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BOARD OF EDUCATION.

STATED SESSION,
Wednesday, April 1, 1874.

The Board held a stated session on Wednesday, April 1, at the Hall, corner of Grand and Elm streets.

Present—Wm. H. Neilson, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Brown, Dowd, Farr, Halsted, Jenkins, Klamroth, Lewis, Man, Mathewson, Patterson, Seligman, Townsend, Traud, Vermilye, West and Wetmore—19.
Absent—Commissioners Hoe and Kelly—2.

Reports from Trustees.

The President laid before the Board sundry applications from Trustees of the wards, asking to excuse absence of teachers. Which were referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Also, from the Twelfth ward, for permission to enlarge Primary School Building No. 19, and to regulate salaries of janitors. Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

Also, from the Seventeenth ward, asking for the purchase of three lots adjoining P. S. No. 9. Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

Also, from the Nineteenth ward, asking authority to lease lots near First avenue and Sixtieth street, for school purposes. Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

Also, from the Twentieth ward, asking permission to admit boys to the Primary Department of G. S. No. 48. Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From the Trustees of the Third Ward, for authority to advertise for proposals for furnishing and fitting up premises No. 67 Warren street, for a Primary School. Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

From the Trustees of the Fifth ward, adverse to purchasing property adjoining G. S. No. 44. Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth ward, asking for the restoration of corporal punishment in the schools. Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth ward, nominating Miss Mary J. Price for Principal of P. D. G. S. No. 19. Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Trustees of the Seventeenth ward, relative to German trustees. Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second ward for authority to advertise for proposals for furniture in G. S. No. 51. Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Twenty-second ward, for authority to advertise for proposals for heating apparatus for G. S. No. 51. Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

Miscellaneous Communications.

The President laid before the Board the following communications:

From Commissioner Eugene Kelly, asking to be excused on account of absence from the city. Granted.

From teachers of special subjects, asking to have the same privileges in regard to absences, &c., as are allowed to other teachers. Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From Mrs. E. A. Glenn, relative to the lease of premises Nos. 194 and 196 Seventh street. Referred to the Finance Committee.

From pupils of G. S. No. 35, asking for permission to hold exhibition in same hall of other than the school building. Permission granted.

Resolutions.

Commissioner Farr offered the following: Whereas, The lease of the Model Primary School in St. Mark's Place will expire May 1, 1874, and whereas, the said school has, by a resolution of this Board, been transferred to the jurisdiction of the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward; therefore,

Resolved, That from and after May 1st, next, the Primary School now located in St. Mark's Place, Seventeenth Ward, be known and designated as Primary School No. 23.

Adopted.

Commissioner Baker offered the following: Whereas, The Common Schools of this city were established for the purpose of giving an elementary education to the children of the masses without regard to race or creed, thereby fostering the growth of good citizenship; and,

Whereas, Studies not essential to accomplish this purpose have been added to the course of

instruction pursued in our Public School, and thus largely increasing the expense necessary to carry on the Common School system in this city; therefore,

Resolved, That the Committee on Salaries and Economy be, and they are hereby authorized and directed to so modify the course of instruction now pursued in the Public Schools as to exclude all branches of studies not strictly embraced in what is known as an elementary education; and that instruction in languages be confined exclusively to the knowledge of English, so as to Americanize our free schools, and remove the national prejudices and the growing expenses which the study of foreign languages creates.

The resolution being objected to, was laid over to the sixth order of business.

Commissioner Baker offered the following:

Resolved, That the annexed schedule for advertising, &c., in compliance with the resolutions found on the Journal, page 87, passed by this Board, January 21st last, be entered on and printed with the minutes in full for the future consideration and reference of this body.

BOARD OF EDUCATION,
NEW YORK, 1874.

Warming and Ventilation.

Sealed proposals will be received by the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, at the Hall of the Board, corner of Grand and Elm streets, until day of 1874, and until four o'clock P. M. of that day, for Ventilating Public School Buildings now erected, and also for Warming and Ventilating such as may hereafter be erected. Information in regard to premiums to be awarded, and the conditions under which proposals will be received, will be furnished at the office of the Engineer of the Board, 146 Grand street, third floor.

Conditions.

All parties competing for the premiums for the best method of Ventilating any of the Public School Buildings now erected must furnish diagrams in plan and section of the buildings proposed (selected by themselves), which must be four stories in height, not less than one hundred feet front; also, the proposed attachments, &c., plainly shown in form and figured dimensions; also, a full description of the work and materials required to put all in complete working operation, and the estimated cost thereof; also, the anticipated result, in cubic feet, of fresh air introduced, and foul air expelled per hour, for every one thousand cubic feet of space in the occupied parts of the building; also, the cost or quantity of fuel or gas, if any, required per day of six hours, for operating the apparatus; also, the additional cost or quantity of fuel, if any, that may be rendered necessary, by the continued change of air, in the rooms ventilated. The above to apply to all buildings.

Proposed methods for buildings to be erected must include the drawings, description, cost, &c., for both Warming and Ventilation.

If but one method is proposed by parties, under either the 1st, 2d, 3d and 4th division, and the same be approved, it shall not be considered as both best and second best.

All propositions deemed impracticable by the Committee will not be entitled to either of the premiums.

Parties proposing to use patented articles must give a description of the same and the price thereof, also the charge for the use thereof, for each school building.

All written or printed propositions, drawings and descriptions submitted and approved by the Committee, and paid for as hereinafter named, shall become the property of the Board of Education, who shall possess the right to publish and distribute the same, in the usual manner of publishing and distributing the proceedings, &c., of the Board, but not for purposes of sale or pecuniary profit.

Rejected proposals will be returned in manner designated by owners thereof.

Decisions will be given in ninety days from date of advertisement.

The following premiums will be awarded:

1st. For the best method of Warming and Ventilating Public School Buildings to be erected.....\$300 00

2d. For the best method of Ventilating Public School Buildings now erected and warmed by stoves.....200 00

3d. For the best method of Ventilating Public School Buildings now erected and warmed by hot air furnaces.....200 00

4th. For the best method of Ventilating Public School Buildings now erected and warmed by steam.....200 00

5th. For the second best method of each of the above, each.....100 00

6th. For others, having, in the estimation of the Committee, special merit, each.....50 00

The President put the question whether the Board would adopt the resolution offered by Commissioner Baker, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Commissioner West offered the following:

Whereas, It has come to the knowledge of this Board that the bodies interred in the burying ground of the Society of Friends, in Houston street, are being removed for interment elsewhere; and

Whereas, The remains of Joseph Lancaster, the eminent friend of popular education, and the

founder of the system known by his name, have been removed from their resting place; and

Whereas, The George T. Trimble Association, of Grammar School No. 7, has taken charge of the remains to await such further action as may be deemed proper; therefore,

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books of this Board, to co-operate with the Joseph Lancaster Memorial Committee of said Association, in making arrangements for an appropriate testimonial, but said Committee shall not have power to incur any liability in behalf of the Board.

Resolved, That said Memorial Committee be allowed the use of one of the committee rooms in the Hall of the Board for their meetings, when they may deem expedient.

The President put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Reports of Standing Committees.

Commissioner Wetmore presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, recommending that the Trustees of the Twenty-second ward be authorized to advertise for proposals for additional furniture for G. S. No. 51 in said ward. Adopted.

Commissioner Wetmore presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, recommending an appropriation of \$150 for additional seats for G. S. No. 19. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner Farr presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, asking to excuse the absence of Miss Martha L. Doake during the month of March. Adopted.

Commissioner Farr presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, relative to organizing a Grammar and Primary Department in the Model School, and submitting the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Normal Schools be and they hereby are authorized to organize the New Model School, with two departments, one of Grammar grade for female pupils; and one of a Primary grade for male and female pupils; but that only one Principal shall be employed to superintend both departments.

Laid on the table, and made special order after the third order of business at the next meeting.

Commissioner Mathewson presented a report from the Committee on Evening Schools, recommending the payment of Miss Mary O'Brien and Miss M. W. Swartz for services in Evening Schools. Adopted.

Commissioner Jenkins presented a report from the Committee on Colored Schools, recommending the discontinuance of the Saturday Colored Normal School. Adopted.

