America, and after considerable discussion was defeated by a vote of 75 to 59. In the discussion the strongest opponent to legislation against it was Dr. Lyon Playfair, one of the most distinguished chemists and sanitary authorities in England. A pupil of Graham and Liebig, he has filled the chairs of chemistry in the Royal Institution of Manchester, and at the University of

Edinburgh was appointed Chemist to the Museum of Practical Geology by Sir Robert Peel, represented the Universities of Edinburgh and Aberdeen in Parliament, was Postmaster General in the first Gladstone cabinet, has been member of several sanitary commissions, and is now a leading member of Parliament. In his remarks he stated that "bad butter is a fraud upon the poor, and oleomargarine would sooner or later drive it out of the market;" he "thought that good oleomargarine at one shilling a pound was a great deal better and cheaper than bad butter at one shilling fourpence a pound;" and he said that "as a general rule the former (oleomargarine) did not become so readily rancid as the latter (butter)."

I would further state that as there is nothing unwholesome in oleomargarine, no legislation in regard to this article is necessary to protect the public health.

I append to this report a copy of the resolutions adopted by this Board on February 8, 1878, in response to a resolution of the State Senate requesting an opinion; and also a copy of a report which I made on March 27, 1880, in response to an inquiry addressed to me by Hon. M. R. Wise, Chairman of the Committee on Manufactures of the House of Representatives.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

C. F. CHANDLER, President.

Report to the Senate of the State of New York.

NEW YORK, February 8, 1878.

To the Honorable the Senate of the State of New York :

The Board of Health of the Health Department of the City of New York, having been requested to report upon the subject of oleomargarine, by the following resolutions of the Honorable the Senate of the State of New York :

"Resolved, That the Board of Health of the City of New York be requested to report to the Senate at as early a day as possible :

"1st. Whether in the opinion of said Board, oleomargarine is a good and wholesome article as food.

"2d. That if it is not, what legislation is required to effectually prevent its manufacture and sale.

"3d. That if it is, what additional legislation is necessary to prevent its imposition upon the public as pure butter, the product of the dairy."

—has given to the subject due consideration, and is of the opinion :

1st. That oleomargarine is a good and wholesome article of food.

2d. That no legislation is necessary to prevent its imposition upon the public as pure butter, the product of the dairy, additional to chapter 415 of the Laws of 1877. All of which is respectfully submitted.

By order of the Board,

C. F. CHANDLER, President.
EMMONS CLARK, Secretary.

A true copy.

EMMONS CLARK.

Letter to Hon. M. R. Wise, Chairman of the Committee on Manufactures, House of Representatives.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT, 301 MOTT STREET, }
NEW YORK, March 27, 1880.

MY DEAR SIR—In reply to your letter of inquiry, I would say that I have been familiar with the discovery of Mege Mouriés and its application in the manufacture of artificial butter, called "Butterine," or "Oleomargarine," since the date of its first publication.

I have frequently seen it manufactured, witnessing all the operations, and examining both the material and the product.

I have studied the subject with special reference to the question of its use as food, in comparison with the ordinary butter made from cream, and have satisfied myself that it is quite as valuable as the butter from the cow; that the material from which it is manufactured is perfectly fresh beef suet; that the processes are harmless; that the manufacture is conducted with great cleanliness. The product is palatable and wholesome, and I regard it as a most valuable article of food, and consider the discovery of Mege Mouriés as marking an era in the chemistry of the fats.

Butterine is manufactured of uniform quality the year round, and can be sold at a price far below that at which ordinary butter is sold. It does not readily become rancid, and is free from the objectionable taste and odor which characterize a large proportion of the butter sold in this market.

I am informed that there are at present thirteen factories in the United States licensed under the patents to manufacture this butter. The Commercial Manufacturing Company of New York is making at the present from 30,000 to 40,000 lbs. daily. In addition to this industry, there is a large manufacture of what is known as "oleomargarine oil," which is shipped as such to Europe, to be there converted into butter; so that this product has become an important article of export to foreign countries.

The beef suet which was formerly converted into common tallow, only suitable for the manufacture of soap, is, by this beautiful discovery, now manufactured into oleomargarine oil and stearine of double the value of the tallow formerly produced. The following analyses made by Drs. Brown and Mott sufficiently illustrate the composition of the Butterine :

Constituents.	No. 1, Natural Butter.	No. 2, Artificial Butter.
Water.....	11.968	11.203
Butter solids.....	88.032	88.797
	100.000	100.000
Insol. fats.....	23.824	24.893
{ Olein.....		
{ Palmatin.....		
{ Stearine.....		
{ Arachin.....	51.422	56.29
{ Myristin.....		
{ Butyrin.....		
Sol. fats.....	7.432	1.823
{ Caprin.....		
{ Caproin.....		
{ Caprylin.....		
Casein.....	.192	.621
Salt.....	5.162	5.162
Coloring matter.....	Trace.	Trace.
	88.032	88.797

Last winter a resolution was adopted by the Legislature of the State of New York, requesting the Board of Health of the City of New York to investigate the subject, and report whether in its opinion, the Butterine is a wholesome article of food. In response to this resolution, the Board of Health stated that in its opinion there is no sanitary objection whatever to the unrestricted manufacture and sale of this substance.

In support of my opinion herein expressed, I enclose the statement to the same effect made by Prof. George F. Barker, of the University of Pennsylvania; Dr. Henry A. Mott, Jr., of New York; Prof. S. C. Caldwell, of Cornell University; Prof. S. W. Johnson, of Yale College; Prof. C. A. Goessmann, of the Massachusetts Agricultural College; Prof. Henry Morton, of the Stevens Institute of Technology, of Hoboken; Dr. Chas. P. Williams, of Philadelphia; Prof. W. O. Atwater, of the Wesleyan University at Middletown, Conn.; and Prof. J. W. S. Arnold, of the Medical Department of the University of New York.

Hoping that this, my reply, contains all the information you desire, I remain,

Very respectfully yours,

CH. F. CHANDLER, Ph. D.,
President of the Board of Health.

To Hon. M. R. WISE,

Chairman of the Committee on Manufactures,
House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.

(Letter from Prof. Barker.)

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA,
PHILADELPHIA, March 22, 1880.

The United States Dairy Co.:

GENTLEMEN—In reply to your inquiry, I would say that I have been acquainted for several years with the discovery of Mege Mouriés for producing Butterine from oleomargarine fat. In theory, the process should yield a product resembling butter in all essential respects, having identically the same fatty constituents. The Butterine prepared under the inventor's patents is, therefore, in my opinion, quite as valuable a nutritive agent as butter itself. In practice, the process of manufacture, as I have witnessed it, is conducted with care and great cleanliness. The Butterine produced is pure and of excellent quality, is perfectly wholesome, and is desirable as an article of food. I can see no reason why Butterine should not be an entirely satisfactory equivalent for ordinary butter, whether considered from the physiological or commercial standpoint.

Respectfully yours,

GEORGE F. BARKER.

(Letter from Dr. Mott.)

H. A. MOTT, JR., Ph. D., E. M.,
ANALYTICAL AND CONSULTING CHEMIST,
OFFICE, 117 WALL STREET,
NEW YORK, March 12, 1880.

United States Dairy Co.:

GENTLEMEN—Having been acquainted for the past six years with the process of the manufacture of the product called Oleomargarine Butter, or Butterine, and having made numerous microscopical and chemical examinations of the product, I am clearly of the opinion that the product called Oleomargarine Butter is essentially identical with butter made from cream; and as the former contains less of those fats which, when decomposed, render the product rancid, it can be kept pure and sweet for a much longer time.

I consider the product of the Mège discovery a perfectly pure and wholesome article of food, which is destined to supplant the inferior grades of butter, and be placed side by side with the best product of the creamery.

Respectfully,
HENRY A. MOTT, JR., Ph. D.

(Letter from Prof. Caldwell.)

CHEMICAL LABORATORY, CORNELL UNIVERSITY,
ITHACA, N. Y., March 20, 1880.

