

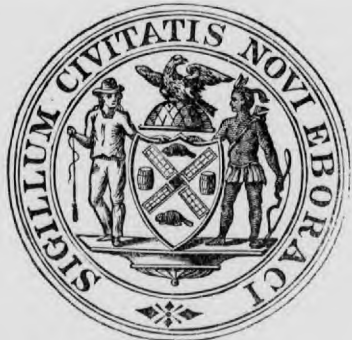
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Report for the Three Months ending September 30, 1883.

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
36 UNION SQUARE, November 15, 1883.

Hon. FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor :

SIR—In accordance with the requirements of section 49 of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York makes the following report of its operations and transactions during the three months ending September 30, 1883 :

During the past quarter the forces of the Department have been most active in prosecuting the work under their charge, namely, in the maintenance of the parks and Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, the regulating, grading, curbing, guttering and flagging, and paving of streets, constructing of sewers and drains, as the following statistics will show.

The Commissioner of Public Works has been requested to take the action necessary to proceed with the regulating and paving of Madison avenue, between One Hundred and Thirty-fifth and north side of One Hundred and Thirty-seventh streets, being the southern terminus of the approach to Madison Avenue Bridge, said improvement being necessary, as the approach to said bridge will be ready for use on the 1st of January next.

The Comptroller has been requested to issue bonds to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars, in such sums as may be necessary from time to time, for the "Construction of Bridges over Harlem River at Madison Avenue," pursuant to the provisions of chapter 534 of the Laws of 1871, and chapter 329 of the Laws of 1874.

The establishment of a system of telephone service, embracing the points of principal departmental importance throughout the territorial jurisdiction of the Department was deemed advisable and practically necessary for the speedy transaction of official business. An estimate therefor has been obtained from the Metropolitan Telephone and Telegraph Company, and an item to cover the expense according to such estimate included in the Department Estimates for 1884.

Nathaniel P. Bailey and Samuel L. M. Barlow, property-holders in the Twenty-fourth Ward, having petitioned the Board for permission to open, at their own expense, the proposed extension to Sedgwick avenue in said ward, between Fordham Landing road and Kingsbridge road, a resolution was passed granting such permission, the work to be done under the supervision and specific regulations of the Department. Work has been begun under said permission and is progressing with rapidity.

The subject of a changed site for the zoological collection and the designation of a site for a propagating house has received considerable attention, and the discussion and examination in the former connection has resulted in the adoption of the following resolution :

Whereas, It is the opinion of this Board that the collection of animals now located in Central Park, on the line of Fifth avenue, is now and has been for years a serious detriment to the comfort of the neighborhood, and that the ground is wholly unsuited for the proper care and growth of a zoological collection commensurate to the importance of the metropolis ; and

Whereas, It is very desirable that an effort should now be made to secure its early removal to a place within the Central Park which shall be more suitable and much less objectionable to people residing along the line of the park.

Resolved, That the area of ground in Central Park lying immediately north of the large reservoir and south of Transverse Road No. 4, east of the West Drive and west of the East Drive, be and is hereby designated as a suitable location for the zoological collection, and that the buildings and appurtenances of said collection be removed to that location from its temporary location so soon as the necessary arrangements can be perfected.

ENTRANCES AT SEVENTY-SEVENTH AND EIGHTY-FIRST STREETS AND EIGHTH AVENUE.

These entrances, drives and walks were designed and opened from the main West Drive of the Central Park to the Eighth avenue for convenient and direct connection with the ground that was formerly known as Manhattan Square, and now is a part of the Central Park, and upon which is located the Museum of Natural History. The carriageways were constructed by contract, and fully completed to the first of July last.

The work remaining to be done was the excavation for and construction of the walks and the shaping of the grounds adjoining.

At Seventy-seventh Street.

The grading and superstructure of the walks and the shaping of the adjoining ground has been completed.

The top dressing of the walks and grounds and the seeding and planting still remain to be done.

At Eighty-first Street.

But a portion of the grading for the walks and superstructure and the grading and shaping of the adjoining ground have been done.

The principal items of work done are as follows, viz. :

160 cubic yards earth excavation.
75 " " rock " "
420 " " filling furnished.
9,000 square feet, or 1,190 lineal feet, walk built, except surfacing.
1 basin built.

Drawings for granite posts, coping, etc., and a bronze railing to be set around the Obelisk were prepared and orders for the execution of this work have been issued.

A detachment of the laboring force of this Department is now engaged in preparing the ground for the posts and coping.

A contract has been awarded for the erection of a refreshment house on Mt. St. Vincent, in the Central Park, to James Brady, the lowest bidder therefor, at an estimated price of \$29,740.

Lines and grades for the location of the building have been staked out on the ground. A part of the ground for the basement story has been excavated. The walls of the old building on the easterly side have partly been taken down, and the cellar and basement story of this building is now being filled up with the excavated material.

The excavation for foundation of new building together with the change of the approach thereto was commenced about September 1.

The stripping of the rock has been completed and the rock is being removed by contract. The work done for change of approach on Drive is

280 cubic yards earth excavation.

75 " " rock " "

The mason work done during the quarter consisted of repairing basins and drains, the painting of bridges and walls, the laying of pavements and the general repairs of buildings, and cleaning out and rebuilding flues and partition walls of propagating houses, together with the conservatory.

The maintenance work of the parks has received every attention.

The plumbers' work consisted of keeping in working order all the cottage water-closet apparatus, general repairs of Croton water-pipes, with all necessary care for hydrants, gas-fitting, etc.

The force of blacksmiths and steam engineers have been engaged in repairing the rolling stock, lawn mowers, tools for Central and City Parks, Riverside avenue and Manhattan Square lawn guards, railings on Fourth Avenue Parks, boilers and steam pipes at Arsenal, and boiler in workshops; also attending the engine on Third Avenue Bridge, and the engine used on the laying of tan walks, repairing draw on Central Bridge and necessary repairs to Third Avenue Bridge, shoeing the department horses, besides attending to the general blacksmithing required in the Department.

The drives have been attended to, the picking and grading of uneven places, laying over the same their layers of gravel, which has been the means of keeping the drives in better shape than the accustomed work of filling the holes with gravel, irrespective of the shape of the roads, and at the same time more economical in respect to materials.

The usual attention has been paid to the mowing and raking of lawns, and the growing of hay on the North Meadows and other places, which were not required to be kept as lawns. The effect of the thorough top dressing and the brush harrowing of the park, during the winters of 1881 and 1882 and 1882 and 1883, was very visible last summer in the verdant appearance of the lawns, as well as in the production of hay, which has greatly improved in quality as well as quantity ; at least two hundred and fifty tons of well harvested hay was gathered, which will be sufficient for the use of the Department until the end of next year, besides drying and storing the coarse grass for bedding, independent of the lawn grass sold by the Property Clerk.

The cultivation and pruning of shrubs and flowers have been attended to throughout the park, as well as the flower beds, circles, vases, etc.

The effect of last winter's top dressing was very perceptible on the lawns of the City Parks. These were properly cared for in the cleaning of the walks, and the mowing and raking off of the grass of the lawns. But, notwithstanding the decided improvement which the lawns of Central Park and the City Parks showed from top dressing the scarcity of water from irrigation added much to the labor of maintenance, owing to the shutting off of the water by the Department of Public Works.

As a consequence of this action the fountains have been prevented from displaying their ornamental sprays, the appearance of which used to be so delightful to visitors.

The cutting of dead limbs from the trees has been attended to, which occupied several gardeners through the summer, and which work will be lessened to a great extent in future by the entomological system inaugurated to clean the trees of cocoons, as well as watching the breeding of insects on the leaves, and destroying them in their larval condition.

Holes for trees have been dug, and filled with fertile mould, from Fifty-ninth to Seventy-seventh streets on Eighth avenue. Each side of the stone flagging has also been dug, all stone and rubbish taken out, and graded with mould fit for seeding.

Walks have been graded and laid out with tan and gravel composition in Central Park as follows : the north, west, and south sides of lower ball ground, the continuation of walk from south of ball ground to towards Eighth avenue and Fifty-ninth street, and west from Greystone Arch to near Sheepfold. From northwest of ball ground to the joining of the tar walk, southwest corner of the green. A continuation of west walk from Seventh Regiment Monument to Seventy-second street entrance on south side, and from same entrance, north side, to bottom of hill near the lake.

From Playmates' Arch, west of the Dairy, to the Dairy, and around the swings to detour for ladies, on bridge road and back to Marble Arch and junction of walks near Centre Drive ; also walk near the Casino, and the repair of walks from Fifty-ninth street to Arsenal, on east side. In the Ramble tar walks have been laid from the west side to the Green, and the large space in front of steps to Belvidere, the whole amounting to one hundred and twenty-one thousand and eighty-eight square feet (121,088).

The usual work of propagating has been carried on at Mount St. Vincent, and the nurseries properly attended to.

The rolling stock, consisting of forty-four pieces, has been repaired and painted; one dirt truck, three hand-carts, and one light wagon have been made, two large derricks built, and the stables and cottages on Central and City Parks, the building on the East River Park, the propagating houses, and the old block house have been repaired, and six large ventilators made for the roof of the workshops.

Eighteen hundred stakes for fences and engineers' use have been made and painted, and fifty-four new signs made for the City Parks, and seventy-five repaired. The work on rustic benches has been continued, and will be completed in a few days ; and the settees on the Ramble and around the Conservatory in the first division of the Central Park, and the stationary seats around the Concert Round have been repaired, and in all 1,235 settees on the Central and City Parks have been painted.

The following have also been painted : the picket fence near Arsenal, the stables, workshops, monkey and bird houses, and the Carnivora House; the roof of the animal shed, and the fences around the same; the buildings on Washington Square, and the Restaurant near the Arsenal. Signs for Central, Riverside, and East River Parks, Central Bridge, and for the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards; the urinal and new trough on Battery Park, the lamp brackets on Transverse Road No. 3, tree guards on Riverside avenue, shed and arbor at the Casino, and the "Umbra" at Fifty-ninth street and Eighth avenue; three bridges on Central Park, the new ventilators on the roof of the workshops and derricks for Riverside Park, the railings around Fourth Avenue Park north of Fifty-sixth street, first coat, as well as the necessary glazing, using 162 lights of glass for the same.

An examination and report has been made as to the number and kind of trees planted in 1882 and 1883 on the Fifth avenue, the Riverside Drive, and Manhattan Square; how many of each species have died, and the causes of their death.

A careful examination has also been made of the divisions of the Central Park, in order to ascertain what trees and shrubs may be judiciously removed and transplanted.

The position of Superintendent of Planting having been found to be unnecessary has been abolished.

Park sidewalk on the Eighth avenue side of the Central Park, the grading of the walk, the taking up and relaying of the blue stone flagging between the Fifty-ninth street entrance and Seventy-second street is completed; the work was done by contract, and the quantity relaid is 25,640 square feet.