Commissioner West presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills for incidental expenses of repairs, painting, postages, &c., of the Board. Adopted.

Commissioner Dowd presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, recommending the erection of a new building for Primary School No. 40 in West Fifty-fourth street, and recommending that the Trustees of the Twenty-second ward be authorized to advertise for proposals for erecting said building. Adopted.

Commissioner Baker presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, recommending that the Trustees of the Twenty-second ward be authorized to advertise for proposals for enlarging the heating apparatus in G. S. No. 51. Adopted.

Commissioner Vermilye presented a report from the Committee on Salaries and Economy, recommending that action in regard to discontinuing Primary School No. 2, in the Sixth ward, and Primary School No. 18, in the Ninth ward, be suspended for the present, and accompanied with a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Primary School No. 38, located at No. 117 Corlears street, in the First ward, be and the same is hereby discontinued, on and after the 3d day of April next, and that the furniture and other property therein be taken in charge by the Superintendent of Buildings, for such use as this Board may hereafter direct.

Resolved, That the female department of Grammar School No. 5 be and the same is hereby discontinued, on and after the first day of September next, and that the pupils therein be transferred to the female department of Grammar School No. 21.

Adopted.

Commissioner Townsend presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, in regard to disreputable houses and their occupants in the Eighth ward, as follows:

To the Board of Education:

The Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred a communication from citizens and tax-payers of the Eighth Ward, urging action against the proprietors and occupants of disreputable houses in that Ward, on the ground that such houses have a tendency to annoy and demoralize the pupils of the public schools of the Ward, respectfully

REPORT:

That your Committee have had several meetings, and have had the parties making the complaint and other citizens before them, and have examined a number of witnesses, under oath, upon the subject complained of, and your Committee are satisfied that a number of houses of the description complained of exist in the vicinity of the schools of the Eighth Ward, and are of such character as to call for the earnest remonstrance of citizens interested in the schools, and for the prompt action of the proper public authorities with a view to their suppression.

A principal witness before your Committee was Police Captain Alexander S. Williams, of the Eighth Precinct, whose conduct before your Committee seems to call for distinct notice and censure.

Your Committee caused application to be made to the Board of Police, requesting the attendance of the Captain of the precinct, with a list of the obnoxious houses and names of owners and occupants, as had been obtained in the case of the Fifteenth Ward, and Captain Williams attended in compliance with the following communications received from the Board of Police:

CHIEF CLERK'S OFFICE,
POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
300 MULBERRY STREET, March 17, 1874.

To the Honorable Board of Education:
GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the Board of Police, held this day, it was—

Resolved, That Captain Alexander S. Williams and Captain Thomas Byrnes be directed to attend a meeting of the Committee on By-Laws of the Board of Education upon notice being received by the President when such meeting will be held.

Very respectfully, yours,

S. C. HAWLEY,
Chief Clerk.

CHIEF CLERK'S OFFICE,
POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
300 MULBERRY STREET, March 18, 1874.

SIR—I am instructed by the President of the Board of Police to inform you that he has instructed Captain Williams, of the Eighth Precinct, to attend before your Committee on By-Laws, at four P. M. to-morrow, to furnish all the desired information.

Please so advise the Committee.

Very respectfully, yours,

S. C. HAWLEY,
Chief Clerk.

To L. D. Kiernan, Clerk, &c.

Notwithstanding these communications from the Police Department, Captain Williams, while testifying before your Committee, refused, in a rude defiant manner, to furnish the Committee with the desired information. He stated that there was a large number of houses of the character complained of in his precinct, embracing the Eighth Ward, and he named the streets in which they were principally situated, including several streets near or leading to the school-houses of the Ward, and he further stated that he had with him then and there a list of the houses of that character situated in his precinct, including the street numbers and the names of the owners and occupants; but upon being asked by the Chairman of the Committee if he would produce the list or furnish it to the Committee, he replied, rudely and abruptly, "I will not;" and when asked his reasons for refusing to give the information to the Committee, he replied, in like offensive manner, "For reasons best known to myself." He was informed that the Committee desired the information, and it was their duty to obtain it for protection of the schools; and he was treated with entire courtesy and without excitement on the part of the Committee; but, in the opinion of your Committee, he conducted himself during the examination in a manner wholly unworthy of an officer in his position, whose duty it was, not only to give the information, when desired for proper purposes, but to do all in his power to aid in suppressing the haunts of vice complained of before your Board.

Your Committee are well aware that the Board of Education has no power in itself to punish offenders against the law for keeping disreputable houses or renting their property for such purposes; nevertheless, they claim that the Board has the right, and is charged with an imperative duty to make all proper inquiry when citizens complain that their children or wards are subjected to improper or immoral influences from houses of prostitution, no less than from other nuisances in proximity to the schools, and that the information desired from the witness Williams was necessary and proper in order that the offences, with the names of the parties thus offending against the morals of children and youth attending the schools, might be formally brought to the knowledge of the District Attorney and Grand Jury, with a view to prosecution of the persons and suppression of the vile places complained of. Your Committee would further state that they did learn from the testimony of Captain Williams that the District Attorney had been furnished with a list of the houses of infamous character now in question, and with the names of the owners and occupants, and your Committee, in conclusion, and acting upon this information, offer the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, It is established to the satisfaction of this Board that a number of disreputable and disorderly houses exist in the vicinity of the schools in the Eighth ward, having a tendency to demoralize the scholars and seriously impair the usefulness of the schools; and it also appears that a list containing the street numbers of such houses, with the names of the owners and occupants, has been furnished to the District Attorney; therefore,

Resolved, That that officer be, and he is hereby urgently requested to cause to be indicted and punished all owners and occupants who are liable to indictment, of such disreputable houses, situated in the vicinity of the schools of the Eighth ward, or where the children attending those schools may be exposed to their pernicious influences.

Respectfully submitted.

R. W. TOWNSEND,
HENRY P. WEST,
ALBION P. MAN,
JAMES W. FARR,

Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

The President put the question whether the Board would adopt said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Commissioner Halstead, Ordered, That said report be printed in full in the minutes.

Commissioner Beardslee presented a report from the Committee on Supplies, relative to District School Library in the Twenty-third Ward, asking that the Committee be discharged, and that said matter be referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections, and Qualifications.

Adopted.

Commissioner Patterson presented a report from the Committee on Sites and New Schools, recommending the purchase of lots on 157th street, between Washington and Courtland avenues, in the Twenty-third Ward, for a site for a new Primary School.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner Halsted presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, adverse to the payment of certain alleged deficiencies in salaries of teachers in the Twenty-third Ward.

Adopted.

Commissioner Halsted presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, recommending the appointment of Miss Catharine M. Fitzgibbon for Principal of P. D. G. S. No. 1, in the Fourth Ward.

Adopted.

Commissioner Halsted presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, recommending the appointment of Miss Susan S. Edney for Principal of Primary School in 124th street, Twelfth Ward.

Adopted.

Finance.

Commissioner Vermilye presented a report from the Finance Committee, recommending the transfer of \$21,500 from the unexpended balance of 1873, to the Normal College amount for erecting.

Adopted.

Also, recommending the payment of Miss Rosalie Carr and Mrs. Bridget Dalton, \$50 each for services as janitors in Primary School of Twenty-third Ward.

Adopted.

Also, to authorize the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward to hire premises No. 17 St. Mark's Place, for a Primary School, at a rent of \$2,000 a year.

Adopted.

Also, to appropriate two thousand dollars for scientific apparatus for the Normal College.

Adopted.

Commissioner Vermilye also presented the following report:

To the Board of Education:

The Finance Committee, referring to the report submitted by them on the 18th ultimo, and now on the table of the Board, of the sums to be distributed by apportionment to the Corporation Schools, respectfully report:

That the aggregate amount which these schools are entitled to receive, is one hundred thousand two hundred and eight dollars and eighty-five cents (\$100,208.85), or two hundred and eight dollars and eighty-five cents in excess of the amount inserted in the estimate made by this Board for the Board of Apportionment, and appropriated by both Boards from the School Fund.

It is therefore necessary that an additional appropriation to meet the excess named should be made, and your Committee submit herewith a resolution appropriating this amount, the Board having the "financial ability" to make an appropriation of the aggregate sum reported on the 18th of March.