I have witnessed, in all its stages, the manufacture of "Oleomargarine" and of Oleomargarine Butter or "Butterine."

The process for Oleomargarine when properly conducted, as in the works of the Commercial Manufacturing Co., is cleanly throughout, and includes every reasonable precaution necessary to secure a product entirely free from animal tissue, or any other impurity, and which shall consist of pure fat made up of the fats commonly known as oleine and margarine. It is, when thus prepared, a tasteless and inodorous substance, possessing no qualities whatever that can make it in the least degree unwholesome when used in reasonable quantities as an article of food.

In the manufacture of Butterine, since nothing but milk, annatto, and salt, together with perhaps a little water from clean ice, are added to this Oleomargarine, to be intimately mixed with it by churning and other operations, I have no hesitation in affirming that this also, when properly made according to the Mège patent and other patents held by the United States Dairy Co., and when used in reasonable quantities, is a perfectly wholesome article of food; and that, while not equal to fine butter in respect to flavor, it nevertheless contains all the essential ingredients of butter, and since it contains a smaller proportion of volatile fats than is found in genuine butter, it is, in my opinion, less liable to become rancid.

It cannot enter into competition with fine butter; but in so far as it may serve to drive poor butter out of the market, its manufacture will be a public benefit.

S. C. CALDWELL.

(Letter from Prof. Johnson.)

SHEFFIELD SCIENTIFIC SCHOOL OF YALE COLLEGE,
NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT, March 20, 1880.

The United States Dairy Co.:

GENTLEMEN—I am acquainted with the process discovered by M. Mège for producing the article known in commerce as Oleomargarine or Butterine.

I have witnessed the manufacture in all its stages, as carried out on the large scale, and I can assert that when it is conducted according to the specifications of M. Mège it cannot fail to yield a product that is entirely attractive and wholesome as food, and one that is for all ordinary, culinary, and nutritive purposes the full equivalent of good butter made from cream.

Oleomargarine Butter has the closest resemblance to butter made from cream in its external qualities—color, flavor, and texture. It has the same appearance under the microscope, and in chemical composition differs not in the nature, but only in the proportions of its components. It is therefore fair to pronounce them essentially identical.

While Oleomargarine contains less of those flavoring principles which characterize the choicest butter, it is, perhaps, for that very reason comparatively free from the tendency to change and taint, which speedily renders a large proportion of butter unfit for human food.

I regard the manufacture of Oleomargarine or Butterine as a legitimate and beneficent industry.

S. W. JOHNSON,
Professor of Theoretical and Agricultural Chemistry; Director of the
Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station.

(Letter from Prof. Goessmann.)

AMHERST, MASS., March 20, 1880.

United States Dairy Co., New York:

GENTLEMEN—I have visited on the 17th and 18th of the present month, your factory on West Forty-eighth street, for the purpose of studying your mode of applying Mège's discovery for the manufacture of Oleomargarine Butter or Butterine. A careful examination into the character of the material turned to account, as well as into the details of the entire management of the manufacturing operation, has convinced me that your product is made with care, and furnishes thus a wholesome article of food. Your Oleomargarine Butter or Butterine compares in general appearance and in taste very favorably with the average quality of the better kinds of the dairy butter in our markets. In its composition it resembles that of the ordinary Dairy butter; and in its keeping quality, under corresponding circumstances, I believe it will surpass the former, for it contains a smaller percentage of those constituents (glycerides of volatile acids) which, in the main, cause the well-known rancid taste and odor of a stored butter.

I am very respectfully yours,
C. A. GOESSMANN, Ph. D., Professor of Chemistry.

(Letter from Prof. Morton.)

STEVENS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY,
HOBOKEN, NEW JERSEY, March 16, 1880.

United States Dairy Co.:

GENTLEMEN—During the last three years I have had occasion to examine the product known as artificial butter, Oleomargarine, or Butterine, first produced by M. Mège, of Paris, and described by him in his patent of July 17th, 1869.

I have also frequently witnessed the manufacture of this material, and with these opportunities of knowing exactly what it is, I am able to say with confidence that it contains nothing whatever which is injurious as an article of diet; but, on the contrary, is essentially identical with the best fresh butter, and is very superior to much of the butter made from cream alone which is found in the market.

The conditions of its manufacture involve a degree of cleanliness and consequent purity in the product, such as are by no means necessarily or generally attained in the ordinary making of butter from cream.

Yours, etc.,
HENRY MORTON.

(Letter from Dr. Williams.)

LABORATORY, No. 912 SAMSON STREET,
PHILADELPHIA, March 22, 1880.

During a period of upwards of two years I have been practically familiar with the details of the manufacture by the Mège method of Oleomargarine Butter or "Butterine." From my experience and observation of the care and cleanliness absolutely necessary in the manufacture of this product, together with my knowledge of its composition, I am satisfied that it is a pure and wholesome article of food, and in this respect, as well as in respect to its chemical composition, fully the equivalent of the best quality of dairy butter.

I will add further, that, owing to the presence of a less quantity of the volatile fats, the keeping qualities of the Oleomargarine Butter are far superior to those of the dairy product.

CHARLES P. WILLIAMS, Ph. D.,
Analytical Chemist; late Director and Professor Missouri School of Mines, State University.

(Letter from Prof. Atwater.)

WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY,
MIDDLETOWN, CONN., March 29, 1880.

I have carefully looked into the theory and the practice of the manufacture of Butterine (Oleomargarine) by the "Mège process," and examined the product. A consideration of the materials used, the process of manufacture, and the chemical and microscopical character of the Butterine, seem to me to fully justify the following statements:

As to its qualitative composition, it contains essentially the same ingredients as natural butter from cows' milk.

Quantitatively, it differs from ordinary butter in having but little of the volatile fats which, while they are agreeable in flavor, are, at the same time, liable to rancidity. I should, accordingly, expect Butterine to keep better than ordinary butter. The best evidence within my reach indicates that just such is the case. The Butterine is perfectly wholesome and healthy, and has a high nutritious value. The same entirely favorable opinion I find expressed by the most prominent European authorities—English, French, and German—who are unanimous in their high estimate of the value of the "Mège discovery," and approval of the material whose production has thereby been made practicable.

I am very truly yours,
W. O. ATWATER.

(Letter from Prof. Arnold.)

UNIVERSITY PHYSIOLOGICAL LABORATORY,
410 EAST TWENTY-SIXTH STREET, April 2, 1880.

This is to certify that I have carefully examined the "Mège Patent Process" for the manufacture of Oleomargarine Butter or Butterine; that I have seen and tasted at the factory each and every ingredient employed; that I have made thorough microscopical examinations of the materials used and of the butter; and I consider that each and every article employed in the manufacture of Oleomargarine Butter or Butterine is perfectly pure and wholesome; that the Oleomargarine Butter differs in no essential manner from butter made from cream; in fact, the Oleomargarine Butter possesses the advantage over natural butter of not decomposing so readily, as it contains fewer volatile fats. In my opinion, Oleomargarine is to be considered a great discovery, a blessing for the poor, and in every way a perfectly pure, wholesome, and palatable article of food.

J. W. S. ARNOLD, A.M., M.D.,

Prof. Physiology and Histology, Med. Dep. Univ. New York.

Which was ordered to be printed in the CITY RECORD.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Law Department:

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, April 21, 1881.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—I have received your resolution, passed April 12, 1881, as follows:

"Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be and he is hereby requested to inform this Board, at his earliest convenience, if the provisions of the act chapter 461, Laws of 1880, to regulate the leasing of real estate by the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, are in conflict with the provisions of sections 34 and 36 of the act chapter 223, Laws of 1875, and section 47 of the act chapter 275 of the Laws of 1878, both relating to and amendatory of the act chapter 80, Laws of 1870, being 'An act to provide for the enrollment of the militia, for the organization of the National Guard of the State of New York, and for the public defense, and entitled the Military Code,' and also, does the said Law of 1880, chapter 461, repeal or annul the provisions of said sections 34 and 36, chapter 223, Laws of 1875, and section 47 of chapter 275, Laws of 1878."