The improvements upon the small triangular Park at Sixty-third street, Boulevard and Ninth avenue was commenced several years ago and was left incomplete, and the work of finishing has been resumed since July last; the curb has been reset, the sidewalks graded, stone substructure placed thereon, and covered with a pavement of Syssel rock asphalt; and with the exception of the setting of the fountains and the seeding of the ground (which work is now in progress) the work is generally completed.

The quantities of work done are :

470 cubic yards earth excavation for walks, etc.
11,416 square feet substructure for walks.
608 lineal feet curb reset.
11,416 square feet Syssel rock asphalt.

Walks in and around the park, foundations for the remaining walks of Manhattan Square have been laid from the north end of the Museum Building around and on top of the east mound in the centre of the square, then running northwest along the bottom of the square, and around on top of the west mound with a circle on top of the mound.

The laboring force is now engaged in grading and shaping the centre part of the square, and in putting down gravel upon the foundation laid.

The usual work of caring for the condition and appearance of the square has been performed; the lawns have been attended to and the walks kept trimmed, the whole area kept clear of weeds, and the trees and shrubs cultivated and cared for; the north side of the east and west mounds have been filled and sloped with earth and mould and seeded; hard pam has been placed on top of sidewalk along Eighty-first street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues, and on the walks inside the square; wire fences have been put up and repaired, and the broken stone on walks inside the square regulated.

The working drawings for the various bays and entrances to Morningside Park bordering Morningside avenue have been completed; to facilitate the progress of the work all the necessary excavations for the foundations of all the bays and entrances have been done by the laboring force of the Department.

The Ladies' Cottages on Mount Morris and Reservoir Squares, which were begun in the early part of the summer, have been finished, and are now ready for use.

Additional accommodations for gentlemen have been made on Battery Park, near the west entrance to Castle Garden.

The improvements in progress on Riverside Park during the quarter have been confined to three sections, viz., Seventy-second to Seventy-ninth street, Eighty-seventh to Ninety-sixth street, One Hundred and Twenty-second to One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street.

Seventy-second to Seventy-ninth street.

On this section the work done has been the construction of sluices and lines of drain pipes from the outlets left on the westerly line of Riverside avenue, across and to the westerly side of the park.

The substructure and excavation for a twelve (12) feet walk, which so far as practicable, follows the surface of the ground; the excavation of rock adjoining the west side of Riverside avenue, near Seventy-second street; the shaping of ground adjoining the walk, and the wall of Riverside avenue; also the plazas or entrances at Seventy-second street and Seventy-ninth street, and the seeding of the finished ground near Seventy-second street.

Owing to the grade of Seventy-second street, a great amount of filling was required at that point as well as along the walk adjoining; by opening a free dump, sufficient material has been and is now being received without cost (except for the spreading) for the shaping as well as for the necessary stone filling for the entrances and walks. Immediately north of Seventy-ninth street the large depression (a portion of which is under water) is being rapidly filled in the same manner and cost; the principal quantities of work done are:

- 2,500 cubic yards of earth excavation and material re-handled.
- 1,500 " filling from exterior sources.
- 3,100 square yards of ground shaped.
- 1,250 lineal feet or 15,000 square feet of walks partially constructed.
- 325 " of 12-inch iron vitrified pipe laid.
- 250 " of stone culverts constructed.
- 150 cubic yards of rock excavation for pipe trenches, etc.
- 1 receiving-basin built.

Eighty-seventh to Ninety-sixth street.

The work done on this section has been principally the excavation of the rock slopes adjoining the Riverside avenue; shaping and excavation for and the construction of walks; in order to get in upon the park grounds to remove the stones and boulders left by the contractor for building the avenue, it was found necessary to construct a temporary road twelve (12) feet wide, of about 400 feet in length, on or near the easterly line of Twelfth avenue; by permission of the Commissioner of Public Works this was done at a small expenditure, and until the grading of the Twelfth avenue can be utilized as a walk.

The park area which had been stripped of earth by the contractor has been refilled, the material having been mainly secured from earth and mould taken from the ground on the easterly side of the avenue for the excavation and hauling. The principal work done is:

- 2,820 cubic yards earth excavation.
- 230 " rock excavation.
- 375 " filling from sources outside Park.
- 4,080 square yards ground shaped.
- 11,420 square feet walk built, except surfacing
- 9,685 " partially built.

One Hundred and Twenty-second to One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street.

The work done upon this portion has been for the grading of the fifty (50) feet carriageway, starting from the unfinished terminus of the Riverside avenue, near One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, and located along the top of the high bluff north and west of the old "Clairmont" house, and connecting with the Riverside avenue, near One Hundred and Twentieth street; the shaping of the slope; the removal of the top soil or mould and placing the same on the newly-shaped ground; and the breaking and preparing the stone for the superstructure of the drive, the stone being secured without cost from the sewers now being constructed along the Riverside avenue. A force of mechanics have been employed constructing a veranda around the old "Clairmont" house. The principal quantities of work done are:

- 12,500 cubic yards earth excavation.
- 4,120 square yards ground shaped.
- 300 cubic yards stone sledged.

The alterations and additions to the old building located on the upper end of Riverside Park, known as the "Clairmont House," have been and are now being made in accordance with drawings prepared; a wide veranda around the entire building is in progress of construction.

Plans and specifications for granite coping and granite step fronting the plaza at Seventy-second street and Riverside Park were made; estimates for the execution of the work were submitted.

The maintenance of the Riverside Drive and walks, with the grass plots and trees, have been attended to, and through an additional force of men, a great improvement has been produced, making the whole an attractive promenade, and the list of visitors constantly increasing.

The tree guards have all been painted, much improving them as to appearance and durability. A topographical map of Riverside avenue has been prepared for the Department.

Plans and specifications for the completion of the drive from Eighty-fifth to Eighty-eighth street have been almost finished.

RIVERSIDE AVENUE WALL.

This wall was constructed by the contractor for the regulating and grading of Riverside Drive or avenue, for a retaining wall with a parapet wall on top for protection; at three points it has settled and fallen so as to require being rebuilt.

Between One Hundred and First and One Hundred and Second streets the whole wall for a distance of fifty (50) feet on grade line had settled. The foundation being over an old water-course, it was undermined.

Near One Hundred and Third street the wall for a distance of fifty (50) feet at grade of walk was not constructed so as to withstand the pressure from the rear, which it was designed to sustain, and consequently was forced over into the park.

At One Hundred and Fifteenth street the whole wall and parapet was entirely washed out in 1882, for a distance of sixty (60) feet by the heavy body of water coming down the drive ride and walk (a width of 168 feet), for a distance of 1,500 feet from the northward, with a fall of about 45 feet, together with the surface water from the grounds and streets extending easterly to the Boulevard from One Hundred and Nineteenth to One Hundred and Fifteenth street.

The taking down of the wall at One Hundred and First and One Hundred and Third streets was commenced about 1st of September, and the work of rebuilding is now in progress. The work done is:

- 104 lineal feet parapet and coping removed.
- 410 cubic yards wall taken down.
- 375 " earth and stone filling excavated.

Statement of the Average Working Force per day on Riverside Park Wall for the Quarter ending September 30, 1883.

MONTHS.	Foremen.	Blacks.	Redmen.	Laborers.	Blacksmiths.	Helpers.	Carts.	Teams.	Stone-cutters.	Masons.	Carpenters.	Painters.
July.....	5	2	14	115	1	1	18	3	..	..	..	..
August.....	6	2	15	112	1	1	19	3	1	2	2	..
September.....	7	2	25	132	1	1	21	3	1	3	7	2

The engineer corps of this Department engaged on these works consist of one assistant engineer, with two sub-corps of four men each; in addition to the duties required for the laying-out, estimates, etc., for the work of construction, under the direction of the Engineer, they are detailed to the Architect and Superintendent of Parks whenever they require lines, grades, and other surveys on the Central and City Parks, on the One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street Park in the Twenty-third Ward, drainage for Mount Morris Cottage, and Manhattan Square.

SURVEYING, LAYING OUT AND MONUMENTING.

The progress made in this work during the past quarter has been generally excellent. The additional assistants authorized by the Board last spring having become well broken in with more rapidity, at the same time maintaining the high degree of accuracy required; still better results may reasonably be expected from them with increased length of service.

The following named maps have been filed or adopted and filed, during the quarter:

1. East One Hundred and Fifty-fourth street, change of grade, between College and Courtland avenues; the grade established by the town of Morrisania in 1871 necessitated lowering several feet the present surface of the street, to which the adjoining houses had been built to conform; the change of grade now adopted by the Department on petition of the property-owners in interest, will necessitate but a small amount of cutting when the street is regulated and graded.
2. Rider avenue, classification, between One Hundred and Thirty-fifth and One Hundred and Thirty-sixth streets.

It having been found imperative to acquire title to this avenue throughout its length, in order that a main line of sewer might be completed therein, it was adopted and filed as a street of the first class, as required by the Laws of 1876.

3. Lincoln avenue, from East One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street to the United States channel line.

In this case action was also taken as it was requisite to acquire title to a portion of the avenue, in order that a main sewer might be constructed to tidewater.

4. Gerard avenue, classification, from Sedgwick avenue to One Hundred and Sixty-first street. In view of the opening of the Madison Avenue Bridge, Gerard avenue will be needed to form a direct, low grade, main thoroughfare directly connecting it with Jerome avenue. In order to commence proceedings for acquiring title to this avenue, and subsequently grading it, it has been filed as a street of the first class.

5. East One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, change of grade, between Cauldwell and Forest avenues.

Action in this case was taken on the petition of a number of the property-owners on the line of the street who were dissatisfied with the grade as established by the town of Morrisania in 1871, on account of the cutting required at Trinity avenue.

6. One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street, laying out, between the Kingsbridge road and Tenth avenue.

Action in this case was also taken on a petition of property-holders who had purchased from the Jumel estate lots fronting on this street, it having been laid out by said estate as a private street.

Calculations necessary to determine the positions of monuments and the dimensions of blocks have been completed as follows during the quarter for about 92,000 lineal feet or 17.4 miles of streets, covering an area in the

1. Central District, of about 90 acres.
2. Hunt's Point District, of about 294 acres.

DRAUGHTING.

During the quarter 114 maps and plans have been prepared, making in the aggregate 412 square feet. They may be classified as follows:

Relating to laying out and monumenting.....	23 maps.
" tax maps.....	32 "
" street openings.....	23 "
" assessments.....	12 "
" bridges.....	13 "
" sewers.....	4 "
" street improvements.....	7 "
Total.....	114 "

In addition 13 heliographic copies of maps and plans were prepared.

TAX MAPS.

Especial efforts have been made during the quarter to push forward this most important work. The additional fund made available for carrying on this work by the transfer of unexpended balances from the appropriations of previous years, towards the end of the quarter, has enabled the force to be increased and the work proportionately advanced.