Resolved, That the sum of two hundred and eight dollars and eighty-five cents (\$208.85) additional to the appropriation already made be and the same is hereby appropriated for the apportionment to the Corporation Schools; said appropriation being required to confirm bills the apportionment for the year 1874, as made by this Board, in accordance with the provisions of the Act of 1851.

J. D. VERMILYE,
WM. DOWD,
R. G. BEARDSLEE,
R. W. TOWNSEND,
Finance Committee.

The report was adopted.

Commissioner Vermilye presented reports from the Finance Committee to appropriate \$1,050 for pianos for several schools; to pay bills for repairs, cleaning, expressage, &c. All of which were adopted.

Motions and Resolutions.

The resolution of Mr. Baker, relative to the study of foreign languages, laid over under the rules, was considered and laid on the table.

Commissioner Baker then offered the following:

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Salaries and Economy to consider and report upon the expediency of teaching foreign languages, and studies not elementary, in the schools under the jurisdiction of this Board.

Adopted.

On motion of Commissioner Wetmore, the Report of the Committee on Music, in the Boston schools, was referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,
Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

April 1. -M. T. Copp, clerk, was removed.
A. STORER, Sec.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF NEW YORK,
Wednesday, April 1, 1874.

The Board of Commissioners met as above.
Present—President Joseph L. Perley, in the chair, Commissioners Roswell D. Hatch and Cornelius Van Cott.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Communications

were received and disposed of as follows:

From—
Assistant Fire Marshal, enclosing sworn statement relative to conduct of George McGrath. Filed.

Inspector of Combustibles, returning notice of unsafe condition of 25th street tower, with report and recommendation to have it repaired. Filed.
Same, report of operations for the week ending March 28, 1874. Filed.

Superintendent of Supplies, estimate for supplies required.—Referred back with directions to purchase.

Chief of Battalion in charge of Repair Shops, relative to trial of hose.—Filed.

Same, reports suspension from pay and duty of Thomas Lewis, laborer, for gross misconduct.—Filed, action approved and dismissal ordered.

Foreman Eng. 34, reports twenty-eight barrels kerosene oil on sidewalk No. 506 W. 33d street.—Referred to Inspector of Combustibles.

Assistant Foreman William Hudson, Eng. 13, applies for promotion.—Referred to the Examining Board.

Fireman John Fogarty, H. and L. 1, requests transfer.—Filed.

Hoseman John B. Livingston, Chem. Eng. 3, applying for promotion.—Filed.

His Honor the Mayor requests report of operations and actions for quarter ending March 31, 1874.—Filed and compliance directed.

Secretary Department Public Charities and Correction, communication relative to necessity for gong in Reception Hospital, 99th street and Centre street, Hospital.—Referred to the Supt. of Telegraph with directions to place gongs as within indicated.

Charles Dion, Esq., submitting new belt for examination, &c.—Filed.

Reports of Examining Board were received and disposed of as follows:

On application for promotion of Assistant Foreman Daniel Bradley, Eng. 6.—Filed.

Communications laid over at previous meetings were taken up and disposed of as follows:

From Asst. Counsel to Corporation, relative to 25th street bell tower.—Filed, with directions to Inspector of Combustibles to have tower taken down and remove the bell and striking apparatus to the Morrisania Tower.

Reduced to the rank of fireman—on the recommendation of the Committee on Discipline:

Assistant Foreman John Doherty, H. and L. Co. No. 1, and assigned to Eng. Co. No. 6.—2d instant.

Dismissed.

Laborer Thomas Lewis, 1st instant.

Discharged.

To take effect on the 4th instant.

Climbers Martin Spillane.
" John Goodman.
" Peter Grosjean.
" John S. Cunningham.
" John Devine.
" Cornelius Kendall.
" Joseph Pelletier.
" Henry Trenaman.
" Peter Dooregan.
" Bernard W. Brady.

Promotions.

Fireman James Hunter, H. & L. 8, to assistant foreman H. & L. 1, 5th inst.

Appointments.

James Coleman, as laborer, at \$2.50 per day, 2d inst.

John Troy, as laborer, at \$3 per day, 3d inst.

William J. Moore, as laborer, \$2.58 per day, 7th inst.

Andrew Pritchard, as machinist, \$3.50 per day, 8th inst.

Fines

were imposed on the recommendation of the Committee on Discipline, as follows:

Fireman Henry Campbell, H. & L. 12, 3 days pay.

Fireman Joseph Saunders, H. & L. 1, 10 days pay.

Transfers

were ordered to take effect on the 5th inst.:

Fireman Wm. H. Guy, H. & L. 1, to H. & L. 6.

Fireman Thomas E. Schiel, H. & L. 6 to Eng. 25.

Fireman Thomas Fannon, Eng. 25, to H. & L. 6.

Fireman Joseph Saunders, H. & L. 1, to Eng. 10.

Bills Audited

and ordered to be sent to the Comptroller for payment for the current year:

The Babcock Manufacturing Co., apparatus.....\$168 00
Blair & Ferrier, buildings.....288 44
H. T. Ward & Co., buildings.....1 75
Composite Iron Works Co., buildings.....28 80
Geo. H. Kitchen & Co., buildings.....79 45
The National Stove Works general supplies.....1 80
Thomas Kirkpatrick, ".....25 25
Howard Watch & Clock Co., ".....400 00
John J. Bloomfield, ".....10 30
Otto Breyer, horses.....43 20
R. J. Wright, horse feed and straw.....549 47
John Ittner, rents.....10 00
N. Y. Steam Gauge Co., machine shop.....2 65
Hathorn & Co., telegraph supplies.....6 50
Andrew Gerity, horse-shoeing.....15 00
John McAvoy, ".....12 00
John F. Dunn, ".....6 00

Thomas Gallon, ".....25 00
Morrison & Sullivan, ".....22 50
George Garlan, ".....9 00
Kirk & Laidlaw, ".....24 00
Owen Fallon, ".....39 00
F. Mallon, ".....6 00
T. Torpy, ".....6 00
Hathorn & Co., ".....21 00
Thomas Fox, ".....5 00
P. Murray, ".....5 00
Lattimore & Dougherty, ".....24 00
Joseph O'Neill, ".....24 00
William Waters, ".....45 00
John A. Hassler, ".....9 00
Robert Moffit, ".....54 00
W. & J. Sloane, general supplies.....60 54
Peter Geeks, buildings.....30 00
Moses Swett, apparatus.....66 00
Wm. B. White, contingencies.....56 86

FOR THE YEAR 1872.

The N. Y. Gaslight Co., coal and wood.....\$50 00

Adjourned.

W. B. WHITE,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS

New York, April 6, 1874.

The following comprises the operations of the Department of Buildings for the week ending April 4, 1874:

W. W. ADAMS,
Superintendent of Buildings.

BUREAU OF CONSTRUCTION AND ALTERATION OF BUILDINGS.

Plans, Specifications and Special Applications, filed, examined and passed upon.

NEW BUILDINGS.

No. of Plans and Specifications filed and examined... 35
No. of Buildings embraced in same..... 53

CLASSIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

First class Dwellings..... 12
Second class Dwellings..... 3
French Flats..... 2
Tenements..... 23
Second class stores..... 6
Manufactories and Workshops..... 5
Stables..... 5
*Frame Dwellings..... 1

Total..... 53

*In Westchester districts.

Plans &c., approved, including those previously filed..... 26
" amended and approved..... 5
" disapproved..... 3
" pending..... 7

Total..... 41

ALTERED BUILDINGS.

No. of Plans and Specifications filed and examined... 58
" Buildings embraced in same..... 63

CLASSIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

First class Dwellings..... 5
Second class Dwellings..... 14
French Flats..... 2
Tenements..... 18
Hotels and Boarding Houses..... 1
First class Stores..... 1
Second class Stores..... 2
Third class stores..... 2
Manufactories and Workshops..... 5
Churches..... 1
Stables..... 1
Frame Dwellings..... 12

Total..... 63

BUILDINGS EXAMINED AND PLANS RELATING THERETO PASSED UPON INCLUDING THOSE PREVIOUSLY FILED.