The act amendatory of the Military Code, (chapter 2230 of the Laws of 1875), in section 34 and 36 provides that in the city of New York, upon the proper demands, countersigns and certificates required by the act, the Board of Aldermen, by a resolution duly passed, and approved by the Mayor, may authorize the purchasing, leasing or erection of buildings for armories and drill-rooms; and that the leases so authorized shall be approved as to their terms, and manner of execution, by the Mayor, by the President of the Board of Aldermen, and the Comptroller of the City of New York, or a majority of them.

Also that in case an armory shall not be erected or rented for the use of a troop, battery or company, within three months after proper application has been made therefor, the commandant thereof may rent a proper building, to be used for such armory, provided that the rent therefor shall not exceed the sum specified in the act.

By section 47 of chapter 275 of the Laws of 1878, the act of 1875 was amended by increasing the amount allowed for the rent of the armory for each troop, battery or company, to the sum of \$500 for each, in the several cities of this State.

By chapter 461, Laws of 1880, the Legislature enacted further provisions in respect to the leasing of real estate by the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty.

That act is entitled "An act to regulate the leasing of real estate by the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the city of New York." It provides (section 1) that all applications to lease any real estate for the purposes of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the city of New York, must hereafter be presented to, and passed upon by, the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of said city.

In section 2 it is made the duty of the Comptroller of the city to present to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund a statement in writing of the facts relating to any real estate proposed to be leased, with his opinion, and the reasons therefor, as to the fair and reasonable rent of said premises.

The Commissioners are then empowered, upon such report, and such further inquiry as they may make, to authorize a lease of the premises specified in their resolution, at the rent therein stated therefor, for a period not exceeding five years, if the commissioners are satisfied, and shall express that it would be for the interests of the city that a lease of the premises for the purposes specified should be made.

The leasing of premises as armories or drill-rooms is, in my opinion, leasing for the "purposes of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty."

The act, chapter 461 of the Laws of 1880, prescribes a system of leasing real estate by the city for every public purpose.

All leases of real estate required to be made after the passage of said act, for any public purpose by the city, are governed by the provisions of that act.

I am therefore of the opinion that the provisions of the military code, as far as they provide what officers of the city shall act in making the lease, are superseded and annulled by the inconsistent provisions of the act of 1880, and that all leases of real estate for military purposes must now be made by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, upon the proper applications presented to them.

Yours respectfully,

W. C. WHITNEY, Counsel to the Corporation.

Which was ordered on file.

MESSAGES FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR RESUMED.

The President laid before the Board the following resolution returned by request from his Honor the Mayor:

Resolved, That One Hundred and Thirtieth street, from the west curb-line of Sixth avenue to the east curb-line of Eighth avenue, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, and that at the several intersecting streets and avenues crosswalks be laid, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

The vote by which the above resolution was adopted, was reconsidered and the papers ordered on file.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

Alderman Strack 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 negative.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Alderman Wells called up G. O. 125, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That Croton water-mains be laid in Jerome or Central avenue, from McComb's Dam Bridge to Croton avenue, as provided in chapter 381 of the Laws of 1879.

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

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

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Autenreith, Cavanagh, Finck, Hawes, Hilliard, B. Kenney, P. Kenney, McAvoy, McClave, Murphy, Perley, Power, Sauer, Seaman, Sheils, Slevin, Strack, Waite, and Wells—20.

Alderman Wells called up G. O. 128, being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Croton water-mains be laid in the Kingsbridge road, from the old McComb's Dam road to a point on said Kingsbridge road distant three hundred feet southerly from its junction with the road to Williamsbridge, as provided in chapter 381, Laws of 1879.

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

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

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Autenreith, Cavanagh, Finck, Hawes, Hilliard, B. Kenney, P. Kenney, McAvoy, McClave, Murphy, Perley, Power, Seaman, Sheils, Slevin, Strack, Waite, and Wells—19.

Alderman McAvoy called up veto message of his Honor the Mayor of resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to John Delaney to place and keep a watering-trough on the sidewalk in Fifty-ninth street, north side, near the northwest corner of Eleventh avenue, the work done and water supplied 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.

Appointments—Patrolmen.

George Warner, Eighth Precinct.
 Bernard McDonald, Eighth Precinct.
 Resolved, That the following transfers, detail, and remand be and are hereby ordered :
 Patrolman Charles W. Waldron, from Thirty-fourth-Precinct to Thirty-third Precinct.
 " Lawrence Duffy, from Eighth Precinct to Thirty-fourth Precinct.
 " Harvey Miller, from Twenty-ninth Precinct to Twenty-third Precinct.
 " James Sarvis, from Seventh Precinct to Twenty-fourth Precinct.
 " Frederick R. Lewis, from Sixteenth Precinct to Twenty-fourth Precinct.
 " John Harvey, from Thirteenth Precinct to Twenty-ninth Precinct.
 " Patrick Ginley, from Seventeenth Precinct remand to patrol.
 " Edward Hagan, from Seventeenth Precinct detail at Woman's Hospital.
 Adjourned.

S. C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Statement and Return of Moneys received by WILLIAM A. BOYD, Corporation Attorney, rendered to the Comptroller in pursuance of the provisions of sections 38 and 96 of chapter 335 of the Laws of 1873, and section 23 of chapter 628 of the Laws of 1878, as amended by chapter 109 of the Laws of 1878.

DATE.	WHAT FOR.	PENALTIES.	COSTS.	TOTAL.
June 21, 1879.	Violation of Excise Law	\$50 00	\$30 12	\$80 12
Total amount collected				\$80 12
Less Disbursements				4 62
Balance paid Comptroller				\$75 50

Dated May 9, 1881.

WILLIAM A. BOYD, Corporation Attorney.

APPROVED PAPERS.

Resolved, That Martin J. McNery be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Edgar Odell, who has failed to qualify.
 Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 3, 1881.
 Approved by the Mayor, May 5, 1881.

AN ORDINANCE to amend section 93 of article VIII. of chapter 8 of the Revised Ordinances, approved December 31, 1880.

The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York do ordain as follows :
 Section 1. Section 93 of article VIII. of chapter 8 of the Revised Ordinances, approved December 31, 1880, is hereby amended by striking out the figures "74" and inserting in lieu thereof the figures "89," and by striking out the word "hereinafter," so that said section when so amended shall read as follows :

§ 93. The owner or driver of any hackney coach or cab shall not demand or be entitled to receive any pay for the conveyance of any passenger, unless the number of the carriage and rates of prices be conspicuously fixed in and on said carriage or cab, as provided by section 89 of this article, under penalty of five dollars.

Sec. 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 3, 1881.

Approved by the Mayor, May 6, 1881.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to John C. Donnelly to place and keep bay-windows on the houses about to be erected by him in Fifty-seventh street, between the Fifth and Sixth avenues, as shown on the accompanying diagram ; being a bay-window on the first, and an oriel window on the second story of each house, and not to project outwardly more than 3 feet 8 inches, the work done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioners of the Fire Department ; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, April 26, 1881.

Approved by the Mayor, May 7, 1881.

Resolved, That Croton-mains be laid in Morris avenue, between One Hundred and Sixty-fourth and One Hundred and Sixty-fifth streets, as provided by chapter 381, Laws of 1879.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 3, 1881.

Approved by the Mayor, May 7, 1881.

Resolved, That the name of Francis A. Wandell, recently appointed a Commissioner of Deeds, be corrected so as to read Francis L. Wandell.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 3, 1881.

Approved by the Mayor, May 5, 1881.

Resolved, That the names of Justus Hawkes, recently appointed a Commissioner of Deeds, be and is hereby corrected so as to read Justus Hawks.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 3, 1881.

Approved by the Mayor, May 5, 1881.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 3, 1881.

Approved by the Mayor, May 5, 1881.

Resignation of Michael J. Morrison as a Commissioner of Deeds.
 Resolved, That William M. Ivins be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Michael J. Morrison, who has resigned.

Resignation accepted and resolution adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 3, 1881.