Two field parties have been kept steadily at work during the quarter in making surveys required in preparing the tax maps of the Twenty-third Ward. The district covered by these surveys were all of Melrose, North Melrose and the northern division of North Melrose and portions of West Morrisania, embracing some 496 properties and covering 98½ acres.

Searches have been in progress at the Register's Office of the County of Westchester for a large portion of the quarter; 937 have been completed, covering all of West Morrisania and the district south of Endrow street, between Cromwell's creek and Central avenue. Some fifteen maps were copied in the Register's Office in connection with the searches.

Final calculations, examinations, and comparisons of surveys, searches and maps have been completed for 504 blocks, of which 429 blocks were completed prior to this quarter, and 75 blocks during the quarter.

The draughting which cannot precede the calculations, has been constantly well kept up to the same.

During the quarter Vol. VII of the Twenty-third Ward has been practically completed, Vol. VIII considerably advanced, and Vol. IX commenced.

With the completion of Volumes I, VI and VII, the more thickly settled and the more subdivided districts of the Twenty-third Ward have been covered, and as a consequence the work on the remaining volumes will be much facilitated.

The field work accomplished during the quarter has consisted of (a) running traverses for monumenting, (b) setting points for monuments, (c) placing the monuments.

The results accomplished were:

(a) 44,578 feet of traverse lines were run.	
In the Morrisania District.....	5,610 feet.
In the Central District.....	38,968 "
(b) 262 monument points were set.	
In the Morrisania District.....	10 points.
In the Boscobel District.....	90 "
In the Hunt's Point District.....	96 "
In the Central District.....	66 "

(c) 61 monuments and bolts were set.	
In the Boscobel District.....	7
In the Hunt's Point District.....	46
In the Central District.....	8

Ten monuments were reset in the Morrisania District.

These monuments define on the ground—

19,060 feet of streets and avenues in the Hunt's Point District.	
900 " " " Central District.	
2,500 " " " Boscobel District.	

22,460 feet in all, or some 4¼ miles including all or portions of the following:

Boscobel District—Aqueduct avenue.
Tremont avenue.
Hunt's Point District—Edgewater road.
Barnard street.
Hallock street.
Drake street.
Whittier street.
Poe street.
Longfellow street.
Webb street.
Dickey street.
Sacrahang street.
Lane avenue.
Mar's Crescent.

STREET OPENINGS.

This work within the year has become of greatly increased importance, owing to the frequent demands for same from property-owners. During the quarter proceedings have been ordered commenced for acquiring title to—

1. Rider avenue, from One Hundred and Thirty-fifth to One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street..... 201 lineal feet.
2. Lincoln avenue, from Southern Boulevard to Harlem river..... 504 "
3. Gerard avenue, from One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street to Jerome avenue..... 19,575 "

—in all, 384,100 miles, or 20,280 lineal feet.

The object to be accomplished in opening the first two named avenues was to enable main lines of sewers to be constructed therein.

Gerard avenue furnishes a low grade and direct thoroughfare from Jerome avenue to the Madison Avenue Bridge, and in view of the early opening of the latter for use, this thoroughfare should be made available as soon as possible.

There have been furnished during the quarter—

1. In the matter of acquiring title to Riverdale avenue, Benefit maps, 3 copies; Drainage maps, 3 copies.
2. In the matter of acquiring title to One Hundred and Sixty-second street, from Elton to Brook avenue, Rule map, 3 copies.
3. In the matter of acquiring title to One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street, from Railroad to Webster avenue, Rule map, 3 copies.
4. In the matter of acquiring title to Rider avenue, from One Hundred and Thirty-fifth to One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street, Rule map, 3 copies.

In addition to the above, a large amount of work has been done on the maps necessary to acquire title to—

Cedar Parks.
Railroad avenue, East.
Bailey avenue.
Tremont street.
Prospect avenue.
Sedgwick avenue (northern section).
Wales avenue.
Tinton avenue.
Kelly street.

DRAINAGE.

All maps required by the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the matter of acquiring a right of way for the Mill Brook drain have been completed during the quarter.

SEWERS.

A large amount of work in the construction of sewers has been accomplished during the quarter. The character of the work has generally been very satisfactory, alike creditable to those supervising and executing it.

Five contracts for sewers have been commenced, and two have been completed during the quarter, while two commenced last quarter are still in progress, as follows:

Commenced this Quarter.

1. Sewer in Third avenue and Boston road, from Brook avenue to One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street.
2. Sewer in Westchester avenue and One Hundred and Fiftieth street, between Brook and Courtland avenues.
3. Sewer in One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, between Mill Brook and Courtland avenues.
4. Sewer in One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, between College avenue and One Hundred and Forty-third street. Completed.
5. Sewer in One Hundred and Fortieth street and Alexander avenue, from North Third avenue to One Hundred and Forty-first street. Completed.

Commenced last Quarter—Still in Progress.

1. Sewer in One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, between Brook avenue and Willis avenue.
 2. Sewer in One Hundred and Forty-eighth street, between Mill Brook and Courtland avenues.
- Under special contracts during the quarter:
1. receiving-basin has been built at the northeast corner of Alexander avenue and One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street.
 - 3 receiving-basins have been rebuilt at the corner of One Hundred and Fortieth street and Willis avenue.

Stated in brief, the work accomplished has been:

170 lineal feet brick sewer, 26" x 36" built.
180 " " " 20" x 30" " "
600 " " 15" pipe sewer built.
3,865 " " 12" " " "

4,874 " aggregate length of sewers and culverts.
54 manholes built.
8 receiving-basins built.
3 " rebuilt.

Plans and specifications have been completed during the quarter for:
Receiving basin at One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street and Alexander avenue.
Sewer in One Hundred and Forty-fifth street, from Third to College avenue.
Sewer in One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, from Third to College avenue.
Sewer in Lincoln avenue and the Southern Boulevard, from the Harlem river to Willis avenue, with branches.

Final examinations have been made and certificates given for payments of amounts retained as "security for repairs" for:

1. Sewer in One Hundred and Forty-sixth street and Courtland avenue, Brook avenue to One Hundred and Fifty-first street.
2. Sewer in One Hundred and Forty-fifth street, between North Third and Brook avenues.
3. Sewer in One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, between North Third and Brook avenues.
4. Sewer in One Hundred and Forty-third street, between Alexander and Brook avenues.
5. Sewer in One Hundred and Forty-first street, between Alexander and Willis avenues.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS DONE UNDER ORDINANCES OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

A great amount of work of this character has been done during the quarter, probably more than in any previous quarter; not including any portions of the work where the entire contract is not yet complete, there have been, roughly stated:

9,500 lineal feet of streets regulated and graded.
8,000 " " " curbed, guttered and flagged.
950 " " crosswalks laid.

Nine contracts have been completed during the quarter, as follows:

1. One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, regulating and grading, etc., Willis to Brook avenue.
2. One Hundred and Forty-third street, regulating and grading, etc., Willis to Brook avenue.
3. Courtland avenue, regulating and grading, etc., North Third avenue to One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street.
4. Elton avenue, curbed, guttered and flagged, etc., North Third to Washington avenue.
5. One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, regulating and grading, etc., Elton to Courtland avenue.
6. Depot place, Sedgwick avenue to New York Central and Hudson River Railroad.
7. Sedgwick avenue, regulating and grading, from the Kingsbridge road to Boston avenue.
8. Northwest corner Alexander avenue and Southern Boulevard, regulating, grading, curb, gutter and flagging.
9. Intersection of North Third and Alexander avenues, curb, gutter, flagging and paving.

Five contracts are still in progress, all of which were commenced before this quarter, namely:

1. Alexander avenue, North Third avenue to the Southern Boulevard, regulating, paving and flagging.
2. Lincoln avenue, North Third avenue to Southern Boulevard, regulating, grading, curb, gutter, and flagging.
3. Willis avenue, North Third avenue to the Southern Boulevard, regulating, grading, curbing, paving gutters, and flagging.
4. Morris avenue, North Third avenue to One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street, regulating, grading, curb, gutter, and flagging.
5. Clifton street, St. Ann's avenue to Union avenue.

Owing to the injunction granted restraining the contractor for grading One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, between Boston road and Union avenue from proceeding, no work has been done during the quarter under his contract for the same.

The following statement will show the aggregate amount of work done during the quarter, together with that of similar work done last year during the same period:

		THIRD QUARTER, 1883.	THIRD QUARTER, 1882.
Filling.....	Cubic yards.....	37,502	12,275
Excavation, earth.....	"	5,612	1,164
" rock	"	1,000	68
" earth and rock.....	"	9,386	.....
Total.....	"	15,998	.....
Curb-stones set.....	Lineal feet.....	11,078	1,895
" reset.....	"	6,985	2,933
Gutter-stones laid.....	"	5,608	2,189
" relaid.....	"	459	2,738
Flagging laid.....	Square feet.....	54,791	16,574
" relaid.....	"	13,104	3,462
Bridge-stone laid.....	"	1,800	3,474
Paving (trap-block) laid.....	Square yards.....	10,700	.....
Street monuments reset.....	.....	27	.....

Lines and grades have given for curb, gutter, and flagging set by property owners for 125 lineal feet of sidewalk.

Assessment lists have been completed during the quarter for—

1. Sewer in One Hundred and Forty-first street, between Alexander and Willis avenues.
 2. Fencing vacant lots, north side One Hundred and Fifty-seventh street, 450 feet west of Elton avenue.
 3. Fencing vacant lots, south side One Hundred and Fifty-fourth street, 250 feet west of Courtland avenue.
- Survey, plans, and specifications for the following-named new works have been completed during the quarter:
1. One Hundred and Forty-sixth street, regulating and grading, Third to St. Ann's avenue.
 2. One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, paving, Third to Alexander avenue.
 3. One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, regulating, grading, St. Ann's avenue to Mott Haven Canal.
 4. Lincoln avenue, paving, North Third avenue to Southern Boulevard.
 5. Courtland avenue, paving, North Third avenue to One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street.
 6. Morris avenue, crosswalks, One Hundred and Thirty-eighth to One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street.
 7. Willis avenue, crosswalks, North Third avenue to Southern Boulevard.
 8. One Hundred and Forty-eighth street, regulating, grading, North Third avenue to St. Ann's avenue.
 9. Sedgwick avenue, grading, Kingsbridge road to Fordham Landing road.

MAINTENANCE—TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH WARDS.

The work of maintenance of the streets, roads, and bridges, cleaning and repairing of sewers and drains in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards has been cared for.

The increasing travel and traffic throughout the two wards and the large number of vehicles which use the main roads for summer driving have called for extraordinary attention and effort to make every important thoroughfare safe, smooth, and pleasant for those passing over it. When it is considered that most of the roads and streets named have only earth surfaces, which are soon cut up by wheels and damaged by the washing of rains, it will be perceived that the work of repair is a continually recurring task, and a duty which cannot be neglected without giving good cause for public complaint.