Approved..... 43
Amended and approved..... 4
Disapproved..... 3
Pending..... 19

Total..... 69

SPECIAL APPLICATIONS.

Number filed examined and passed upon..... 47
Approved..... 20
Disapproved..... 4
No. pending..... 23

Total..... 47

Building operations during the month of March, as reported by the District Inspectors:

New Buildings commenced..... 93
New Buildings completed, including those previously commenced..... 99
Alterations to Buildings, commenced..... 162
Alterations to Buildings completed, including those previously commenced..... 98
New Buildings in progress, including those previously commenced..... 664
Alterations in progress, including those previously commenced..... 181

ROBERT MCGINNIS,
Chief of Bureau.

BUREAU OF VIOLATIONS, UNSAFE BUILDINGS AND COMPLAINTS.

Abstract of operations for the week ending April 4, 1874:

Complaints received from outside sources..... 19
Violations of the law reported..... 15
Violations of the law removed..... 12
Unsafe buildings reported..... 26
Unsafe buildings made safe..... 19
Unsafe buildings taken down..... 1
Surveys held on unsafe buildings..... 1
Violation cases sent to Attorney for prosecution..... 2
Unsafe building cases sent to Attorney for prosecution..... 1
Violation notices served..... 27
Unsafe building notices served..... 43
Buildings surveyed as to general condition..... 636

The classification of the unsafe buildings reported are as follows:

Unsafe walls..... 15
" chimneys..... 7
" generally..... 2
" bell-tower..... 1
" piazza..... 1

Total..... 26

Operations during the month of March, 1874:

Unsafe Buildings reported..... 146
Unsafe Buildings made safe..... 142
Unsafe Buildings taken down..... 6
Violations of the law reported..... 44
Violations of the law removed..... 38
Surveys held on unsafe buildings..... 1
Complaints received from outside sources..... 65
Violation notices served..... 73
Unsafe Building notices served..... 287

Violation cases sent to Attorney for prosecution..... 7
Unsafe building cases sent to Attorney for prosecution..... 1
Buildings surveyed as to general condition..... 3066

ANDREW OWENS,
Chief of Bureau.

BUREAU OF IRON WORK.

Abstract of operations for the week ending April 4, 1874:

Buildings reported for fire-escapes..... 83
Fire-escapes provided..... 144
Arch girders tested (11 approved and 4 not)..... 15
Iron beams tested (all approved)..... 19
Iron lintels tested (all approved)..... 2

Notices for Fire Escapes served..... 36
Cases sent to Attorney for prosecution..... 134

Operations during the month of March, 1874:

Buildings reported for fire escapes..... 130
Fire escapes provided..... 192
Arch girders tested (20 approved, 5 not)..... 25
Iron beams tested (all approved)..... 36
Iron lintels tested (all approved)..... 6

Notice for fire escapes served..... 67
Cases sent to the Attorney for prosecution..... 272

THOMAS S. GAYTON,
Chief of Bureau.

BUREAU OF THEATRES, HOTELS, SCHOOL-HOUSES, CHURCHES, FACTORIES AND SPECIAL SURVEYS.

Abstract of operations during the week ending April 4, 1874:

THEATRES.

The following named theatres, halls and places of amusement have been officially visited, to wit:

The Lyceum, Wallack's, Union Square, Olympic, Booth's, Daly's Fifth Avenue, Grand Opera House, Theatre Comique, Metropolitan, Stadt, Bowery, Steinway Hall, Academy of Music, and the Tivoli, no infractions of the Building Law noted in either.

HOTELS.

17 hotels, boarding and lodging houses have been carefully inspected, as follows, viz.:

The Northern Hotel, Grosvenor House, Currier's dining and lodging house, Haight House, Washington Hotel, Stuyvesant House, Alleghany House, European House, Central Park Hotel, Pickwick House, Garvey House, Fifth Avenue Hotel, Handsfield Hotel, Campbell House, Pike's Hotel, Groot's Hotel and the Broome st. Hotel; and where the means and appliances for safety and protection against fire were reported to be insufficient, the owners and parties in interest have been notified and required to provide such additional safeguards as had been recommended by the inspectors charged with the duty of such examinations.

FACTORIES.

44 factories and buildings used for manufacturing purposes have also been thoroughly inspected as the means and appliances therein severally provided for the egress or escape of their employes and operatives in the event of fire, and where reported as insufficiently provided for in this respect, the owners or parties in interest have been notified and required to at once provide additional safeguards.

Special examinations have been made of 41 buildings heretofore provided with fire escapes, as to the condition of such escapes, their being kept in repair, free from obstructions, and available for use in the event of fire.

Reinspections have been made of 37 factories and buildings used for manufacturing purposes, and also of seven hotels and lodging houses.

13 hotel and factory cases have been retired, in which the owners and parties in interest are reported as having complied with the requirements of the law, and in 18 cases in which the owners or parties in interest have neglected or failed to provide the necessary safeguards, in accordance with the recommendations of the Department, second notices have been served upon the parties in interest.

CHAS. K. HYDE,

Chief of Bureau.

BILL INCURRED.

March 1874—I. Winterbottom & Co., \$30.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

From the proceedings of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, April 6, 1874:

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Assistant Alderman Thornell—
Whereas, The popular demand for rapid transit in the city of New York has become so universal and emphatic as to lay a burden of responsibility upon the people's representatives here and at Albany, which can no longer be ignored nor evaded; and

Whereas, This demand of our citizens for improved facilities for locomotion within the city limits is based upon their imperative necessities, and seeks to remove disabilities and inconveniences which are yearly diminishing our resources, both of wealth and population; and

Whereas, The existing condition of things bears heavily upon every class of our citizens, daily robbing each citizen of an amount of time which, in the aggregate, reaches many millions of dollars annually, and robbing this municipality of increased revenues in failing to develop improvements which would largely increase in value its taxable property; and

Whereas, We believe the progress of our city and comfort of our people demand prompt and decisive action on this vitally important subject; therefore

Resolved, That in the opinion of the members of the Board of Assistant Aldermen of the City of New York, what is known as the Eastman Rapid Transit bill, now before the Legislature, presents the only practicable solution of

this question, placing, as it does, the whole subject into the hands of commissioners to be appointed by the Governor; therefore, we, the members of the said Board, hereby earnestly request that the Legislature will immediately pass the said Eastman Rapid Transit bill.

Resolved, That the Clerk be instructed to forward forthwith copies of this preamble and these resolutions to the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, the Speaker of the Assembly, and the representatives of this city in the State Legislature, with the request that the same may be presented to the Senate and Assembly.

Assistant Alderman Murphy moved to refer to the Special Committee when appointed.

Which was carried by the following vote:
Affirmative—Assistant Alderman, Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Healy, Theiss, the President, Keenan, Kehoe, Brucks, Cumisky, Sommers, Beyea—13.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Wisser, Thornell, Codington, Kreps, Wade, Simonson, Linden—7.

By Assistant Alderman Thornell—

Whereas, There are now before the Legislature of this State numerous bills for surface street Railroads in the City of New York, and

Whereas, the right to the control of the streets, within the corporate limits of the city properly belongs to and lodge in the municipal government, having been guaranteed by State Constitution and also delegated thereto by the Charter, passed April 30, 1873, and

Whereas, there can be no question, but that every grant of the uses of our streets, made to companies or individuals for railroad or other purposes, should be contingent upon receiving the approval of the Municipal authorities, and should pass under their supervision, and

Whereas, this interposition of the State in legislating for the supposed wants and requirements of the city without consultation with either its people or their direct representatives in the Common Council, and in proposing to grant valuable franchises without proper compensation to the city, is a system of legislation, dangerous to the people, and directly in conflict with the principles which underlie a republican form of government, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of this State be and is hereby respectfully, yet earnestly requested not to pass any bill granting the use of any of the streets of this City to corporations or individuals for railroad or any other purposes, unless such bill contains a clause providing that the consent of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality shall be first had and obtained, and that such franchises shall be regulated in such manner as the Common Council may ordain, and further be it

Resolved, That a due regard for the rights and interests of the tax-payers, require that in granting franchises for street railroads in this City, the Legislature should require that the parties receiving the same, pay to the City at least five per cent on the gross receipts as a compensation for the use of the streets.