Approved by the Mayor, May 5, 1881.

Resignation of W. N. Hopcroft as a Commissioner of Deeds.
 Resolved, That George Hopcroft be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of W. N. Hopcroft, who has resigned.

Resignation accepted and resolution adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 3, 1881.

Approved by the Mayor, May 5, 1881.

Resolved, That Hugh J. Grant be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Terence J. McCahill, who has failed to qualify.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 3, 1881.

Approved by the Mayor, May 5, 1881.

Resolved, That the name of Adison J. Jerome, recently appointed a Commissioner of Deeds, be corrected so as to read Addison G. Jerome.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 3, 1881.

Approved by the Mayor, May 5, 1881.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to F. Kanter to place and keep an ornamental clock in front of No. 700 Broadway, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works ; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 3, 1881.

Approved by the Mayor, May 5, 1881.

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 April 30, 1881.

Barometer.

DATE.	APRIL.	7 A. M.		2 P. M.		9 P. M.		Mean for the Day.	MAXIMUM.			MINIMUM.		
		Observed Height.	Reduced to Freezing.	Observed Height.	Reduced to Freezing.	Observed Height.	Reduced to Freezing.		Observed Height.	Reduced to Freezing.	Time.	Observed Height.	Reduced to Freezing.	Time.
Sunday,	24	30.206	30.148	30.060	29.935	29.966	29.849	29.977	30.250	30.195	0 A. M.	29.964	29.831	7 P. M.
Monday,	25	29.990	29.887	30.014	29.908	29.968	29.908	29.901	30.014	29.908	2 P. M.	29.952	29.897	12 P. M.
Tuesday,	26	29.824	29.777	29.784	29.701	29.778	29.700	29.726	29.952	29.897	0 A. M.	29.770	29.668	6 P. M.
Wednesday,	27	29.852	29.790	29.884	29.799	29.892	29.821	29.803	29.892	29.821	9 P. M.	29.778	29.705	0 A. M.
Thursday,	28	29.948	29.885	30.012	29.901	30.030	29.932	29.906	30.130	29.932	9 P. M.	29.862	29.802	3 A. M.
Friday,	29	29.906	29.838	29.968	29.878	30.080	30.006	29.907	30.146	30.088	12 P. M.	29.878	29.807	4 A. M.
Saturday,	30	30.238	30.188	30.194	30.109	30.336	30.277	30.191	30.386	30.341	12 P. M.	30.146	30.088	0 A. M.

Mean for the week..... 29.916 inches.
 Maximum " at 12 P. M., April 30..... 30.341 "
 Minimum " at 6 P. M., April 26..... 29.668 "
 Range "673 "

Thermometers.

DATE.	APRIL.	7 A. M.		2 P. M.		9 P. M.		MEAN.	MAXIMUM.			MINIMUM.			MAXIMUM.
		Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.		Time.	Wet Bulb.	Time.	Dry Bulb.	Time.	Wet Bulb.	In Sun.
Sunday,	24	50	46	75	62	72	61	65.6	5 P. M.	64	5 P. M.	47	5 A. M.	45	118
Monday,	25	67	57	68	55	51	47	63.0	12 M.	61	12 M.	49	12 P. M.	46	122
Tuesday,	26	46	46	60	56	58	57	54.6	5 P. M.	63	5 P. M.	45	5 A. M.	45	105
Wednesday,	27	52	52	59	55	53	53	55.6	9 A. M.	60	9 A. M.	52	7 A. M.	52	97
Thursday,	28	52	52	70	61	65	60	62.3	6 P. M.	64	6 P. M.	51	3 A. M.	51	122
Friday,	29	54	53	62	58	56	48	57.3	3 P. M.	60	3 P. M.	50	12 P. M.	45	115
Saturday,	30	47	43	60	51	50	44	52.3	3 P. M.	52	3 P. M.	45	12 P. M.	41	111

Mean for the week..... 58.6 degrees.
 Maximum for the week, at 5 P. M., 24th... 81. "
 Minimum " " at 5 A. M., 26th... 45. "
 Range " " 36. "

Wind.

DATE.	APRIL.	DIRECTION.			VELOCITY IN MILES.				FORCE IN POUNDS PER SQUARE FOOT.				
		7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	Distance for the Day.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	Max.	Time.
Sunday,	24....	WSW	WSW	WSW	90	112	100	302	1	4½	½	5½	1.50 P. M.
Monday,	25....	ENE	SE	ENE	24	58	79	161	¾	4½	0	4½	2 P. M.
Tuesday,	26....	ENE	S	NE	72	26	33	131	¾	0	0	1	1 A. M.
Wednesday,	27....	NE	ESE	SE	14	46	30	90	0	¾	¾	1¾	9.30 A. M.
Thursday,	28....	E	NW	S	37	59	47	143	½	1	0	2¾	1.15 P. M.
Friday,	29....	E	W	NNE	27	23	84	134	0	1	0	5¾	3.15 P. M.
Saturday,	30....	WNW	SSE	S	24	74	83	181	¾	1¾	¾	5¾	11.20 A. M.

Distance traveled during the week..... 1,142 miles.
 Maximum force " " 5¾ pounds.

DATE.	APRIL.	Hygrometer.					Clouds.			Rain and Snow.				
		FORCE OF VAPOR.			RELATIVE HUMIDITY.		CLEAR, OVERCAST, 10.			DEPTH OF RAIN AND SNOW IN INCHES.				
		7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	Time of Beginning.	Time of Ending.	Duration.	Amount of Water.	Depth of Snow.
Sunday,	24	.258	.382	.390	71	44	0	0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Monday,	25	.333	.261	.270	50	38	2 Cir. Cu.	7 Cir. Cu.	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tuesday,	26	.311	.396	.452	100	76	10	10	10	4 A. M.	6.30 A. M.	2.30	.14	.....
Wednesday,	27	.388	.487	.376	100	94	2 Cir. Cu.	10	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thursday,	28	.388	.416	.451	100	57	6 Cir. Cu.	2 Cu.	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Friday,	29	.389	.429	.230	93	77	10	4 Cir. Cu.	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Saturday,	30	.225	.255	.209	70	49	1 S	7 Cir. Cu.	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Total amount of water for the week..... .14 inch.

DANIEL DRAPER, PH. D., Director.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY

STATEMENT OF THE HOURS DURING WHICH all the Public Offices in the City are open for business, and at which each Court regularly opens and adjourns, as well as of the places where such offices are kept and such Courts are held; together with the heads of Departments and Courts.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Mayor's Office.
No. 6 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.
WILLIAM R. GRACE, Mayor; JOHN TRACY, Chief Clerk; WILLIAM M. IVINS, Secretary.

Mayor's Marshal's Office.
No. 1 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.
CHARLES REILLY, First Marshal.

Permit Bureau Office.
No. 13 1/2 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.
HENRY WOLTMAN, Registrar.

Sealers and Inspectors of Weights and Measures.
No. 7 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.
WILLIAM EYLER, Sealer First District; THOMAS BRADY, Sealer Second District; JOHN MURRAY, Inspector First District; JOSEPH SHANNON, Inspector Second District.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Office of Clerk of Common Council.
No. 8 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.
PATRICK KEENAN, President Board of Aldermen.
FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk Common Council.

City Library.
No. 12 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.
LUKE C. GRIMES, Librarian.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Commissioner's Office.
No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
HUBERT O. THOMPSON, Commissioner; FREDERICK H. HAMLIN, Deputy Commissioner.

Bureau of Water Register.
No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN H. CHAMBERS, Register.

Bureau of Incumbrances.
No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOSEPH BLUMENTHAL, Superintendent.

Bureau of Lamps and Gas.
No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
STEPHEN MCCORMICK, Superintendent.

Bureau of Streets.
No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JAMES J. MOONEY, Superintendent.

Bureau of Chief Engineer.
No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
ISAAC NEWTON, Chief Engineer.

Bureau of Street Improvements.
No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
GEORGE A. JEREMIAH, Superintendent.