Among the highways, Jerome avenue is probably the most important. The great number of vehicles which pass over it, and the fast driving which is usual on it, compel extraordinary care so as to guard against accidents caused by uneven surfaces, by clouds of dust, or by other hindrances to safe travel. This thronged avenue has been kept thoroughly sprinkled and carefully repaired.

Necessary repairs and improvements have been made of the following roads, streets and avenues, viz.:

Albany avenue, Broadway, Concord avenue, Croton avenue, Boston and Third avenues (junction of), George street, High street, High Bridge street, Jefferson street, Jerome avenue, Kingsbridge hill, Kingsbridge road, Leggett's lane, Locust avenue, McComb's Dam road, Marble street, Moshulu avenue, Mott avenue, Myrtle avenue,	Oloff Park road, Palisade avenue, Prospect avenue, Riverdale avenue, Riverdale lane, Sedgwick avenue, Southern Boulevard, Union avenue, Van Cortlandt avenue, Wall street, Walnut street, Washington avenue, Westchester avenue, Third avenue, One Hundred and Fortieth street, One Hundred and Forty-first street, One Hundred and Forty-sixth street, One Hundred and Fiftieth street.
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In necessary connection with the repair of highways is the duty of making and repairing the bridges which occur in their course in safe and stable condition, and in rebuilding them where absolutely needful. This duty has been carefully executed, as will be seen by the following list of sixteen bridges, which have received the requisite repairs. It will be perceived that the bridges over Cromwell's creek have received the attention which their importance demanded. The completion of the approaches to the Bronx river bridges will extend into next year.

Bridges have been repaired at the following places, viz.:

Third avenue, over Mill brook.
One Hundred and Sixty-first street, over Cromwell's creek.
One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, over Cromwell's creek.
One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, over Mill brook.
One Hundred and Seventy-sixth street, over Mill brook.
One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street, over Mill brook.
One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street and Webster avenue.
Farmers' Bridge, over Harlem river.
Home street and Southern Boulevard.
Walker street and Centre street.
Mechanics' street, West Farms.
Old Williamsbridge road.
Broadway, over culverts.
Grand avenue, over culverts.
Home street, over culverts.
Schwab's lane, over culverts (rebuilt).

RETAINING WALLS BUILT.

Approach to bridge over Bronx river at Williamsbridge, 6,930 cubic feet.
Approach to bridge over Bronx river at Pelham avenue, 6,279 cubic feet.
Prospect avenue, between Locust avenue and Samuel street, 1,575 cubic feet.

A most important part of the Department functions in these wards is the inspection of the sewers of the district, and the requisite repair and cleaning of such as need it. This service is of the highest importance as a sanitary measure, and a timely and thorough attention to it is of vital interest to every household. This is especially the case in reference to the large outlet sewers, and the following statement of sewer repair and cleaning will show the care given to these requirements.

Necessary repairs have been made on the following sewers, including the cleaning of the same, with the number of lineal feet thereof:

240 feet of pipe has been laid on One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street and Third avenue.
20 feet of pipe has been laid on Schwab's lane.
250 feet of sewer has been repaired and cleaned on Brook avenue.
800 feet of sewer has been repaired and cleaned on College avenue.
1,500 feet of sidewalks have been rebuilt at the inlet of Brook avenue sewer.
800 feet of Mill brook has been cleaned between One Hundred and Thirty-eighth and One Hundred and Forty-ninth streets.

Next to the provision for an uninterrupted flow of sewage, the building of new drains where needed, and the cleaning of those already built, claim earnest attention. The diversified character of the surface of the district, especially in its still unsettled area, demands frequent and substantial drains. Without them rainstorms would flow fields and destroy highways, where watercourses cross them, and disease would invade neighborhoods. The following list of those cleaned and those built is respectfully submitted:

DRAINS.

95 feet of drain has been cleaned and repaired in Avenue B, South Fordham.
50 feet of drain has been cleaned and repaired in Denman place.
30 feet of drain has been cleaned and repaired in Jerome avenue, between One Hundred and Sixty-fourth and One Hundred and Sixty-fifth streets.
40 feet of drain has been cleaned and repaired in Jerome avenue, near Walnut street.
80 feet of drain has been cleaned and repaired in Jerome avenue, near Birch street.
100 feet of drain has been cleaned and repaired in Jerome avenue, near One Hundred and Sixty-first street.
200 feet of drain has been cleaned and repaired in Robbins avenue.
40 feet of drain has been cleaned and repaired in Sedgwick avenue and Depot place.
60 feet of drain has been cleaned and repaired in Washington avenue and One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street.
20 feet of drain has been cleaned and repaired in Leggett's lane.
78 feet of drain has been cleaned and repaired in One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, between Morris and Fourth avenues.
30 feet of drain has been cleaned and repaired in One Hundred and Sixty-first street and Walton avenue.
60 feet of box drain has been cleaned and repaired in One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street and Courtland avenue.

15 feet of new drain has been built in Jefferson street.
 75 feet of new drain has been built in Lane avenue.
 105 feet of new drain has been built in Prospect avenue.
 50 feet of new drain has been built in Union avenue.
 70 feet of new drain has been built in One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street.

Covered Stone Drains Built.

116 feet on Berrian's Landing road, between McComb's Dam road and Sedgwick avenue.
 20 feet on Berrian's Landing road, between Sedgwick avenue and Harlem river.
 18 feet on Berrian's Landing road and Sedgwick avenue.
 18 feet on Croton avenue, near Berrian's Landing road.

The remarks already made relating to the cleaning of sewers and drains will apply also to the proper care necessary for receiving-basins, for these basins have an important office to fulfill in carrying off the flow of the streets and gutters, and also in flushing the sewers; this they cannot do if they are not kept clean and free, and unless they are properly located and kept in repair. The requisite care has been given for this purpose, as will appear by the list following:

RECEIVING-BASINS

have been cleaned along the following streets and avenues:

One (1) on Brook avenue and One Hundred and Sixty-first street.
 One (1) on One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street and Third avenue.
 Two (2) on Brook avenue and One Hundred and Sixty-second street.
 One (1) on One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street and Third avenue.
 Five (5) on Third avenue, at One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street and at One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street.
 Three (3) on One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street and Fourth avenue.

Receiving-basins Lowered to Grade.

Two (2) at Brown's place and One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street.

New Receiving-basins Built.

One (1) on Sedgwick avenue and Depot place.

Receiving-basins Rebuilt and Set to Grade.

Three (3) on St. Ann's avenue and John street.

Attention has been given to the repair and efficient condition of culverts and gutters, and noted in the table following, while the pavements, crosswalks and sidewalks have not been neglected:

CURB, GUTTER AND FLAGGING.

900 feet of gutter has been paved on Berrian's Landing road, from Sedgwick avenue to Harlem river.
 1,200 feet of gutter has been paved on Aqueduct avenue.
 10 feet of gutter has been paved on Boston avenue.
 40 feet of gutter has been paved on Concord avenue and One Hundred and Sixty-third street.
 40 feet of gutter has been paved on One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street and Melrose avenue.
 40 feet of gutter has been paved on One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street and Boston avenue.
 50 feet of gutter has been paved on One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street and Fulton avenue.
 40 feet of curb and gutter has been reset at One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street and Third avenue.
 40 feet of curb and gutter has been reset at One Hundred and Sixty-fourth street and Boston avenue.
 200 feet of curb and gutter has been reset on Jefferson street.
 120 feet of gutter was opened and cleaned on One Hundred and Fifty-ninth street, between Melrose and Courtland avenues.
 40 feet of culverts has been repaired on One Hundred and Forty-eighth street and Third avenue.
 20 feet of culverts has been repaired on One Hundred and Seventieth street.

PAVEMENT, CROSSWALK AND SIDEWALK.

80 square feet of pavement has been relaid along Third avenue.
 120 square feet of crosswalk has been relaid on One Hundred and Sixty-sixth street and Washington avenue.
 70 square feet of crosswalk has been relaid on Westchester road and Robbins avenue.
 920 feet of sidewalk replanking was done on Jerome avenue.

GUARD RAILING.

The new avenues which have lately been opened in several parts of the district together with the widening of others have caused embankments and excavations whose borders, if unprotected, might result in danger to the public. To prevent this peril guard rails have been erected at dangerous points, and the enumeration of those erected in the last quarter, will be found as follows:

280 feet erected along Broadway at Kingsbridge.
 260 feet erected along Willis and Bergen avenues.
 147 feet erected along Third and Brook avenues.

ROADS AND AVENUES MACADAMIZED.

The satisfactory results of the substitution of macadam surfaces in place of earth roads, have been abundantly realized by the public, whose comfort and pleasure have been enhanced by such improved policy. The material valuation of any region of country is greatly influenced by the character of its roads. Interior roadways damage it in popular estimation, while smooth and substantial roads enhance its value. Without doubt the introduction of stone surfaces, instead of the earth roads, with their unevitable mud and ruts, has benefited the real estate of the two wards as far as it has progressed. During the last quarter a large amount of such improvement has been added, especially in much traveled vicinities, as will appear from the following table, which gives an aggregate of 291,294 square feet or about 3½ miles in length of newly macadamized road surfaces. The expenditure consequent thereupon will be amply repaid to the taxpayers in the general economy of repairs, in the increased facility of travel and in the value added to property.

ROADS MACADAMIZED, TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH WARDS.

	Square Ft.
Berrian Landing road, from 100 feet west of Croton avenue.....	61,600
Broadway (two sections).....	31,200
Kingsbridge road, west of Southern Boulevard.....	14,688
McComb's Dam road.....	44,800
Mott avenue.....	26,880
Sedgwick avenue.....	29,376
Southern Boulevard, from Third to Lincoln avenue.....	22,920
Riverdale avenue.....	10,400
Van Courtland avenue, from Railroad avenue to Broadway.....	19,030
Washington avenue, from One Hundred and Seventieth street, north.....	30,400
Total.....	291,294

The retaining wall at the southwest end of the park located on One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street, Franklin and Fulton avenues, has been finished, all the granite steps and platforms leading to Franklin avenue have been set, and a number of granite posts to support iron railing enclosing these two parks have been cut.

PARK LOCATED ON FULTON AVENUE, ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-NINTH AND ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTIETH STREETS.

An ornamental iron railing, resting on granite posts, has been set in front of this park, facing Fulton avenue.

WORKING FORCE.

The annexed details relating to the working force employed during the last quarter in the two wards will exhibit the number of individuals engaged, and the time utilized in labor, and clearly justifies the plan of arranging the force which has for some time been adopted. The machinery which is now available, the supplies of materials, and the systematic arrangement of labor, all unite in giving the requisite efficiency to the operations of the Department in this district.

Statement showing the Number of Days of Working Force employed in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards for the Quarter ending September 30, 1883.