Resolved, That the clerk of the Common Council be and he is hereby directed to cause a copy of this paper to be forwarded to his Excellency the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the Assembly and to each member of the Legislature.

Assistant Alderman Kehoe moved to refer to the Special Committee when appointed.

Which was lost by the following vote:
Affirmative—Assistant Alderman Healy, the President, Keenan, Kehoe, Cumisky—5.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Kreps, Wade, Brucks, Simonson, Linden, Sommers, Beyea—15.

Assistant Alderman Simonson moved to refer to the Committee on Railroads.

Which was lost by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Healy, Keenan, Kehoe, Simonson, Cumisky—5.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Wade, Brucks, Linden, Sommers, Beyea—15.

And the Resolutions was adopted.

THE CITY RECORD.

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ABM. DISBECKER,

Supervisor.

DIRECTORY OF THE COMMON COUNCIL.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

- Samuel B. H. Vance, 206 West 23d street.
- Oliver P. C. Billings, 143 East 34th street.
- Jenkins Van Schaick, 1 University place.
- Stephen V. R. Cooper, 218 West 51st street.
- John Falconer, 305 East 15th street.
- George Koch, 638 Lexington avenue.
- Peter Kehr, 50 Seventh avenue.
- Robert McCafferty, 838 Lexington avenue.
- Oswald Ottendorfer, 7 East 17th street.
- Edward Gilon, 157 Hudson street.
- Patrick Lysaght, 27 City Hall place.
- Richard Flanagan, 312 West 22d street.
- John Reilly, 314 East 14th street.
- John J. Morris, 117 West 21st street.
- Joseph A. Monheimer, 233 East 31st street.

SAUEL B. H. VANCE, President.
JOSEPH C. PINCKNEY, Clerk, 27 Stuyvesant street.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

ARTS AND SCIENCES, INCLUDING PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.—Aldermen Billings, Monheimer, Reilly.
FERRIES.—Aldermen Falconer, Cooper, Lysaght.
FINANCE.—Aldermen Van Schaick, Gilon, Kehr, Ottendorfer.
LANDS AND PLACES.—Aldermen McCafferty, Koch, Gilon.
LAW DEPARTMENT.—Aldermen Cooper, Billings, Flanagan.

MARKETS.—Aldermen Morris, Kehr, Lysaght.
PRINTING AND ADVERTISING.—Aldermen Kehr, Ottendorfer, Falconer.
PUBLIC WORKS.—Aldermen Koch, Morris, Gilon.
RAILROADS.—Aldermen Billings, Van Schaick, Ottendorfer.
REPAIRS AND SUPPLIES.—Aldermen Kehr, Cooper, Flanagan.
ROADS.—Aldermen Cooper, Gilon, Reilly.
SALARIES AND OFFICES.—Aldermen Ottendorfer, Koch, McCafferty.
STREETS.—Aldermen Monheimer, Billings, McCafferty.
STREET PAVEMENTS.—Aldermen Falconer, Monheimer, Van Schaick.

BOARD ASSISTANT ALDERMEN.

- Thomas Foley, 18 West street.
- Jeremiah Murphy, 45 Cherry street.
- Charles M. Clancy, 191 Mott street.
- John C. Keating, 333 Cherry street.
- Henry Wisser, 155 Prince street.
- Michael Healy, 19 Ridge street.
- Thos. L. Thornell, 169 West 12th street.
- John Theiss, 223 Bowery.
- George F. Codington, 62 Perry street.
- Joseph P. Strack, 179 Third street.
- William S. Kreps, 354 West 27th street.
- Patrick Keenan, 217 Lewis street.
- William Wade, 144 West 21st street.
- John J. Kehoe, 138 First avenue.
- Edward Brucks, 422 West 39th street.
- George Kelly, 318 East 20th street.
- Stephen M. Simonson, 205 West 48th street.
- Philip Cumisky, 552 First avenue.
- Henry A. Linden, 68th st., bet. 10th and 11th avs.
- Isaac Sommers, 165 East 62d street.
- Benjamin Beyea, 23 East 132d street.

JOSEPH P. STRACK, President.
W. H. MOLONEY, Clerk.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

ARTS AND SCIENCES.—Assistant Aldermen Cumisky, Murphy, Codington.
DONATIONS.—Assistant Aldermen Sommers, Wisser, Wade.
FERRIES.—Assistant Aldermen Healy, Kehoe, Theiss.
FINANCE.—Assistant Aldermen Clancy, Sommers, Wade.
LANDS AND GAS.—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Beyea, Brucks.
LAW DEPARTMENT.—Assistant Aldermen Clancy, Keenan, Thornell.
MARKETS.—Assistant Aldermen Kelly, Kehoe, Keating, Foley, Beyea.
NATIONAL AFFAIRS.—Assistant Aldermen Theiss, Murphy, Cumisky, Simonson, Codington.
ORDINANCES.—Assistant Aldermen Brucks, Kehoe, Sommers.
PRINTING AND ADVERTISING.—Assistant Aldermen Keating, Kreps, Beyea, Sommers, Theiss.
PUBLIC HEALTH.—Assistant Aldermen Theiss, Wisser, Cumisky.
PUBLIC BUILDINGS.—Assistant Aldermen Keenan, Murphy, Wisser.
PUBLIC WORKS.—Assistant Aldermen Sommers, Keating, Kreps.
RAILROADS.—Assistant Aldermen Healy, Keenan, Linden, Cumisky, Theiss.
ROADS.—Assistant Aldermen Cumisky, Thornell, Brucks.
SALARIES AND OFFICES.—Assistant Aldermen Brucks, Kehoe, Wisser.
SEWERS.—Assistant Aldermen Kelly, Wade, Wisser.
STREETS.—Assistant Aldermen Wisser, Theiss, Linden.
STREET PAVEMENTS.—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Sommers, Simonson.
JOINT COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS.—Assistant Aldermen Sommers, Keenan, Linden.

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.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Mayor's Office, No. 6, City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.
Mayor's Marshal, No. 5, City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.
Permit Bureau, No. 1, City Hall, 10 A. M. to 2 P. M.
License Bureau, No. 1, City Hall, 10 A. M. to 2 P. M.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Clerk of the Common Council and of Board of Supervisors, 7 and 8, City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Clerk of Board of Assistant Aldermen, 9½ City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

NEW COUNTY COURT HOUSE, OFFICE HOURS 9 A. M. TO 4 P. M.

- Comptroller's Office, West end.
- Bureau for the collection of the revenue accruing from rents and interest on bonds and mortgages, and revenue arising from the use or sale of property belonging to or managed by the city; Ground floor, west end.
- Bureau for the Collection of Taxes; Brown stone building, City Hall Park.
- Bureau for the Collection of Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and Water Rents; Ground floor, west end.
- Auditing Bureau; Main floor, west end.
- Auditing of Licenses; Ground floor, west end.
- Bureau of Markets; Ground floor, west end.
- Bureau for the reception of all moneys paid into the Treasury in the City, and for the payment of money on warrants drawn by the Comptroller and countersigned by the Mayor, at the Office of Chamberlain and County Treasurer; Main floor, west end.
- Bureau for the Collection of Assessments; Rotunda.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Counsel to the Corporation, 82 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Public Administrator, 115 and 117 Nassau street, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Corporation Attorney, 115 and 117 Nassau street, 8½ A. M. to 4½ P. M.
Attorney for the Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes, 237 Broadway, room 5, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Attorney to the Department of Buildings, 20 Nassau street, room 52, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

NO. 300 MULBERRY STREET, ALWAYS OPEN.

Central Office.
Commissioners' Office.
Superintendent's Office.
Inspectors' Office.
Chief Clerk's Office, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Property Clerk.
Bureau of Street Cleaning, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Bureau of Elections.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

CITY HALL, 9 A. M. TO 4 P. M.