Bureau of Repairs and Supplies.
No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
THOMAS H. MCAVOY, Superintendent.

Bureau of Water Purveyor.
No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
DANIEL O'REILLY, Water Purveyor.

Keeper of Buildings in City Hall Park.
JOHN F. SLOPER, City Hall.

Bureau of Sewers.
No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
STEVENSON TOWLE, Engineer-in-Charge.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

Comptroller's Office.
Nos. 19 and 20 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
ALLAN CAMPBELL, Comptroller; RICHARD A. STORRS, Deputy Comptroller.

Auditing Bureau.
No. 19 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
DANIEL JACKSON, Auditor of Accounts.

Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and of Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents.
No. 5 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
ARTEMAS CADY, Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears.

Bureau for the Collection of City Revenues and of Markets.
No. 6 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
THOMAS F. DEVOE, Collector of City Revenue and Superintendent of Markets.

Bureau for the Collection of Taxes.
First floor Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park.
MARTIN T. MCMAHON, Receiver of Taxes; ALFRED VREDENBURG, Deputy Receiver of Taxes.

Bureau of the City Chamberlain.
No. 18 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
J. NELSON TAPPAN, City Chamberlain.

Office of the City Paymaster.
Room 1, New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
MOOR FALLS, City Paymaster.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Office of the Counsel to the Corporation.
Staats Zeitung Building, third floor, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.
WILLIAM C. WHITNEY, Counsel to the Corporation.
ANDREW T. CAMPBELL, Chief Clerk.

Office of the Public Administrator.
No. 49 Beekman street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
ALGERNON S. SULLIVAN, Public Administrator.

Office of the Corporation Attorney.
No. 49 Beekman street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WILLIAM A. BOYD, Corporation Attorney.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Central Office.
No. 300 Mulberry street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
STEPHEN B. FRENCH, President; SETH C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.
Central Office.
No. 66 Third Avenue, corner Eleventh street, 8:30 A. M. to 5:30 P. M.
JACOB HESS, President; GEORGE F. BRITTON, Secretary.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Headquarters.
Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street.
VINCENT C. KING, President; CARL JUSSEN, Secretary.

Bureau of Chief of Department.
ELI BATES, Chief of Department.

Bureau of Inspector of Combustibles.
PETER SEERY, Inspector of Combustibles.

Bureau of Fire Marshal.
GEORGE H. SHELTON, Fire Marshal.

Bureau of Inspection of Buildings.
WM. P. ESTERBROOK, Inspector of Buildings.
Office hours, Headquarters and Bureaus, from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. (Saturdays to 3 P. M.)

Attorney to Department.
WM. L. FINDLEY, Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street and No. 120 Broadway.

Fire Alarm Telegraph.
J. ELLIOT SMITH, Superintendent of Telegraph.
Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street.

Repair Shops.
Nos. 128 and 130 West Third street.
JOHN McCABE, Captain-in-Charge, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.

Hospital Stables.
No. 199 Christie street.
DEDERICK G. GALE, Superintendent of Horses.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.
No. 301 Mott street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
CHARLES F. CHANDLER, President; EMMONS CLARK, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.
No. 36 Union square, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
EDWARD P. BARKER, Secretary.

Civil and Topographical Office.
Arsenal, 64th street and 5th Avenue, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Office of Superintendent of 23d and 24th Wards.
Fordham 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.
Nos. 11 and 119 Duane street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
EUGENE T. LYNCH, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.
Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
THOMAS B. ASTEN, President; ALBERT STORER, Secretary.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS.
Office, City Hall, Room No. 11 1/2, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN R. LYDECKER, Chairman; WM. H. JASPER, Secretary.

BOARD OF EXCISE.
Corner Mulberry and Houston streets, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WILLIAM P. MITCHELL, President; ANTHONY HARTMAN, Chief Clerk.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE.
Nos. 3 and 4 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
PETER BOWE, Sheriff; JOEL O. STEVENS, Under Sheriff.

REGISTER'S OFFICE.
East side City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
AUGUSTUS T. DOCHARTY, Register; I. FAIRFAX McLAUGHLIN, Deputy Register.

COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS.
No. 1 County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WM. PITT SHEARMAN, JOHN W. BARROW.

JURORS.
NOTICE
IN RELATION TO JURORS FOR STATE COURTS

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF JURORS,
NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE,
NEW YORK, July 1, 1880.

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

In those who have not answered as to their liability, or proved permanent exemption, will receive a "jury enrollment notice," requiring them to appear before me this year. Whether liable or not, such notices must be answered (in person, if possible, and at this office only) under severe penalties. If exempt, the party must bring proof of exemption; if liable, he must also answer in person, giving full and correct name, residence, etc., etc. No attention paid to letters.

Persons "enrolled" as liable must serve when called or pay their fines. No mere excuse will be allowed or interference permitted. The fines, received from those who, for business or other reasons, are unable to serve at the time selected, pay the expenses of this office, and if unpaid will be entered as judgments upon the property of the delinquents.

All good citizens will aid the course of justice, and secure reliable and respectable juries, and equalize their duty by serving promptly when summoned, allowing their clerks or subordinates to serve, reporting to me any attempt at bribery or evasion, and suggesting names for enrollment. Persons between sixty and seventy years of age, summer absentees, persons temporarily ill, and United States and District Court jurors are not exempt.

Every man must attend to his own notice. It is a misdemeanor to give any jury paper to another to answer. It is also punishable by fine or imprisonment to give or receive any present or bribe, directly or indirectly, in relation to a jury service, or to withhold any paper or make any false statement, and every case will be fully prosecuted.

THOMAS DUNLAP, Commissioner,
County Court-house (Chambers street entrance).

FIRE DEPARTMENT.
HEADQUARTERS
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,
NEW YORK, May 10, 1881.

TO CONTRACTORS.
SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING AND constructing a Floating Engine and Fire Pumps for the same, will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the Headquarters of the Fire Department, at the office of said Department, Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street, in the City of New York, until 10 o'clock A. M., Wednesday, May 25, 1881, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read.

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

Any person making an estimate for the work shall present the same in a sealed envelope, to said Board, at said office, on or before the day and hour above named, which envelope shall be indorsed with the name or names of the person or persons presenting the same, the date of its presentation, and a statement of the work to which it relates.

Separate estimates must be made for constructing and furnishing the Floating Engine complete, without the Fire Pumps, and for the Fire Pumps alone.

Bidders are requested to state, additionally, for what amount per frame they will increase or decrease length of hull and deck house from dead flat forward, in case increased or decreased length should be required.

Two responsible sureties will be required with each estimate, who must each justify, prior to its presentation, in a sum not less than one-half the amount of the estimate.

The Floating Engine is to be completed in one hundred and twenty days, and the Pumps in ninety days after the date of the contract.

For information as to the amount and kind of work to be done bidders are referred to the specifications and drawings, which form part of these proposals.

The damages to be paid by the contractor for each day that the contract may be unfulfilled after the time specified for the completion thereof shall have expired, are, by a clause in the contract, fixed and liquidated at fifty dollars per day.

Should the person or persons to whom the contract is awarded neglect or refuse to accept the contract for forty-eight (48) hours after written notice that the same has been awarded to his or their bid or estimate, or if, after acceptance, he or they should refuse or neglect to execute the contract and give proper security within five days after notice that the contract is ready for execution, he or they will be considered as having abandoned it and as in default to the Corporation, and the contract will be re-advertised and relet, and so on until it be accepted and executed.

The Fire Department reserves the right to decline any and all bids or estimates if deemed to be for the public interest. No bid or estimate will be accepted from, or contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same; the names of all persons interested with him or them therein; and if no other person be so interested, it shall distinctly state that fact; that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; and that no member of the Common Council, Head of a Department, Chief of a Bureau, Deputy thereof or Clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof.

The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect, that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance; and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they shall pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion, and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting; the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of the contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities, as bail, surety, or otherwise; and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by law. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered is to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.

No estimate will be received or considered after the hour named.

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the national banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money, to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but, if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

Bidders will write out the amount of their estimate, in addition to inserting the same in figures.