MONTH.	Superintendent.	Foremen.	Draw Tender.	Steam Engineers.	Carpenter.	Masons.	Rockmen.	Double Teams.	Sewer Laborers.	Laborers.
July.....	31	175	31	40½	25	121	49½	746	74½	4,243
August.....	31	165	31	27	27	114¾	48¾	733	75½	3,936¾
September.....	31	171¾	30	65¾	25	65½	69¾	440¼	70½	2,358¾

Statement showing the Average Working Force per Day employed in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards for the Quarter ending September 30, 1883.

MONTH.	Superintendent.	Foremen.	Draw Tender.	Steam Engineers.	Carpenter.	Masons.	Rockmen.	Double Teams.	Sewer Laborers.	Laborers.
July.....	1	7	1	1½	1	4½	2	29½	3	169¾
August.....	1	6½	1	1	1	4¾	1½	27	3	145½
September.....	1	6½	1	2½	1	2½	2¾	17½	2½	94½

Statement showing the Number of the Working Force employed in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards for the Quarter ending September 30, 1883.

Superintendent.	Foremen.	Draw Tender.	Steam Engineers.	Carpenter.	Mason.	Rockmen.	Double Teams.	Sewer Laborers.	Laborers.
1	7	1	3	1	1	3	19	3	103

MADISON AVENUE BRIDGE.

The masonry substructure has been advanced during the quarter. The eastern abutment and approach has been completed to the level of the roadway. The southern abutment has been completed to the bridge seat, and considerable masonry has been laid on the southern approach. The lowering of pier four, for about one foot, to accommodate the requirements of the plan for the iron superstructure, has been completed. The iron work for the superstructure of spans 1, 2, and 4 is mostly in place, that for span 5 and the draw span yet remains to be placed.

The timber guard for the pivot pier has been completed during the quarter. The amount of work executed has been approximately:

2,750 cubic yards of wall masonry.
 2 " granite coping.
 1,550 " earth filling.
 194 piles driven.
 43,500 feet, B. M., of yellow pine timber placed.
 48,000 " oak timber placed.

A contract has been awarded for building the timber guards, at an estimated price of \$5,173. Pursuant to the authority given by law, the Comptroller has been required to issue bonds to the amount of \$100,000, from time to time, as required by the necessities of the work of construction, and in anticipation of its early completion steps have been taken to put One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, in the Twenty-third Ward, from Third avenue to the bridge, in a condition for the public travel which will then pass over it.

Proposals have been invited for the building of a plate-girder bridge over One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, in connection with the construction of the Madison Avenue Bridge.

The completion of the work is looked for at an early date. The Engineer of Construction has in accordance with the direction of the Board, and reported relative to the plans necessary for such completion. The Board has instituted inquiries relative to the practicability of lighting the bridge by electricity.

The attention of the Commissioner of Public Works has been called to the insufficient manner in which the bridge over the Harlem river is lighted, with a request that provision be made for lighting, with electric lights, that bridge and the Madison Avenue Bridge.

The Treasurer of the Board has been authorized to obtain estimates of the cost of a dynamo machine, for lighting the Third Avenue Bridge over the Harlem river.

The floor and roadway of the bridge have been repaired.

A design has been prepared for an addition on the south side of the westerly approach to the bridge, to be enclosed with a wooden railing.

A contract for the replacing of the fixed spans of the McComb's Dam Bridge, with new iron spans, has been executed with the Central Bridge Works, at an estimated price of \$26,718.03, to be completed within four months from the execution of the contract. The agreement was concluded on the third day of September. Work thereon has been already commenced, and is rapidly progressing.

Repairs and renewals of the timber work in the approaches have also been completed.

The floor and roadway of the bridge have been repaired, and a new oak bed laid under the track of the draw.

The following is a statement of the transactions of the force of Park and Gate Keepers of the Department during the past quarter:

The force consists of—	
Surgeon.....	1
Captain.....	1
Sergeants.....	5
Roundsmen.....	4
Patrolmen.....	59
Gatekeepers.....	39
Watchmen.....	7
Tailors.....	5
Total.....	121

Of this force, four sergeants, three roundsmen, forty-one patrolmen, thirty-three gatekeepers, our watchmen, and five tailors do duty on Central Park.

CITY PARKS.

One (1) sergeant, one (1) roundsman, eighteen (18) patrolmen, six (6) gatekeepers, and three (3) watchmen perform duty on the various parks throughout the city, as follows:

Patrolmen—	
High Bridge Park.....	1
Mt. Morris Park.....	1
Riverside Park.....	2
Reservoir Park.....	1
East River Park.....	1
Madison Park.....	2
Union Park.....	2
Stuyvesant Park.....	1
Tompkins Park.....	2
Washington Park.....	2
City Hall Park.....	1
Battery Park.....	2
Total.....	18

Gatekeepers—	
Riverside Park.....	3
Reservoir Park.....	1
Tompkins Park.....	1
Battery Park.....	2
Total.....	7

Watchmen—	
Mt. Morris Park.....	1
Madison Park.....	1
Union Park.....	1
Total.....	3

ARRESTS FOR JULY.

Disorderly Conduct—Committed for 4 months by Justice.....	3
“ “ “ 10 days “ “.....	5
“ “ “ 5 “ “.....	1
“ “ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	2
“ “ Discharged “.....	2
“ “ at Station.....	3
Total.....	16

Violation of Park Ordinances—Committed for examination by Justice.....	2
“ “ “ for 5 days “.....	1
“ “ “ to Charities and Correction by Justice.....	2
“ “ Fined \$2 by Justice.....	1
“ “ Discharged “.....	1
“ “ at Station.....	6
Total.....	13

Insanity—Taken to Bellevue Hospital.....	2
“ Discharged by Justice.....	1
Total.....	3

Intoxication—Committed for 1 month by Justice.....	2
“ “ “ 10 days “.....	3
“ “ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	1
“ “ “ 5 “ “.....	1
“ “ Discharged “.....	2
Total.....	9

Assault—Discharged by Justice.....	1
“ “ at Twenty-ninth Precinct Station.....	2
Total.....	3

Vagrancy—Committed for 3 months by Justice.....	1
“ “ “ to Charities and Correction by Justice.....	3
Total.....	5

Drunk and Disorderly—Committed for 6 months by Justice.....	1
“ “ “ 3 “ “.....	2
“ “ “ 1 “ “.....	4
“ “ “ 10 days “.....	2
“ “ “ 5 “ “.....	1
“ “ Fined \$5 by Justice.....	1
Total.....	12

Suspicious Persons—Discharged at Station.....	5
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Larceny—Committed to State Prison for 2½ years by Recorder.....	1
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Petit Larceny—Held for trial by Justice.....	1
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Picking Pockets—Held for trial by Justice.....	1
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Assault and Battery—Held for trial by Justice.....	1
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Larceny from Person—Held for trial by Justice.....	1
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Indecent Exposure—Held for trial by Justice.....	1
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Reckless Driving—Discharged at Station.....	1
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Males.....	58
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Females.....	15
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Total for July.....	73
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ARRESTS FOR AUGUST.

Intoxication—Committed for 3 months by Justice.....	1
“ “ “ 1 “ “.....	1
“ “ “ 10 days “.....	3
“ “ “ 2 “ “.....	1
“ “ examination “.....	1
“ “ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	1
“ “ “ 5 “ “.....	3
“ “ “ 3 “ “.....	3
“ “ Discharged at Station.....	1
Total.....	15

Violation of Park Ordinances—Committed for 1 month by Justice.....	1
“ “ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	3
“ “ “ 5 “ “.....	1
“ “ “ 3 “ “.....	1
“ “ “ 1 “ “.....	4
“ “ Discharged by Justice.....	2
“ “ at Station.....	5
Total.....	17

Disorderly Conduct—Committed for 6 months by Justice.....	1
“ “ “ 3 “ “.....	1
“ “ examination “.....	1
“ “ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	1
“ “ “ 1 “ “.....	1
“ “ Discharged by Justice.....	3
“ “ at Station.....	4
Total.....	12

Suspicious Persons—Discharged by Justice.....	2
“ “ at Station.....	5
Total.....	7

Indecent Assault—Committed for 11 months by Justice.....	1
“ Discharged by Justice.....	1
Total.....	2

Drunk and Disorderly—Committed for 3 months by Justice.....	2
“ “ “ 1 “ “.....	3
“ “ “ 10 days “.....	3
“ “ “ 5 “ “.....	1
“ “ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	2
“ “ “ 5 “ “.....	2
“ “ “ 1 “ “.....	1
“ “ Discharged by Justice.....	1
Total.....	16

Indecent Exposure—Committed for 6 months by Justice.....	1
“ “ “ 1 “ “.....	1
“ Discharged by Justice.....	1
Total.....	3

Vagrancy—Committed for 6 months by Justice.....	1
“ Committed to Charities and Correction by Justice.....	2
Total.....	3

Grand Larceny—Discharged by Justice.....	1
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Petit Larceny—Discharged by Justice.....	1
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Assault—Discharged by Justice.....	1
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Picking Pockets—Committed for 3 months by Justice.....	1
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Males.....	66
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Females.....	13
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Total for August.....	79
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ARRESTS FOR SEPTEMBER.

Indecent Assault—Committed for 10 days by Justice.....	1
“ Fined \$5 by Justice.....	1
Total.....	2

Drunk and Disorderly—Committed for 3 months by Justice.....	2
“ “ “ 1 “ “.....	1
“ “ “ 10 days “.....	3
“ “ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	3
“ “ “ 5 “ “.....	2
“ “ Discharged by Justice.....	1
Total.....	12

Disorderly Conduct—Committed for 4 months by Justice.....	1
“ “ “ 3 “ “.....	1
“ “ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	4
“ “ “ 3 “ “.....	1
“ “ Discharged at Station.....	2
Total.....	9

Violation of Park Ordinances—Committed for 2 months by Justice.....	1
“ “ “ examination by Justice.....	1
“ “ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	1
“ “ “ 5 “ “.....	1
“ “ “ 1 “ “.....	1
“ “ Discharged by Justice.....	2
“ “ at Station.....	8
Total.....	15

Intoxication—Committed for 6 months by Justice.....	1
“ “ “ 2 “ “.....	1
“ “ “ 10 days “.....	2
“ “ “ 5 “ “.....	1
“ “ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	1
“ “ “ 5 “ “.....	2
“ “ Discharged by Justice.....	3
Total.....	11

Indecent Exposure—Fined \$10 by Justice.....	1
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Attempt at Burglary—Held for trial by Justice.....	1
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Run over and killed by a truck at Washington Square. (Driver admitted to bail by the Coroner).....	1
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Picking Pockets—Discharged by Justice.....	1
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Males.....	50
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Females.....	7
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Total for September.....	57
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Arrests for the quarter ending September 30—	
Males.....	174
Females.....	35
Total.....	209

RUNAWAYS.