Commissioners' Office, No. 19.
Chief Clerk's Office, No. 20.
Contract Clerk's Office, No. 21.
Engineer in Charge of Sewers, No. 21.
Boulevards & Avenues, No. 18½.
Bureau of Repairs and Supplies, No. 18.
" " Lamps and Gas, No. 13.
" " Incumbrances, No. 13.
" " Street Improvements, No. 11.
" " Chief Engineer Croton Aqueduct, No. 11½.
" " Water Register, No. 10.
" " Water Purveyor, No. 4.
" " Streets and Roads, No. 13.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

Central Office, No. 66 Third avenue, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Out Door Poor Department, No. 66 Third avenue, always open; entrance on 11th street.
Free Labor Bureau, 8 and 10 Clinton pl. 5 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Reception Hospital, City Hall Park, N. E. corner, always open.
Reception Hospital, 99th st. and 10th av., always open.
Bellevue Hospital, foot of 26th street, E. R. " " "

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

NOS. 127 AND 129 MERCER ST., 9 A. M. TO 4 P. M.
Commissioners' Office. Chief of Department.
Inspectors of Combustibles. Fire Marshal.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

NO. 301 MOTT STREET.

Commissioner's Office, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Sanitary Superintendent, always open.
Register of Records, for granting burial permits, on all days of the week except Sunday from 7 A. M. to 6 P. M., and on Sundays from 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

Commissioners' Office, 36 Union Sq., 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

Commissioners' Office, 346 and 348 Broadway corner Leonard street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

Commissioners' Office, Brown stone building, City Hall Park, 32 Chambers st., 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. on Saturday 9 A. M. to 3 P. M.
Surveyor's Bureau, 19 Chatham st., 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Board of Assessors, " " " " "

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

Superintendent's Office, 2 Fourth av., 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

BOARD OF EXCISE.

Commissioners' Office, 299 Mulberry st., 9 A. M., 4 P. M.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

CORNER GRAND AND ELM STREETS.
Office of the Board, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Superintendent of Schools, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS.

Office, No. 32 Chambers street, (basement.)

COMMISSIONERS OF EMIGRATION

CASTLE GARDEN.

Commissioners' Office, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Superintendent's Office, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

THE CITY RECORD.

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

MISCELLANEOUS OFFICES.

HOURS 9 A. M. TO 4 P. M.

Coroner's Office, 40 E. Houston street.

Sheriff's Office, first floor, N. E. corner New Court House.

County Clerk's Office, first floor, S. W. corner New Court House.

Surrogate's Office, first floor, S. E. corner New Court House.

Register's Office, Hall of Records, City Hall Park.

District Attorney's Office, second floor Old Court House, 32 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

COMMISSIONER OF JURORS.

Commissioner's Office, basement brown stone building City Hall Park, 32 Chambers st., 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

COURTS.

SUPREME COURT.

General Term, Special Term, Chambers, Circuit Part I, Circuit Part II, Second floor, New Court House, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Part I, Part II, Third floor, New Court House, 11 A. M. Clerk's Office, Third floor, New Court House, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

COMMON PLEAS.

Third floor, New Court House, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

GENERAL SESSIONS.

No. 32 Chambers street, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Clerk's Office, 32 Chambers st., room 14, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

OVER AND TERMINER.

General Term, Special Term, No. 32 Chambers street, room 11, 10 A. M.

MARINE COURT.

General Term, room 17; Special Term, room 15; Chambers, room 18; 10 A. M. to 3 P. M. Clerk's Office, room 19, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. No. 32 Chambers street.

SPECIAL SESSIONS.

At Tombs, corner Franklin and Centre streets, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, 10 A. M.

JUSTICE'S (OR DISTRICT) COURTS.

First District—1st, 2d, 3d and 5th Wards, south-west corner of Centre and Chambers sts., 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Second District—4th, 6th and 14th Wards, No. 514 Pearl street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Third District—8th, 9th and 15th Wards, No. 12 Greenwich avenue, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Fourth District—10th and 17th Wards, No. 163 East Houston street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Fifth District—7th, 11th and 13th Wards, No. 154 Clinton street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Sixth District—

Seventh District—19th and 22d Wards, Fifty-seventh street, between Third and Lexington avs., 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Eighth District—16th and 20th Wards, south-west corner 22d street and 7th ave., 9½ A. M. to 4 P. M.

Ninth District—12th Ward, No. 2374 Fourth avenue, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Tenth District—23d and 24th Wards, N. E. corner of Third avenue and Southern Boulevard, Harlem Bridge, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

POLICE COURTS.

First District—14th, 24th, 25th, 26th and portion of Sanitary Precinct, Tombs, corner Franklin and Centre streets, 7 A. M. to 3 P. M.

Second District—8th, 9th, 15th, 16th, 20th, 25th, 33d, 28th and 29th Precincts, Greenwich ave., corner of 10th street, 9 A. M. to 6 P. M.

Third District—7th, 10th, 11th, 13th, 17th, 18th and portion of Sanitary Precinct, No. 69 Essex street, 8 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Fourth District—19th, 21st, 22d, 23d and 10th Sub-station, Fifty-seventh street, between Third and Lexington avenues, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.

Fifth District 12th Ward, No. 2374 Fourth avenue, (Harlem), 8 A. M. to 4 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

NO. 32 CHAMBERS STREET, NEW YORK, JANUARY 5, 1874.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOOKS of Annual Record of the assessments upon the Real and Personal Estate of the City and County of New York, for the year 1874, will be open for inspection and revision, on and after Monday, January 12th, 1874, and will remain open until the 30th day of April, 1874, inclusive, for the correction of errors and the equalization of the assessments of the aforesaid real and personal estate.

All persons believing themselves aggrieved must make application to the Commissioners during the period above mentioned, in order to obtain the relief provided by law.

By order of the Board,

ALBERT STORER,

Secretary.

DEPARTMENT PUBLIC PARKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
36 Union Square,
New York, April 6, 1874.

PROPOSALS FOR SCREENED GRAVEL.

PROPOSALS, IN SEALED ENVELOPES, WILL be received at the Office of the Department of Public Parks as above until Friday, the 17th day of April, 1874, at the hour of 9:30 o'clock, A. M., when they will be publicly opened, for Five thousand (5,000) cubic yards of Screened Gravel, suitable for walks and roads, and similar to that heretofore used on the Public Parks of the city of New York; to be delivered in such quantities and at such times and places or any of the public parks of the city of New York as may be required.

No proposal will be considered unless accompanied by a sample of the gravel proposed to be furnished, by satisfactory evidence that the party making the proposal has the means and facilities to furnish the gravel, and by the consent, in writing, of two responsible householders or freeholders of the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residences being named, to the effect that they will become bound as sureties in the sum of five thousand dollars for the faithful performance of the contract, should it be awarded upon that proposal.

Each proposal must state the name and place of residence of the person making the same; the names of all persons interested with him therein, that it is made without collusion with any other person making an estimate for the same work, and that no member of the Common Council or other officer of the Corporation is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in any portions of the profits thereof.

The Department reserves the right to reject any or all proposals. Proposed sureties must verify their consent before a Judge of a Court of Record in the county of New York.

Forms of proposals may be obtained, and the terms of the contract, (settled as required by law,) seen at the office of the secretary as above.

Proposals must be addressed to the President of the Department of Public Parks, and endorsed "Proposals for Screened Gravel."

S. H. WALES, President.

H. G. STEBBINS,

PH. BISSINGER,

D. B. WILLIAMSON,

SAMUEL HALL,

Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS,
346 and 348 Broadway,
NEW YORK, April 3, 1874.

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING FIVE THOUSAND (5,000) WHITE, OR YELLOW PINE OR SPRUCE PILES.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING THIS material, endorsed as above, and addressed to Commissioner Budd, Treasurer of Department of Docks, will be received at the office of the Department of Docks, until 11 o'clock A. M., of Wednesday, April 15, 1874, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read.

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

The time for the full delivery of the material called for will expire on the 31st day of August, 1874.

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect.

No proposal will be considered unless accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders of the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded under that proposal, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as sureties for its faithful performance; which consent must be verified by the justification of each of the persons signing the same, for double the amount of security required.

No proposal 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 security or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

Blank forms of proposals and further information can be obtained by application at the office of the Department.

Proposals must be endorsed as above, and addressed to "Commissioner Budd, Treasurer of Department of Docks."

JACOB A. WESTERVELT,

WILLIAM GARDNER,

WILLIAM BUDD,

Commissioners of the Department of Docks.

STREET OPENINGS.