The form of the agreement, including drawings and specifications, and showing the manner of payment may be seen at the office of the Department.

CORNELIUS VAN COTT,
JOHN J. GORMAN,
VINCENT C. KING,
Commissioners.

HEADQUARTERS
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,
NEW YORK, May 10, 1881.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR DOING THE WORK and furnishing the materials required in the proposed rebuilding and alteration of a house for Engine Co. No. 31, located at No. 116 Leonard street, will be received as above, until 12 o'clock A. M., Wednesday, May 25, 1881, when they will be publicly opened and read.

No proposal will be received or considered after the hour named.

No bid or estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the national banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money, to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but, if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

Plans and specifications and the form of contract to be entered into by the successful bidder may be seen, and blank proposals will be furnished on application at these headquarters.

Two responsible sureties will be required with each proposal, who must each justify thereon, prior to its presentation, in not less than one-half the amount thereof.

Proposals must be addressed on the envelope "To the Board of Commissioners," with the indorsement "Proposal for rebuilding and altering house for Engine Co. No. 31," and the name of the bidder.

The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all of the proposals submitted, if deemed to be for the interests of the city.

CORNELIUS VAN COTT,
JOHN J. GORMAN,
VINCENT C. KING,
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VINCENT C. KING,
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,
NEW YORK, May 10, 1881.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR DOING THE WORK and furnishing the materials required in the proposed rebuilding and alteration of a house for Engine Co. No. 1, located at No. 165 West Twenty-ninth street, will be received as above, until 10 o'clock A. M., Wednesday, May 25, 1881, when they will be publicly opened and read.

No proposal will be received or considered after the hour named.

No bid or estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the national banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money, to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but, if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

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Two responsible sureties will be required with each proposal, who must each justify thereon, prior to its presentation, in not less than one-half the amount thereof.

Proposals must be addressed on the envelope "To the Board of Commissioners," with the indorsement "Proposal for rebuilding and altering house for Engine Co. No. 1," and the name of the bidder.

The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all of the proposals submitted, if deemed to be for the interests of the city.

CORNELIUS VAN COTT,
JOHN J. GORMAN,
VINCENT C. KING,
Commissioners.

HEADQUARTERS
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,
NEW YORK, May 10, 1881.

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CORNELIUS VAN COTT,
VINCENT C. KING,
JOHN J. GORMAN,
Commissioners.

HEADQUARTERS
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,
NEW YORK, May 7, 1881.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT EIGHT (8) horses (numbered respectively 1, 14, 25, 82, 160, 168, 212, 225) will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, on Friday, 13th instant, at 12 o'clock M., by Van Tassel & Kearney, auctioneers, at Nos. 110 and 112 East Thirtieth street.

VINCENT C. KING,
JOHN J. GORMAN,
CORNELIUS VAN COTT,
Commissioners.

HEADQUARTERS
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,
NEW YORK, April 25, 1881.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR DOING THE WORK and furnishing the materials required in the proposed building and erection of a house for Engine Co. No. 21, located at No. 216 East Fortieth street, will be received as above, until 10 o'clock A. M., Wednesday, May 11, 1881, when they will be publicly opened and read.

No proposal will be received or considered after the hour named.

Plans and specifications and the form of contract to be entered into by the successful bidder may be seen, and blank proposals will be furnished on application at these headquarters.

Two responsible sureties will be required with each proposal, who must each justify thereon, prior to its presentation, in not less than one-half the amount thereof.

Proposals must be addressed on the envelope "To the Board of Commissioners," with the indorsement "Proposal for building and erecting house for Engine Co. No. 21," and the name of the bidder.

The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all of the proposals submitted, if deemed to be for the interests of the city.

VINCENT C. KING,
JOHN J. GORMAN,
CORNELIUS VAN COTT,
Commissioners.

HEADQUARTERS
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,
NEW YORK, April 25, 1881.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR DOING THE WORK and furnishing the materials required in the proposed building and erection of a house for Engine Co. No. 27, located at No. 173 Franklin street, will be received as above, until 10 o'clock A. M., Wednesday, May 11, 1881, when they will be publicly opened and read.

No proposal will be received or considered after the hour named.

Plans and specifications

ASSESSMENT COMMISSION.

THE COMMISSIONERS APPOINTED BY CHAPTER 550 of the Laws of 1880, to revise, vacate, or modify assessments for local improvements in the City of New York, give notice to all persons affected thereby that the notices required by the said act must be filed with the Comptroller of said city and a duplicate thereof with the Counsel to the Corporation, as follows:

First. As to all assessments confirmed subsequent to June 9, 1880, for local improvements theretofore completed, and as to any assessment for local improvements known as Morningside avenues, notices must be filed within two months after the dates upon which such assessments may be respectively confirmed.

Second. In cases in which proceedings or actions have been commenced to vacate or set aside any assessment confirmed prior to June 9, 1880, or any assessment confirmed subsequent to June 9, 1880, for a local improvement theretofore completed, notices must be filed on or before May 1, 1881.

The notice must specify the particular assessment complained of, the date of the confirmation of the same, the property affected thereby, and in a brief and concise manner the objections thereto, showing, or tending to show, that the assessment was unfair or unjust in respect to said real estate.

Dated, No. 27 CHAMBERS STREET, March 24, 1881.

EDWARD COOPER,
JOHN KELLY,
ALLAN CAMPBELL,
GEORGE H. ANDREWS,
DANIEL LORD, JR.,
Commissioners under the Act.

JAMES J. MARTIN, Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
Room 6, No. 31 CHAMBERS STREET,
NEW YORK, May 9, 1881.

TO CONTRACTORS.

BIDS OR ESTIMATES, INCLOSED IN A SEALED envelope, with the title of the work and the name of the bidder indorsed thereon, also the number of the work as in the advertisement, will be received until Thursday, May 19, 1881, at 12 o'clock M., at which hour they will be publicly opened by the head of the Department and read, for the following:

- No. 1. SEWERS in First avenue, between Twenty-first and Twenty-fourth streets.
- No. 2. SEWER in Sixty-eighth street, between Eighth avenue and Boulevard.
- No. 3. SEWER in Seventy-eighth street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.
- No. 4. SEWER in Eighty-first street, between Ninth avenue and summit west of Ninth avenue.
- No. 5. SEWER in Eighty-second street, between Eighth and Tenth avenues.
- No. 6. SEWER in Eighty-fifth street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues.

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the National Banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. All such deposits, except those making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

Blank forms of bid or estimate, the specifications and agreements, and the proper envelopes in which to inclose the bids, and any further information desired, can be obtained at the office of the Engineer in charge of Sewers, Room 9, No. 31 Chambers street.

The Commissioner of Public Works reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, if, in his judgment, the same may be for the best interests of the city.

HUBERT O. THOMPSON,
Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
BUREAU OF WATER REGISTER,
31 CHAMBERS STREET, Room 2,
NEW YORK, May, 1881.

CROTON WATER RATES.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ANNUAL water rates for 1881 are now due and payable at this office.

Permits for the use of Croton water for washing sidewalks, stoops, areas, etc., must be renewed immediately.

HUBERT O. THOMPSON,
Commissioner of Public Works.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE,
Room No. 39, No. 300 MULBERRY STREET,
NEW YORK, May 5, 1881.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY Clerk of the Police Department, of the City of New York, 300 Mulberry street, Room No. 39, for the following property now in his custody without claimants: Trunks and contents, bag and contents, male and female clothing, boots and shoes, hats, carpets, blankets, revolvers, boats, junk, iron, tin, watches gold and silver, cloth, plated ware, tea, coffee, etc., also small amount of money found and taken from prisoners by patrolmen of this Department.

C. A. ST. JOHN,
Property Clerk.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the School Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, at the Hall of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, until Wednesday, the 18th day of May, 1881, and until 7 1/2 o'clock A. M., on said day, for repairing and painting Grammar School-house No. 15, on Fifth street, between Avenues C and D.