During the quarter thirty-six (36) runaways have taken place in Central Park.

COLLISIONS.

Eight (8) collisions have taken place in Central Park.

ACCIDENTS.

Twenty (20) accidents have taken place in Central Park and other parks throughout the city.

SUICIDES.

One (1) suicide has taken place in Central Park.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDES.

One (1) attempted suicide has taken place in Central Park.

DEATH BY ACCIDENT.

One (1) death has taken place in Central Park.

TAKEN SICK AND DIED.

One (1) sudden death has taken place in Central Park and one (1) in City Hall Park.

SICK CARED FOR.

Twenty-six (26) injured and sick persons were taken to hospital or home.

FOUNDINGS.

Two (2) foundings have been taken to Police Headquarters.

LOST CHILDREN.

Fifty-six (56) lost children have been taken to Police Headquarters or restored to friends.

IMPOUNDED.

Three (3) horses, three (3) cows, two (2) goats, and ten (10) geese have been impounded in Central Park Pound.

HORSES TAKEN TO PARK STABLES.

Ten (10) horses have been taken to the Central Park Stables.

WAGONS TAKEN TO PARK STABLES.

Six (6) wagons have been taken to the Central Park Stables.

LOST PROPERTY.

Fifty-two (52) articles were found on the various parks and delivered to the Property Clerk of the Department.

Recapitulation.

During the quarter the force has lost by resignation two Gatekeepers. One Parkkeeper and one Gatekeeper have been dismissed from the force.

Total Force.....	121
Arrests—Males, 174; Females, 35.....	209
Lost Children—Males, 26; Females, 30.....	56
Foundings.....	2
Suicides.....	1
Attempted suicides.....	1
Sudden deaths.....	2
Deaths by accident.....	1
Sick cared for.....	26
Runaways.....	36
Collisions.....	8
Accidents.....	20
Animals impounded.....	18
Horses taken to stables.....	10
Wagons taken to stables.....	6
Lost articles.....	52

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATORY.

During the past quarter two hundred and fifty tables have been printed each month, and distributed to home and foreign observatories and libraries. Weekly reports have been issued to the CITY RECORD, Health Department, and newspapers, and meteorological information has been supplied to the law courts not only of this city but also to those of adjacent places. This observatory has been able, on all occasions for the past fifteen years, to give the desired data from the records of its self-recording instruments. A great majority of the applications made are for the rain-fall, its time of beginning, time of ending, and amount of water, and also the time of greatest precipitation; the purpose for which such data are desired is that calculations may be made as to the proper size to build sewers, culverts, gutters, etc.

The new dry and wet sun thermometers mentioned in the last report are giving satisfactory records. As soon as enough observations shall have been taken, a comparison will be made with the records obtained from the dry and wet thermometers in the shade.

There are being made reductions of hourly temperatures for the past ten years from the records of the self-recording thermometers of this observatory, and monthly and annual temperatures for New York City during the past sixty-four years are also being computed.

The annexed tables give an abstract of the mean, the maximum, and minimum readings from the various self-recording instruments in this observatory, and also comparisons with the same quarter of other years.

Tables for the Quarter ending September 30, 1883.

BAROMETER (Reduced to Freezing).

1883.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	MEAN.	MAXI-MUM.	TIME.	MINIMUM.	TIME.
July.....	29.880	29.863	29.867	29.870	30.124	9 A. M., 21st	29.602	12 P. M., 15th
August.....	29.939	29.921	29.926	29.928	30.200	11 A. M., 15th	29.562	3 P. M., 2d
September.....	29.983	29.958	29.964	29.968	30.318	9 A. M., 10th	29.328	10 P. M., 24th
Mean.....	29.934	29.914	29.919	29.922	30.214		29.497	

THERMOMETERS (Fahrenheit Degrees).

1883.	7 A. M.		2 P. M.		9 P. M.		MEAN.	
	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.
July.....	71.06	66.58	78.87	70.26	73.58	68.80	74.46	68.54
August.....	65.42	62.00	75.74	66.61	70.00	65.13	70.40	64.58
September.....	57.73	54.83	67.83	59.43	62.23	58.23	62.59	57.49
Mean.....	64.74	61.14	74.14	65.43	68.60	64.05	69.15	63.54

1883.	MAXIMUM.				MINIMUM.				MAXIMUM.
	Dry Bulb.	Time.	Wet Bulb.	Time.	Dry Bulb.	Time.	Wet Bulb.	Time.	In Sum.
July.....	95	4 P. M., 7th	82	4 P. M., 7th	58	5 A. M., 30th	57	5 A. M., 30th	143, 1 P. M., 6th
August.....	89	4 P. M., 20th	79	4 P. M., 20th	55	6 A. M., 28th	54	6 A. M., 28th	141, 2 P. M., 25th
September.....	79	2 P. M., 2d	67	3 P. M., 2d	43	4 A. M., 10th	43	5 A. M., 10th	131, 1 P. M., 20th
Mean.....	87		76		52		51		139

WINDS.

1883.	DIRECTION.			MOVEMENT IN MILES.			FORCE IN POUNDS PER SQUARE FOOT.		OZONE.
	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	Total for Month.	Maximum for Day.	Minimum for Day.	Maximum.	Time.	
July.....	W	NW	WSW	5,076	313	84	19	5.50 P. M., 2d	1.35
August.....	NW	SW	NW	4,270	215	55	14	2 P. M., 1st	0.35
September.....	NNE	W	SW	5,047	392	43	18½	2.50 P. M., 27th	1.00
Mean.....				4,797	306	60	17		.90

HYGROMETER.

1883.	FORCE OF VAPOR.				RELATIVE HUMIDITY.				CLOUDS.			RAIN and SNOW.		
	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	Mean.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	Mean.	Clear.	o. Overcast.	10.	Duration.	Water.	Snow.
July.....	.607	.636	.649	.629	78	63	77	73	4.22	5.22	3.97	1 23 05	3.21	....
August.....	.515	.539	.563	.539	82	61	76	73	3.51	3.97	1.64	0 17 45	1.82	....
September.....	.400	.403	.439	.414	82	59	77	72	4.63	4.66	4.96	3 8 45	3.25	....
Mean.....	.507	.559	.550	.560	80	61	76	72	4.12	4.62	3.52	2 0 31	2.76	....

On comparing the temperatures of the above quarterly table with those of the same quarter for the past 59 years they give the following result:

	JULY.			AUGUST.			SEPTEMBER.		
	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.	Mean.	Max.	Min.
1883.....	74.4°	95°	58°	70.4°	89°	55°	62.5°	79°	43°
Mean for 59 years.....	74.4°	92.5°	58.5°	72.5°	89.3°	57.0°	65.1°	85.2°	46.6°

The coldest July was in 1862—Mean, 74.2°; maximum, 90°; minimum, 45°.
“ August “ 1861— “ 72.7°; “ 92°; “ 52°.
“ September “ 1871— “ 60.8°; “ 83°; “ 39°.
The warmest July “ 1825— “ 81.3°; “ 104°; “ 67°.
“ August “ 1864— “ 79.4°; “ 96°; “ 67°.
“ September “ 1881— “ 73.4°; “ 101°; “ 53°.

On comparing the water-falls of the above quarterly table with those of the same quarter for the past 47 years, they give the following results:

	JULY.	AUGUST.	SEPTEMBER.	TOTAL FOR THE QUARTER.
	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.
1883.....	3.21	1.82	3.25	8.28
Mean for 47 years.....	4.08	4.69	3.80	12.57

The maximum water-fall for July was in 1863—Amount of water, 8.60 inches.
“ August “ 1843— “ 15.26 “
“ September “ 1882— “ 16.85 “
“ Quarter “ 1868— “ 24.35 “
The minimum “ July “ 1881— “ 1.25 “
“ August “ 1881— “ .86 “
“ September “ 1846— “ .48 “
“ Quarter “ 1881— “ 3.08 “

The following donations have been received at the managerie:

DATE.	DONATIONS.	DONORS.
July 5, 1883...	1 Toucan.....	Mrs. Wyman, Brooklyn.
“ 13, “ ...	2 Small Alligators.....	Mr. W. Higbee, New York City.
“ 14, “ ...	1 Eagle.....	Mr. James Masters, New York City.
“ 18, “ ...	1 Pair Ring Doves.....	Miss E. Segebarth, New York City.
“ 23, “ ...	1 Small Alligator.....	Mr. B. F. Fisher, New York City.
“ 28, “ ...	1 Thrush.....	Mr. Ernest Marion, New York City.
“ 28, “ ...	2 Prairie Wolves.....	Mr. A. E. Brown, Supt. Philadelphia Zoological Garden.
August 4, “ ...	1 Red Fox.....	Mr. Henry Jennings, New York City.
“ 4, “ ...	1 Horned Owl.....	Mr. Frank Wilson, Eastern Pennsylvania.
“ 12, “ ...	1 Parakeet.....	Mrs. C. M. Porcher, New York City.
“ 16, “ ...	1 Harpy Eagle.....	Mr. George A. Burt, New York City.
“ 16, “ ...	1 Hawk.....	Mr. Will K. Hale, Catskill, N. Y.
“ 16, “ ...	1 Horned Owl.....	Mr. Samuel F. Prentice, New York City.
“ 16, “ ...	1 Woodchuck.....	Dr. E. Henel, New York City.
“ 29, “ ...	1 Horned Owl.....	Mr. J. Lawrence Hawes, New York City.
Sept. 4, “ ...	1 Opossum.....	Mr. Charles Benner, Astoria, L. I.
“ 5, “ ...	4 Canaries.....	Mr. I. B. Brice, New York City.
“ 6, “ ...	1 Canary.....	Officer Robert Kelly, Central Park.
“ 7, “ ...	2 Canaries.....	Master Otis Dulton, New York City.
“ 17, “ ...	1 Red Fox.....	Captain Killilea, Twenty-second Precinct.
“ 23, “ ...	1 Clapper Rail.....	Mr. A. T. Smith, New York City.
“ 23, “ ...	2 Agantis.....	Mr. W. H. Schieffelin, New York City.
“ 25, “ ...	4 English Hares, 2 Gray Foxes.	Capt. W. H. Cassell, Superintendent Druid Hill Park, Baltimore.
“ 26, “ ...	1 Pair Fowls.....	Captain Suendsen, Bark “Bertha Read.”
“ 26, “ ...	1 Virginia Cardinal.....	Dr. R. J. Hall, New York City.
“ 28, “ ...	1 Mule Deer.....	Mr. Jay Gould, New York City.

The Harpy eagle presented by Mr. Burt is a very rare specimen, and was captured on the Cordilleras, State of Panama, at an elevation of 3,400 feet. The English hares presented by Captain Cassell were set at liberty in the Park.