SUPREME COURT.—

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the School Trustees of the Twelfth Ward at the Hall of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, until Tuesday, the 14th day of April, 1874, and until 4 o'clock, P. M., on said day, for the erection of a new School House on the south side of One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the Superintendent of School Buildings, No. 146 Grand street third floor.

Two responsible and approved sureties, residents of this city, will be required from each successful bidder. Proposals will not be considered unless sureties are named. Proposals must state the estimate for each branch of the work separately, and be indorsed "Proposal for Mason Work," "Proposal for Carpenter Work," "Proposal for Painting."

The name of the party or firm submitting a proposal must be indorsed on the outside of the envelope containing said proposal.

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

DAVID H. KNAPP,
JOSEPH P. FALLON,
LAWSON N. FULLER,
ANDREW SMITH,
GRANVILLE P. HAWS,

Board of School Trustees 12th Ward.

Dated, New York, March 20, 1874.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the School Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, at the Hall of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, until Monday, April 13th, 1874, and until 4 1/2 o'clock, P. M., on said day, for Desks, etc., in two class rooms of G. S. No. 32.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the Superintendent of School Buildings, No. 146 Grand street, third floor.

Two responsible and approved sureties, residents of this city, will be required from the successful bidder; proposals will not be considered unless sureties are named.

The name of the party or firm submitting a proposal must be indorsed on the outside of the envelope containing said proposal.

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

H. D. RANNEY, M. D.,
THOMAS MAHER,
WILLIAM KILLIAN,
THOMAS J. HALL,
AUSTIN ABBOTT,

Board of School Trustees, 20th Ward.

Dated New York, March 30, 1874.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the School Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward at the Hall of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, until Thursday, the 9th day of April, 1874, and until 4 o'clock, P. M., on said day, for the erection of a new school house for Primary School No. 9, on the north side of First street, between First and Second avenues. Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the Superintendent of School Buildings, No. 146 Grand street, third floor.

Two responsible and approved sureties, residents of this city, will be required from each successful bidder. Proposals will not be considered unless sureties are named.

Proposals must state the estimate for each branch of the work separately, and be indorsed "Proposal for Mason Work," "Proposal for Carpenter Work," "Proposal for Painting."

The name of the party or firm submitting a proposal must be indorsed on the outside of the envelope containing said proposal.

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

HENRY MERZ,
THEODORE H. MEAD,
ADAM WEBER,
OWEN MURPHY,
FRED. C. WAGNER,

Board of School Trustees Seventeenth Ward.

Dated, New York, March 27, 1874.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the School Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, at the Hall of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm street, until Monday the 13th day of April 1874, and until 4 o'clock P. M., on said day, for enlarging and altering Grammar School House No. 51, on West Forty fourth street, near Eleventh avenue.

Proposals must state the estimate for each branch of the work separately, and be indorsed "Proposal for Mason Work," "Proposal for Carpenter Work," "Proposal for Painting," "Proposal for Heating," "Proposal for Furniture."

Plans and Specifications may be seen at the Office of the Superintendent of School Buildings, No. 146 Grand Street, third floor.

Two responsible and approved sureties, residents of this city, will be required from the successful bidder; proposals will not be considered unless sureties are named.

The name of the party or firm submitting a proposal must be indorsed on the outside of the envelope containing said proposal.

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

JOEL W. MASON,
JOHN MORGAN,
JAS. R. CUMING,
ADNA H. UNDERHILL,
WALTER CARTER,

Board of School Trustees, 22d Ward

Dated New York, March 26, 1874.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF NEW YORK (127 and 129 Mercer street),
NEW YORK, April 4, 1874.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE following old apparatus, &c., will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, on Thursday, April 10, 1874, at 12 o'clock noon, at the Repair Shops of this Department, Nos. 19 and 21, Elizabeth street. All articles purchased at this sale must be removed within five days thereafter:

Two (2) hand fire engines.
Three (3) 4-wheel hose carriages.
One (1) 4-wheel hose crab.
Two (2) hook and ladder trucks.
Two (2) fire extinguishers.
Two (2) suction pumps.
Two (2) suction baskets.
Two (2) brass pipes.
Two (2) brass nozzles.
Two (2) wrenches.
Four (4) reel wrenches.
One (1) chain hook and rope.
Ten (10) ladders.
Three (3) leather pipes with brass nozzles.
One (1) drag rope 180 feet long.
One (1) " " 40 " "
One (1) " " 125 " "
One (1) " " 135 " "
Fifty-four (54) lengths leather hose.
Three (3) lengths canvas hose.
Two (2) fire bells (old).
The above articles may be seen prior to the day of sale upon inquiry at the Repair shops, with exception of the fire bells which are at No. 130 Amity street.

JOSEPH L. PERLEY,
ROSWELL D. HATCH,
CORNELIUS VAN COTT,

Commissioners.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

BUREAU OF COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
ROTUNDA COURT HOUSE,
NEW YORK, March 31, 1874.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY HOLDERS.

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

Confirmed March 19, 1874—56th st., paving, from Lexington to 4th aves.

" " 43rd st., paving, from 9th to 10th aves.

" " Gansevoort st., regulating, etc., from West st. to North river.

" " 82d st., regulating, &c., from 4th to 5th aves.

" " 105th st., regulating, &c., from 3d ave. to Harlem river.

" " 145th st., regulating, &c., 7th ave. to Boulevard.

" " 61st st., curb, gutter, &c., from 9th to 10th aves.

" " Monroe st., flagging w. s., from No. 311 to Corlears st.

" " Corlears st., flagging w. s., from No. 1 to Monroe st.

" " Front st., flagging n. s. from Montgomery to Gouverneur st.

" " 14th st., flagging, No. 341 to No. 347 bet. 1st and 2d aves.

" " 51st st., flagging, from 1st to 2d aves.

" " 52d st., flagging, n. s., from 5th ave. to 175 feet west.

" " 54th st., flagging, s. s., from 6th to 7th aves.

" " 54th st., flagging, n. s., from 2d ave. about 125 ft. east.

" " 57th st., flagging, n. s., 9th ave. to about 250 ft. east.

" " 57th st., flagging, from 9th to 10th aves.

" " 59th st., flagging, from 1st to 2d aves.

" " 51st st., sewer, from 6th to 7th aves.

" " 65th st. and Lexington ave., basin, n. w. corner.

" " Peck slip and Water st., basin, n. e. corner.

" " Tompkins and Stanton sts., basin, s. w. corner.

" " 53d st., fencing vacant lots, n. s., bet. 3d and 6th aves.

" " 57th st., fencing vacant lots, n. s., bet. 9th ave. to 250 ft. east.

" " 61st st., fencing vacant lots, n. s., 2d to 3d aves.

" " 6th ave., sewer, from 125th to 129th sts.

" " Tompkins and Rivington sts., basin, s. w. corner.

All payments made on the above assessments on or before the 29th day of May next, will be exempt (according to law) from interest. After that date interest will be charged at the rate of 7 per cent. from the date of confirmation.

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

ANDREW W. LEGGAT,
Acting Collector.

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IMPORTANT TO

LAWYERS AND DEALERS IN REAL ESTATE,

AND TO

MANAGERS OF BANKS AND INSURANCE COMPANIES.

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, February, 1874.

Monetary Institutions engaged in making loans upon real estate, are interested in providing themselves with all the facilities for expediting their work, and reducing the cost of examinations and searches. The attention of the Managers of Banks and Insurance Companies and of others is invited to the

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INTEREST ON CITY STOCKS.

THE INTEREST ON THE BONDS AND STOCKS of the City and County of New York, due May 1st, 1874, will be paid on that day, by the Chamberlain, at his office in the New Court House.

The Transfer Books will be closed from March 24th to May 1st, 1874.

AND H. GREEN,
Comptroller.

City of New York,
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
Comptroller's Office, March 16th, 1874.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY HOLDERS.

BUREAU OF COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
ROTUNDA COURT HOUSE,
NEW YORK, March 23, 1874.

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

DATE OF CONFIRMATION,
February 10, 1874.

Opening and extending of

LEXINGTON AVENUE,

from 102d street to the Harlem river.