Plans and specifications may be seen, and blanks for proposals and all necessary information may be obtained at the office of the Superintendent of School Buildings, No. 146 Grand, corner of Elm street.

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

The party submitting a proposal, and the parties proposing to become sureties, must each write his name and place of residence on said proposal.

Two responsible and approved sureties, residents of this city, are required in all cases.

No proposal will be considered from persons whose character and antecedent dealings with the Board of Education render their responsibility doubtful.

JOHN C. LIMBECK,
WILLIAM A. G. AHAM,
ADOLPH STERN,
SAMUEL CREGAR, M. D.,
JOHN POWERS,
Board of School Trustees, Eleventh Ward.

Dated New York, May 4, 1881.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS OF the Board of Aldermen will meet every Monday at two o'clock P. M., at Room No. 8 City Hall.

BERNARD KENNEY,
JOSEPH P. STRACK,
HENRY C. PERLEY,
THOMAS SHELLS,
JAMES L. WELLS,
Committee on Public Works.

THE COLLEGE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

A STATED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF Trustees of the College of the City of New York, will be held at the Hall of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, on Tuesday, May 17, 1881, at 4 o'clock P. M.

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN,
Secretary.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

SALE OF THE RIGHT, TITLE, AND INTEREST OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK IN AND TO CERTAIN LANDS IN THE TWELFTH WARD.

ALL THE RIGHT, TITLE, AND INTEREST OF the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, in and to certain parcels of lands in the Twelfth Ward of said city, will be sold at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the office of the Comptroller on Wednesday, June 15, 1881, at 11 o'clock A. M., as follows, to wit:

First.—The lands formerly the bed of a creek running through all those twenty-eight lots of land situated in the City of New York, bounded and described as follows:

Commencing at a point on the southerly side of One Hundred and Second street, distant three hundred and ten feet easterly from the southeasterly corner of the Third avenue and One Hundred and Second street, and running thence easterly along said southerly side of One Hundred and Second street three hundred feet to the southwesterly corner of said One Hundred and Second street and the Second avenue; thence southerly along the westerly side of said Second avenue one hundred feet and eleven inches to the centre line of the block; thence westerly along said centre line of the block parallel with said One Hundred and Second street one hundred feet; thence southerly at right angles to said centre line of the block one hundred feet and eleven inches to the northerly side of One Hundred and First street; thence southerly, along said northerly side of One Hundred and First street, four hundred feet; thence northerly, at right angles to said northerly side of One Hundred and First street, one hundred feet and eleven inches to the centre line of the block; thence easterly, along said centre line of the block two hundred feet; and thence northerly, at right angles to said centre line of the block one hundred feet and eleven inches to the southerly side of One Hundred and Second street at the place of beginning.

Second.—The lands in the bed of Sherman's Creek, running through the block bounded by Post avenue on the northerly side, Academy street on the easterly side, Neagle avenue on the southerly side, and Dyckman street on the westerly side, situated in the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York.

Third.—All that certain plot, piece, or parcel of land situate, lying, and being in the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the southerly side of Ninety-seventh street, distant one hundred feet easterly from the corner formed by the intersection of the southerly side of Ninety-seventh street with the easterly side of Third avenue; running thence southerly and parallel with Third avenue one hundred feet and eleven inches to the centre line of the block between Ninety-sixth and Ninety-seventh streets; running thence easterly along said centre line two hundred and sixty feet; thence northerly and parallel with Third avenue one hundred feet and eleven inches to the southerly side of Ninety-seventh street; thence westerly and along said southerly side of Ninety-seventh street two hundred and sixty feet to the point of place of beginning.

Also all that certain other plot, piece, or parcel of land situate in said Twelfth Ward of said City of New York, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the southerly side of Ninety-seventh street, distant one hundred feet westerly from the corner formed by the intersection of the southerly side of Ninety-seventh street with the westerly side of Second avenue, running thence southerly and parallel with Second avenue one hundred feet eleven inches to the centre line of the block between Ninety-sixth and Ninety-seventh streets; thence westerly along said centre line fifty feet; thence northerly and parallel with Second avenue one hundred feet eleven inches to the southerly side of Ninety-seventh street; thence easterly and along said southerly side of Ninety-seventh street fifty feet to the point of place of beginning.

TERMS OF SALE.

The amount bid, and the auctioneer's fee, to be paid at the time of sale, and the expense attending the execution of the deeds also to be paid by the purchaser.

ALLAN CAMPBELL,
Comptroller.
CITY OF NEW YORK,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
May 9, 1881.

CITY OF NEW YORK,
FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
May 4th, 1881.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 4 OF CHAPTER 33 of the Laws of 1881, the Comptroller of the City of New York hereby gives public notice to property-owners that the following lists of assessments for local improvements in said city were confirmed by the "Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments" on the 28th day of April, 1881, and, on the same date, were entered in the Record of Titles of Assessments kept in the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes and Assessments, and of Water Rents," viz.:

- Avenue B sewer, between 77th and 82d streets.
- 2d avenue sewer, between 75th and 76th streets.
- Lexington avenue sewer, between 103d and 104th streets.
- 11th avenue sewer, west side, between 59th and 60th streets.
- 12th avenue sewer, between 131st and 133d streets.
- Laight street sewer, between Washington and West streets.
- Macdougal street sewer, between West 4th street and West Washington place.
- Jackson street sewer, between Grand and Madison streets.
- 68th street sewer, between 4th and Madison avenues, etc.
- 72d street sewer, between 1st and 2d avenues.
- 73d street sewer, between 8th and 10th avenues.
- 103d street sewer, between 3d and Lexington avenues.
- 104th street sewer, between 9th and 10th avenues.
- 104th street sewer, from 650 feet east of 10th avenue to 75 feet west of 9th avenue.
- 113th street sewer, between 10th avenue and summit east of 10th avenue.
- 113th street sewer, between Madison and 5th avenues, etc.
- 122d street sewer, between 6th avenue and summit west of Sixth avenue.
- 122d street sewer, between 7th avenue and summit east of 7th avenue.
- 127th street sewer, between 7th and 8th avenues.
- 129th street sewer, between 6th and 8th avenues.
- 130th street sewer, between 7th avenue and Summit west of 6th avenue.
- 5th avenue basin, west side, between 60th and 61st streets.
- 11th street basin, southwest corner Dry Dock street.

60th street basin, northeast corner 5th avenue.
93d street regulating, grading, etc., from 2d avenue to East river.

152d street regulating, grading, etc., from Boulevard to Hudson river.

Broadway regulating, grading, etc., from Manhattan street to 133d street.

38th street paving, from 9th to 10th avenue.

4th avenue paving, at intersection of 83d, 84th, 85th and 86th streets.

104th street paving, between 2d and 3d avenues.

13th avenue paving, between West 11th and West 16th streets.

70th street fencing vacant lots, south side, between 4th and Lexington avenues.

80th and 81st streets fencing vacant lots, between Madison and 5th avenues.

Madison avenue fencing vacant lots, southeast and southwest corners 127th street.

Section 5 of the said act provides that, "If any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said record of titles of assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment, to charge, collect, and receive legal interest thereon, at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated from the date of such entry to the date of payment."

The above assessments are payable to the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, at the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes and Assessments, and of Water Rents," from 9 A. M. until 2 P. M., and all payments made thereon, on or before July 5, 1881, will be exempt from interest as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum from the date of entry in the record of titles of assessments in said Bureau.

ALLAN CAMPBELL,
Comptroller.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, AND OF ARREARS OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, AND OF WATER RENTS, NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE, CITY HALL PARK, NEW YORK, April 25, 1881.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

PROPERTY-HOLDERS ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the following assessment list was received by the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, April 25, 1881, for collection:

CONFIRMED APRIL 14, 1881, AND ENTERED APRIL 25, 1881.
80th street opening, from 8th avenue to New road, and from 12th avenue to the Hudson river.

All payments made on the above assessment on or before June 24, 1881, will be exempt according to law from interest. After that date interest will be charged at the rate of seven per centum from the date of entry.