The births in the Central Park collection during the past quarter were as follows:
2 white cygnets, 2 black cygnets, 10 mallard ducks, 5 wood ducks, 3 herring gulls.
These gulls are supposed to be the first ever bred in captivity in this country.
One llama and one European pelican were received in exchange from the Detroit Zoological Garden for two African buffaloes and one zebu calf.

The animals placed on exhibition were as follows:

C. J. Crosby—
July 8. 1 Cebus monkey.
P. T. Barnum—
July 10. 1 small Indian elephant.
Sept. 2. 5 dromedaries.
Cincinnati Zoological Garden—
July 10. 2 brown bears.
G. S. Palmer—
July 21. 1 eagle.
Detroit Zoological Garden—
July 31. 1 jaguar.
J. J. Nathans—
July 31. 2 leadbeater's cockatoos.
Aug. 1. 4 Canada porcupines.
Sept. 17. 2 male ostriches, 2 male nylghaus, 2 male llamas, 1 white pelican, 1 kangaroo, 12 leadbeater's cockatoos, 2 white swans.
Sept. 19. 2 black bear cubs.
" 24. 2 spotted hyenas, 10 African snakes.
Dr. Al. Watts—
Aug. 21. 2 lions, 2 spotted hyenas, 3 black bears.
Dr. Lesbine—
Aug. 30. 1 red and yellow macaw.
John H. Starin—
Sept. 14. 4 English pheasants, 5 silver pheasants.
Henry Goodwin—
Sept. 18. 1 golden eagle.
Dr. H. M. Bachter—
Sept. 20. 1 green monkey.
J. K. Rice—
Sept. 21. 4 beavers.
E. B. Pierce—
Sept. 27. 2 monkeys, 1 coati, 1 eagle.

The following is a list of the animals withdrawn by the owners, also the length of time they were on exhibition:

P. T. Barnum—
July 28. 1 Indian elephant, deposited July 10, exhibited 18 days.
Aug. 27. 1 tat-tailed sheep, deposited March 22, exhibited 158 days.
Cincinnati Zoological Garden—
July 16. 2 brown bears, deposited July 10, exhibited 6 days.
Ensign Chambers—
July 18. 1 panther, deposited December 22, 1882, exhibited 208 days.
Detroit Zoological Garden—
Aug. 27. 1 jaguar, deposited July 31, exhibited 27 days.
J. J. Nathans—
Sept. 27. 4 Canada porcupines, deposited August 1, exhibited 51 days.
" 27. 2 spotted hyenas, deposited September 24, exhibited 3 days.
Dr. Al. Watts—
Aug. 30. 2 hyenas, deposited August 21, exhibited 9 days.
" 30. 3 black bears, deposited August 21, exhibited 9 days.
Frederick Keppler—
Sept. 17. 1 blue and yellow macaw, deposited March 27, 1882, exhibited 539 days.

The amount of food furnished by owners of animals exhibited is as follows:
905 pounds fish. 549 pounds meal.
552 quarts milk. 3 bags feed.
631 pounds hay. 40 bushels oats.
16 bushels corn. 3 barrels vegetables.

There were sold at public auction—
27 ram lambs, dropped March, 1883.
11 ewes, dropped March, 1877.

Statement of the Appointment, Removal, etc., of Employees above the Grade of Laborers for the Quarter ending September 31, 1883.

APPOINTMENTS.

DATE.	NAME.	OCCUPATION.	RATE OF PAY.
July 2.....	Ed. J. Woodlock.....	Painter.....	Per day, \$3 00
" 9.....	Chas. McGuire.....	Carpenter.....	" 3 00
" 9.....	O. H. Rogers.....	As-istant.....	Per annum, \$1,200 00
" 13.....	James Duffy.....	Skilled Laborer.....	Per day, 2 00
" 16.....	Rich'd Gaffney.....	Double Team.....	" 4 00
" 19.....	Joseph Berrie.....	".....	" 4 00
" 19.....	Daniel S. Cox.....	Carpenter.....	" 3 00
" 20.....	Peter Fallon.....	Painter.....	" 3 00
" 21.....	Mich'l Dooley.....	Double Team.....	" 4 00
" 23.....	Bernard Brady.....	Stone Cutter.....	" 3 00
" 23.....	Pat. Hughes.....	Cartman.....	" 2 75
" 30.....	Wm. J. Mead.....	Mason.....	" 3 00
" 31.....	Mich'l Kirby.....	".....	" 3 00
Aug. 6.....	Joseph Cleary.....	Foreman.....	" 3 50
" 6.....	Edmund O'Connell.....	".....	" 3 50
" 6.....	James Ryan.....	Gatekeeper.....	" 2 00
" 6.....	John Sheridan.....	Carpenter.....	" 3 00
" 13.....	James Parkes.....	".....	" 3 00
" 13.....	Wm. L. Sanford.....	Inspector.....	" 4 00
" 13.....	Samuel Leavitt.....	".....	" 4 00
" 15.....	John Jones.....	Carpenter.....	" 3 00
" 15.....	E. B. Russell.....	Foreman.....	" 3 50
" 17.....	John Kelly.....	Cottage Laborer.....	" 1 50
" 21.....	Charles Muller.....	Carpenter.....	" 3 00
" 22.....	W. F. Whittemore.....	Computer.....	" 2 50
" 28.....	Margaret Rawley.....	Ladies' Maid.....	" 1 50
Sept. 1.....	Chas. Diehl.....	Steam Engineer.....	" 3 00
" 5.....	Clarence Reton.....	Assistant Rodman.....	" 2 00
" 11.....	Thos. F. Green.....	Inspector.....	" 4 00
" 12.....	John E. Towle.....	Acting Axeman.....	" 1 75
" 17.....	Pat. O'Hare.....	Steam Engineer.....	" 3 00

DROPPED AND DISCHARGED.

DATE.	NAME.	OCCUPATION.	RATE OF PAY.
July 12.....	John O'Keefe.....	Patrolman.....	Per day, \$2 40
" 12.....	Thos. Nelson.....	Gatekeeper.....	" 2 00
" 25.....	Jacob Wrey Mould.....	As-istant.....	" 5 00
" 20.....	Wm. Shingleton.....	Draughtsman.....	" 3 00
" 20.....	Carl Riedl.....	Computer.....	" 3 00
" 20.....	Lawrence McKay.....	Gatekeeper.....	" 2 00

PROMOTED.

DATE.	NAME.	OCCUPATION.	RATE OF PAY.
July 18.....	Ed. Murray.....	Gatekeeper to Patrolman.....	Per day, \$2 40
Aug. 1.....	Michael Pendergast.....	Laborer to Steam Engineer.....	" 3 00
Sept. 20.....	Henry Wilson.....	" Rigger.....	" 2 50
" 20.....	Thos. J. O'Connor.....	Gatekeeper to Patrolman.....	" 2 40

Statement of Contracts Executed during the Quarter.

DATE.	CONTRACTOR.	WORK.	SURETIES.	ESTIMATED COST.
July 25	Warren Rosevelt....	Completing timber guards for pivot pier of Madison Avenue Bridge of Harlem river.....	George W. Rosevelt. } James Cummings.... }	\$5,173 00
" 30	Michael Egan.....	Sewer and appurtenances in One Hundred and Fortieth street, between North Third and Alexander avenues, with a branch in Alexander avenue, between One Hundred and Fortieth and One Hundred and Forty-first streets.....	Charles Jones..... } Samuel J. Jones..... }	2,356 32
" 31	Thomas H. Casey.....	Sewer and appurtenances in Westchester avenue, East One Hundred and Fiftieth street, between Brook and Courtland avenues, with branches in North Third avenue, Bergen avenue, between East One Hundred and Forty-ninth street and Westchester avenue.....	M. Casey..... } J. McLoughlin..... }	13,496 40
Aug. 21	James Brady.....	Erection of a refreshment house at Mount St. Vincent, Central Park.....	Charles Welde..... } Thomas O'Reilly..... }	29,740 00
Sept. 3	Central Bridge Works	Repairing fixed spans on McComb's Dam Bridge.....	Elihu Root..... } Henry Kennedy..... }	26,718 03
" 6	William F. Croft.....	Sewer and appurtenances in One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, between Mill Brook and Courtland avenues with a branch in Bergen avenue, between One Hundred and Forty-eighth and One Hundred and Forty-ninth streets.....	John McQuade..... } Peter McGinness..... }	7,965 50
" 27	Charles Jones.....	Constructing wall for seven octagonal bays and four entrances to Morningside Park, adjoining Morningside avenue.....	Michael Brennan..... } John McLoughlin..... }	53,500 00

Statement Bills, Pay-rolls and Cash sent to Finance Department during the Quarter.

Bills.....	\$195,703 91
Pay-rolls.....	196,610 90
Cash.....	4,554 19

By order of the Department of Public Parks.

S. H. WALES, President D. P. P.

E. P. BARKER, Secretary.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK, }
MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,
FRIDAY, December 14, 1883—11 o'clock A. M. }

The Board met in pursuance of an adjournment.

Present—All the members, viz.:

Franklin Edson, the Mayor; S. Hastings Grant, the Comptroller; John Reilly, the President of the Board of Aldermen; Thomas B. Asten, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments.

The minutes of the meeting held December 13, 1883, were read and approved.

By unanimous consent, the Chairman fixed Wednesday, December 19, as the date to hear the Committee of the Council of Reform, relative to the Final Estimate for 1884.

The Comptroller offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) be and is hereby transferred from the appropriation made to the Department of Public Works, for "Public Drinking Hydrants," 1883, which is in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation made to the same Department for "Repairing and Renewal of Pipes, Stop-cocks, etc.," 1883, which is insufficient.

Resolved, That the sum of five thousand five hundred dollars (\$5,500) be and is hereby transferred from the appropriation made to the Department of Public Works for "Construction and Maintenance of Four New Public Baths," 1883, which is in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the following appropriations made to the same Department, viz.:

"Salaries, Department of Public Works—For Repairing and Renewal of Pipes, Stop-cocks, etc.," 1883.....	\$2,000 00
"Supplies for and Cleaning Public Offices," 1883.....	3,000 00
"Contingencies—Department of Public Works," 1883.....	500 00

Total..... \$5,500 00

—which are insufficient.

Which were adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—3.

The Comptroller presented the following:

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, December 13, 1883.

To the Honorable the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—I respectfully request that the sum of one thousand and thirty-four dollars be transferred from the appropriation "Salaries—Law Department," 1883, "Office of Counsel to the Corporation—Salaries of Assistants, Clerks and Messengers," the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation of "Contingencies—Law Department," 1883, the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

Respectfully yours,

GEORGE P. ANDREWS, Counsel to the Corporation.

Which was received and referred to the Comptroller.

On motion, the Board proceeded to the consideration of the Final Estimate for 1884.

The Estimate for the Department of Public Charities was taken up for consideration. Mr. H. H. Porter, President of the said Department, appeared before the Board and made a statement relative thereto, and presented a statement showing the amounts now paid for salaries, and the amounts asked for salaries for 1884.