The limits embraced by said assessment includes all the lots and houses, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land embraced within the following boundaries:

59th street to Harlem river, and from 3d avenue to 4th avenue.

All payments made at this office within sixty days from this date are by law exempted from the charge for interest at seven per cent., which runs from the date of confirmation.

The Collector's office is open daily from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

ANDREW W. LEGGAT,
Acting Collector.

BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
ROTUNDA COURT HOUSE,
NEW YORK, February 16th, 1874.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY HOLDERS

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

Confirmed Jan. 30, 1874—Paving 24th st., bet. 10th and 11th aves.

" " Paving 31st st., bet. 2d ave. and East River.

" " Paving 31st st., bet. 4th and 5th aves.

" " Paving 32d st., bet. 2d ave. and East River.

" " Paving 47th st., bet. 3d and 4th aves.

" " Paving 52d st., bet. 2d ave. and East River.

" " Paving 40th st., bet. Madison and 3d aves.

" " Paving 60th st., bet. 1st and 2d aves.

" " Paving 70th st., bet. 4th and 5th aves.

" " Paving 83d st., bet. 3d and 5th aves.

" " Paving 87th st., bet. 2d and 4th aves.

" " Underground drains bet. 56th and 57th sts., 4th and Lexington aves.

" " Underground drains bet. 57th and 58th sts., 5th and Madison aves.

" " Sewer in Ave. A, bet. 59th and 61st sts., with branches in 59th st.

" " Sewer in 104th st., bet. 2d and 3d aves.

" " Sewer in Greenwich st., bet. Leroy and Morton sts.

" " Sewer in Dry Dock st., bet. 10th and 12th sts.

" " Sewer in Horatio st., continuation through Greenwich ave., etc.

" " Sewer in Hudson st., E. S., bet. Vandam and Charlton sts.

" " Sewer in Lexington ave., bet. 69th and 70th sts.

" " Sewer in Broadway, bet. 27th and 28th sts.

" " Basin N. E. cor. Pearl st. and Peck slip.

" " Basin N. E. cor. 69th st. and Lexington ave.

" " Regulating and grading 117th st., from 7th to 8th aves.

" " Regulating and grading 121st st., from 7th to 8th aves.

" " Regulating and grading, curb and gutter in 40th st., from 1st to 2d aves.

" " Curb, gutter and flagging Lexington ave., from 61st to 66th sts.

" " Curb, gutter and flagging S. E. cor. 7th ave. and West 121st st.

" " Flagging N. S. 37th st., from 7th to 8th aves.

" " Flagging N. S. 53d st., from 5th to 6th aves.

" " Regulating, grading, curb, gutter and flagging in 51st st., from 6th to 7th aves.

All payments made at this office within sixty days from this date, are by law exempted from the charge for interest at seven per cent., which runs from the date of confirmation.

The Collector's office is open daily from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

ANDREW W. LEGGAT,
Acting Collector.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

NOTICE TO BUILDERS AND PROPERTY OWNERS.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,
OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 2 FOURTH AVE.,
NEW YORK, Jan. 2, 1874.

WHEREAS, THE TOWNS OF MORRISANIA, West Farms and Kings Bridge, have been annexed, and are now known as the 23d and 24th Wards of the City of New York, it becomes my duty, as Superintendent of Buildings, to extend the operation of the building laws over said territory, and to superintend the construction, alteration, repair and removal of buildings therein.

I therefore give notice to builders and property owners that plans and specifications for all new buildings, alterations, repairs and removals must be presented to this Department for examination and approval, prior to the commencement of the projected work.

All necessary blank forms, and any desired information pertaining to the building laws, will be furnished on application at this office, or to either of the inspectors, at their temporary office, Police Headquarters, Tremont.

W. W. ADAMS,
Superintendent of Buildings.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,
Office No. 2 Fourth av., opposite Sixth st.

ARCHITECTS, BUILDERS AND OTHERS, HAVING plans and specifications for the erection, alteration or repair of buildings to file with this Department, are hereby notified, that in all cases where iron girders, or lintels are provided to support brick walls, it will be necessary for them to submit properly drawn and figured elevations of the walls to be so supported.

W. W. ADAMS,
Superintendent.

DEPARTMENT PUBLIC WORKS.

NOTICE.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
Commissioner's Office, 19 City Hall,
New York, March 31, 1874.

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS WILL receive sealed proposals endorsed "Proposals for planking Vesey street Pier," until the 11th day of April instant, at 1 o'clock P. M., for furnishing the material and replanking, with yellow pine plank and timber, the southerly half of the pier at the foot of Vesey street, extending from West street to the head of the pier.

Plans of the work may be seen at the office of the Contract Clerk, Room 21, where blank forms of propositions, specifications and contracts will be furnished.

GEO. M. VAN NORT,
Commissioner of Public Works.

NOTICE.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
Commissioner's Office, 19 City Hall,
New York, March 31, 1874.

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS WILL receive sealed proposals endorsed "Proposals for Roofing Tompkins Market, etc., until the 11th day of April next, at 1 o'clock, P. M., for furnishing the material and Roofing Tompkins Market.

Blank forms of proposal, the specifications and agreements and any further information desired can be had on application to the Contract Clerk at his office, room 21, City Hall.

GEO. M. VAN NORT,
Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
Commissioner's Office, City Hall,
New York, March 30, 1874.

NOTICE.

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS WILL receive sealed proposals until the 11th day of April instant, at 1 o'clock, p. m., for furnishing illuminating Gas for illuminating any portion of the following Public Buildings, Structures and Offices:

Washington Market.	Third District Police Court.
Catharine " "	First District Civil Court.
Fulton " "	Second " " "
Gouverneur " "	Third " " "
Essex " "	Fourth " " "
Centre " "	Fifth " " "
Clinton " "	Sixth " " "
Union " "	Eighth " " "
Tompkins " "	Public Baths near foot of 5th st., East river.
Jefferson " "	Public Baths foot of Charles st., North river.
18th Ward " "	Att'y's " Rivington Street Pipe Yard.
Corporation Counsel's Office.	Department of Buildings.
Tax Receiver's Office.	First District Police Court.
Second " " "	City Hall.

for the term commencing April 15th, and terminating December 31st, 1874. The gas must be of as good a quality as what is known as "sixteen candles," and be delivered under one inch hydraulic pressure. Bidders must state in their proposition a fixed and definite price per thousand feet of gas furnished to each of the before-mentioned public buildings and places which they may propose for the price must include the expense of furnishing proper and correct metres for measuring the gas.

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

GEO. M. VAN NORT,
Commissioner of Public Works.

CORPORATION NOTICES.

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

1. For regulating, grading, curb, gutter and flagging Lexington avenue, from 66th to 69th streets.
2. For regulating, grading, curb, gutter and flagging 67th street, from 3d to 4th avenues.
3. For paving, curbing and flagging 7th avenue, from 110th to 154th streets.
4. For laying Belgian pavement in 63d street, between Lexington and 4th avenues.
5. For laying Belgian pavement in 59th street, between 1st and 2d avenues.
6. For flagging 53d street, from 7th avenue to Broadway.
7. For building extension of sewer at foot of 54th street, East river.
8. For building sewer in Broome street, between Mulberry and Mott streets.
9. For building basin on southwest corner of Elizabeth and Grand streets.
10. For building basin on southwest corner of Mott and Grand streets.

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

1. Both sides of Lexington avenue, from 66th to 69th street, to the extent of one-half the block on the intersecting streets.
2. Both sides of 67th street, from 3d to 4th avenues.
3. Both sides 7th avenue, from 110th to 154th street, to the extent of one-half the block on the intersecting streets.
4. Both sides of 63d street, from Lexington to 4th avenues, to the extent of one-half the block on the intersecting streets.
5. Both sides of 59th streets, from 1st to 2d avenues.
6. Both sides of 53d street, from 7th avenue to Broadway.
7. The property bounded by 52d and 56th streets, and 2d avenue and East river, except blocks bounded by 52d and 53d, and 55th and 56th streets, between 2d and 1st avenues.
8. Both sides of Broome street, between Mott and Mulberry streets, except the two corner lots on Mott street.
9. West side of Elizabeth street, between Hester and Grand streets.
10. West side of Mott street, between Hester and Grand streets.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and