The above assessments are payable at the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes and Assessments, and of Water Rents," from 9 A. M. until 2 P. M.

A. S. CADY,
Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

RELATING TO THE PAYMENT OF UNPAID TAXES, ASSESSMENTS, AND CROTON WATER RENTS.

THE COMPTROLLER OF THE CITY OF NEW York hereby gives notice to owners of real and personal estate in this city, that all unpaid taxes, assessments, and Croton water rents may now be paid with interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum per annum, as provided by chapter 33 of the Laws of 1881, which is as follows:

CHAPTER 33.

AN ACT relative to the collection of taxes and assessments, and of arrears of taxes and assessments, and Croton water rents, in the City of New York.

(Passed March 16, 1881; three-fifths being present.)

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

Section 1. If any taxes of any year shall remain unpaid on the first day of November, after the assessment-rolls and the warrants to collect such taxes have been delivered to the Receiver of Taxes in the City of New York, it shall be the duty of said Receiver to give public notice, by advertisement for at least ten days in two of the daily newspapers, and in the CITY RECORD, printed and published in said city, respectively, that unless the same shall be paid to him at his office on or before the first day of December, in any such year, he will immediately thereafter proceed to collect such unpaid taxes, as provided in the following section of this act:

Section 2. If any such tax shall remain unpaid on the said first day of December, it shall be the duty of the said Receiver of Taxes in said city to charge, receive, and collect upon such tax so remaining unpaid on that day, in addition to the amount of such tax, one per centum on the amount thereof; and to charge, receive, and collect upon such tax so remaining unpaid on the first day of January, thereafter, interest upon the amount thereof at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated from the day on which said assessment-rolls and warrants shall have been delivered to the said Receiver of Taxes to the date of payment.

The same rate of interest shall be so charged and collected upon any tax levied in the year eighteen hundred and eighty, remaining unpaid at the date of the passage of this act.

Section 3. All existing provisions of law which impose a charge and require the collection of interest at the rate of twelve per centum per annum upon arrears of taxes on real and personal estate within the City of New York, upon arrears of assessments for local improvements and street openings in said city, and upon arrears of Croton water rents in said city, are hereby repealed; and in lieu of such charge of interest at the rate of twelve per centum per annum, there shall be charged and collected by the officer authorized to collect and receive any such arrears of taxes and assessments and Croton water rents, interest upon the amount thereof at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated for the same period as interest at the rate of twelve per centum per annum is now required by law to be calculated thereon. This provision shall apply to taxes, assessments, or Croton water rents remaining unpaid and due, for the non-payment of which the lands and tenements liable therefor shall be hereafter sold at public auction as now provided by law; provided, however, that nothing in this act shall be construed to affect the rights of purchasers at sales for taxes, assessments, or Croton water rents, heretofore made, or to authorize the redemption of lands and tenements from sales heretofore made for any lesser sums than the sums collectible for such redemption under the provisions of existing laws.

Section 4. It shall be the duty of the Comptroller of the City of New York to give public notice, by advertisement, for at least ten days, in the CITY RECORD, printed and published in said city, immediately after the confirmation of any assessment for a local improvement or street opening in said city, that the same has been confirmed specifying the title of such assessment and the date of its confirmation by the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments in proceedings for local improvements, and by the Supreme Court in proceedings for street openings, and also the date of entry in the record of titles of assessments kept in the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes and Assessments, and of Croton water rents, notifying all persons, owners of property affected by any such assessment, that, unless the amount assessed for benefit on any person or property shall be paid within sixty days after the date of said entry of any such assessment, interest shall thereafter be collected thereon as provided in the following section of this act, and all provisions of law or ordinance requiring any other or different notice of assessments and interest thereon are hereby repealed.

Section 5. If any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said record of titles of assessments, it shall be the

duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment, to charge, collect, and receive legal interest thereon, at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated from the date of such entry to the date of payment.

Section 6. This act shall take effect immediately.

ALLAN CAMPBELL,
Comptroller.
CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, March 18, 1881.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, AND OF ARREARS OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, AND OF WATER RENTS, NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE, CITY HALL PARK, NEW YORK, February 1, 1881.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

PROPERTY-HOLDERS ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the following assessment list was received by the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, January 29, 1881, for collection:

CONFIRMED JANUARY 25, 1881, AND ENTERED JANUARY 29, 1881, NAMELY:

153d street, opening, from the easterly line of the New Avenue lying between 8th and 9th avenues, to the Harlem river.

All payments made on the above assessment on or before March 30, 1881, will be exempt (according to law) from interest. After that date interest will be charged at the rate of seven (7) per centum from the date of entry.

The above assessments are payable at the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes and Assessments, and of Water Rents," from 9 A. M. until 2 P. M.

A. S. CADY,
Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears.

ORDER OF THE COMPTROLLER OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, CONSOLIDATING CERTAIN BUREAUX IN THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

SECTION 3 OF CHAPTER 521 OF THE LAWS of 1880, requires that heads of departments shall reduce the aggregate expenses of their respective departments by a reduction of salaries, and confers upon them authority to consolidate bureaux and offices for that purpose, as follows, to wit:

"In making the reduction herein required, every head of department may abolish and consolidate offices and bureaux, and discharge subordinates in the same department."

The Comptroller of the City of New York, in pursuance of the duty imposed and the authority thus conferred upon him, hereby orders and directs that the following Bureaux in the Finance Department shall be consolidated, the consolidation thereof to take effect on the first day of January, 1881, viz.:

First.—The Bureau or the Collection of Assessments, and "The Bureau for the Collection of Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents," shall be consolidated as one bureau, and on and after January 1, 1881, shall be known as "The Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and of Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents," and possess all the powers conferred and perform all the duties imposed by law and ordinance upon both said bureaux, and the officers thereof; the chief officer of which consolidated bureau shall be called "Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears."

Second.—The Bureau for the Collection of the Revenue accruing from rents, and interest on bonds and mortgages, revenue arising from the use or sale of property belonging to or managed by the city, and "The Bureau of Markets," shall be consolidated as one Bureau, and on and after January 1, 1881, shall be known as "The Bureau for the Collection of City Revenue and of Markets," and possess all the powers conferred and perform all the duties imposed by law and ordinance upon both said bureaux, and the officers thereof; the chief officer of which said consolidated Bureau shall be called "Collector of City Revenue and Superintendent of Markets."

CITY OF NEW YORK, FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, Dec. 31, 1880.
ALLAN CAMPBELL,
Comptroller.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT—COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, January 22, 1880.

NOTICE TO OWNERS OF REAL ESTATE IN THE TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH WARDS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

THE COMPTROLLER OF THE CITY OF NEW York hereby gives notice to owners of real estate in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, that pursuant to an act of the Legislature of the State of New York, entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment and payment of unpaid taxes due the county of Westchester by the towns of West Farms, Morrisania, and Kingsbridge, lately annexed to the city and county of New York," passed May 22, 1878, the unpaid taxes of said town have been adjusted and the amount determined as provided in said act, and that the accounts, including sales for taxes levied prior to the year 1874, by the Treasurer of the County of Westchester, and bid in on account of said towns, and also the unpaid taxes of the year 1873, known as Rejected Taxes, have been filed for collection in the Bureau of Arrears in the Finance Department of the City of New York.

Payments for the redemption of lands so sold for taxes by the Treasurer of the County of Westchester, and bid in on account of said towns, and payments also of said Rejected Taxes of the year 1873, must be made hereafter to the Clerk of Arrears of the City of New York.

N. B.—Interest at the rate of twelve per centum per annum is due and payable on the amount of said sales for taxes and said rejected taxes.

ALLAN CAMPBELL,
Comptroller.

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 1857, prepared under the direction of the Commissioners of Records.

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ALLAN CAMPBELL,
Comptroller.

THE CITY RECORD.

OFFICE OF THE CITY RECORD,
No. 2 CITY HALL.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE THE BUSINESS OF the CITY RECORD office will be transacted at Room No. 4, City Hall, northeast corner.

THOMAS COSTIGAN,
Supervisor