The Estimate for the Police Department was then taken up for consideration.

Messrs. French, Nichols and Mathews, Commissioners of Police, appeared before the Board and made statements relative thereto.

By unanimous consent, the rule adopted at meeting held January 10, 1883, relating to calls of meetings, was suspended, in order to act upon the following resolutions:

Whereupon the Comptroller presented the following:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, December 6, 1883.

To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of this Board, held October 23, 1883, a communication was presented from George W. Morton, requesting that a sufficient sum be set aside from the Excise Funds to pay a bill of \$4,148.38, for moneys expended and paid by him for legal services incurred during his term of office as Commissioner of Excise of the City of New York.

The Comptroller was requested to obtain the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation relative to the claim of Commissioner Morton, which has been received and is herewith presented, together with a resolution authorizing the payment of the amount claimed, in conformity with said opinion, for the consideration of the Board.

Respectfully,

S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller.

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, December 4, 1883.

Hon. S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller of the City of New York:

SIR.—I have received your letter of the 24th ultimo, transmitting a printed copy of a communication from George W. Morton, addressed to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, requesting that Board to set aside from the Excise Funds and amount sufficient to pay \$4,148.38, for moneys expended and paid by him for legal services and necessary expenditures in the litigation consequent upon the attempted removal of Commissioner Morton by Governor Robinson, upon charges of misconduct, or omissions of duty, in office.

The facts under which the claim has arisen are as follows:

1.—In January, 1878, George W. Morton was a Commissioner of Excise in the City of New York.

2.—On the 28th day of January, 1878, Mr. Morton was summoned to answer before the Governor, charges of negligence in office founded upon the fact that the moneys deposited with the Board of Excise had been embezzled by Owen Murphy, a member of the Commission and Treasurer of the Board, who had absconded.

3.—Pursuant to the notice, Mr. Morton appeared before the Governor and filed an answer denying the charge of neglect of duty made against him.

4.—Subsequently, on the 31st day of January, 1878, without further hearing, and without proof having been made in relation to the charges, the Governor issued an order removing Mr. Morton from his office.

5.—Mr. Morton contested the validity of the removal, claiming that the Governor had not pursued the method prescribed by the statute, in that no inquiry had been made into the truth of the charges which he had denied. No person having been appointed in Mr. Morton's place, he remained in possession of his office; proceedings of quo warranto, to contest the validity of the removal, were therefore impossible, and Mr. Morton's contention could be asserted only by a suit for his salary, in which his title to his office would be put in issue.

6.—An action was therefore brought in the Superior Court by Mr. Morton for his salary accruing subsequently to the order of the Governor; that action was defended by the city upon the ground that Mr. Morton had been removed from office.

7.—In the action, judgment was finally had in favor of Mr. Morton and adjudging the proceedings by the Governor to be void.

The expense of the litigation in question was, therefore, incurred by Mr. Morton in vindicating his title to the office of Excise Commissioner and his right to exercise the powers thereof.

In 1879, when Messrs. Morrison and Merkle, Excise Commissioners, were indicted upon the charge of misconduct in their official capacity, the expense incurred by them in defending themselves against such charge and vindicating the propriety of their official action was deemed by Mr. Whitney, then Counsel to the Corporation, a part of the necessary expenses of the Board of Excise.

In an opinion transmitted to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on December 19, 1879, he said:

"I am of the opinion that Messrs. Morrison and Merkle, having been indicted for an act done in their official capacities, had the right to employ counsel to defend them, and that the reasonable compensation of such counsel, and the necessary disbursements made by the Commissioners in conducting their defense, are to be regarded as necessary expenses of the Board of Excise, within the meaning of said statute."

It seems to me that Mr. Whitney's opinion covers the case presented by Mr. Morton, and will justify the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, in its discretion, in setting aside and appropriating from the Excise Funds the moneys required for the payment of the claim presented, or so much as may be allowed by the said Board, as a part of the expenses of the Board of Excise.

I am, sir, yours respectfully,

GEORGE P. ANDREWS, Counsel to the Corporation.

—and offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That in pursuance of the authority conferred upon the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of the City of New York, by the provisions of chapter 642, Laws of 1874, the sum of \$4,148.38, is hereby appropriated from the Excise Fund, as an additional amount necessary to pay the expenses of the Board of Excise for the year ending May 1, 1884, the said amount being required to pay the expenses of George W. Morton, late Commissioner of Excise, necessarily incurred by him in the proceedings instituted against him involving the question of his right to hold office of Commissioner of Excise after January 30, 1878, in which right he was sustained by judicial decision, as stated in the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation, dated December 4, 1883, approving of the said appropriation.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—4.

The Comptroller offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of one thousand and thirty-four dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the appropriation "Salaries—Law Department," 1883 "Office of Counsel to the Corporation—Salaries of Assistants, Clerks, and Messengers," the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation "Contingencies—Law Department," 1883, the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—4.

By unanimous consent, the Chairman fixed Monday, December 17, as the time to hear the Commissioners of the Health and Fire Departments relative to the Final Estimate.

On motion, the Board took a recess until Monday, December 17, 1883, at 11 o'clock A. M.

THOS. B. ASTEN, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

MEETINGS NOVEMBER 26 TO DECEMBER 1, 1883.

Communications Received.

From Penitentiary—List of prisoners received during week ending November 24, 1883. Males, 32; females, 7. On file.

List of 28 prisoners to be discharged from December 2 to 8, 1883. Transmitted to Prison Association.

From Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's Island—History of 9 patients received during week ending November 24, 1883. On file.

From New York City Asylum for Insane, Ward's Island—History of 8 patients received during week ending November 24, 1883. On file.

From City Prison—Amount of fines received during week ending November 24, 1883, \$274. On file.

Appointments.

November 27. John Donovan, Assistant Keeper, Morgue. Salary, \$240 per annum.

27. Amelia Kraus, Nurse, Infant's Hospital. Salary, \$180 per annum.

28. Agnes Dunne, Attendant, Lunatic Asylum. Salary, \$192 per annum.

30. Mary A. Morrison, Nurse, Infant's Hospital. Salary, \$180 per annum.

Resignations.

November 28. Mary A. Blake, Nurse, Infant's Hospital.

30. Edward Mason, Night Orderly, Bellevue Hospital.

Dismissals.

November 27. James M. Shannon, Guard, Branch Work House.

27. Bernard Martin, Guard, Branch Work House.

G. F. BRITTON, Secretary.

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.
FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor; AUGUSTUS WALSH, Chief Clerk; WILLIAM E. LUCAS, Secretary.

Mayor's Marshal's Office.

No. 1 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
GEORGE A. McDERMOTT, First Marshal.

Permit Bureau Office.

No. 13½ City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
HENRY WOLTMAN, Registrar.

COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS.

No. 1 County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
GEO. EDWIN HILL, ANDREW B. MARTIN.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSIONERS.

Room 78, Tribune Building, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.
THE MAYOR, President; JAMES W. McCULLOH, Secretary; BENJAMIN S. CHURCH, Chief Engineer.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Office of Clerk of Common Council.

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

City Library.

No. 12 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

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.

Engineer in Charge of Sewers.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
STEPHENSON TOWLE, Engineer-in-Charge.

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.
DAVID L. SMITH, Water Purveyor.

Keeper of Buildings in City Hall Park.

MARTIN J. KEES, City Hall.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

Comptroller's Office.

Nos. 19 and 20 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller; RICHARD A. STORRS, Deputy Comptroller.

Auditing Bureau.

No. 19 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WM. J. LYON, Auditor of Accounts.

Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents.

No. 5 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
ARTEMAS S. 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.
FRANCIS TOMES, Collector of City Revenue and Superintendent of Markets.
THOMAS F. DE VOE, Deputy 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 4 P. M.
Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
GEORGE P. ANDREWS, 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; JOHN J. O'BRIEN, Chief Bureau of Elections.

DEPARTMENT OF CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

Central Office.

No. 66 Third avenue, corner Eleventh street, 8.30 A. M. to 5.30 P. M.
H. H. PORTER, President; GEORGE F. BRITTON, Secretary.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Headquarters.

Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street.
CORNELIUS VAN COTT, 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, 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, Chief of Battalion-in-Charge, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.

Hospital Stables.

99th street, between 9th and 10th avenues (temporary).
JOSEPH SHEA, Superintendent of Horses.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

No. 301 Mott street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

ALEXANDER SHALER, President; EMMONS CLARK, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

No. 36 Union Square, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

SALEM H. WALES, President; 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.
146th street and 3d avenue, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

Nos. 117 and 119 Duane street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

LUCIUS J. N. STARK, President; JOHN T. CUMING, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

Staats Zeitung Building, Tryon Row, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
THOMAS B. ASTEN, President; FLOYD T. SMITH, Secretary.

Office Bureau Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes.
Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
CHARLES S. BEARDSLEY, Attorney; WILLIAM COMERFORD, Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING.

31 and 32 Park Row, "World" Building, Rooms 8 and 9, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JAMES S. COLEMAN, Commissioner; A. H. ROGERS, Deputy Commissioner; M. J. MORRISON, Chief Clerk.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS.

Office, City Hall, Room No. 11½, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN R. LYDECKER, Chairman; WM. H. JASPER, Secretary.

BOARD OF EXCISE.

Corner Bond street and Bowery, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
NICHOLAS HAUGHTON, President; BENJAMIN F. HASKIN, Secretary and Chief Clerk.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

Nos. 3 and 4 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
ALEXANDER V. DAVIDSON, Sheriff; JOEL O. STEVENS, Under Sheriff; DAVID MCGONIGAL, Order Arrest Clerk.

REGISTER'S OFFICE.

East side City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
AUGUSTUS T. DOCHARTY, Register; J. FAIRFAX, McLAUGHLIN, Deputy Register.

COMMISSIONER OF JURORS.

No. 17 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
GEORGE CAULFIELD, Commissioner; JAMES E. CONNER, Deputy Commissioner.

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE.

Nos. 7 and 8 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
PATRICK KEENAN, County Clerk; H. STEVENSON BEATTIE, Deputy County Clerk.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.

Second floor, Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WHEELER H. PECKHAM, District Attorney; HUGH DONNELLY, Chief Clerk.

THE CITY RECORD OFFICE.

And Bureau of Printing, Stationery, and Blank Books.
No. 2 City Hall, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M., except Saturdays, on which days 8 A. M. to 3 P. M.
THOMAS COSTIGAN, Supervisor; R. P. H. ABELL, Book-keeper.

CORONERS' OFFICE.

Nos. 13 and 15 Chatham street.
PHILIP MERKLE, FERDINAND LEVY, BERNARD F. MARTIN and WILLIAM H. KENNEDY, Coroners; JOHN T. TOAL, Clerk of the Board of Coroners.

SUPREME COURT.

Second floor, New County Court-house, 10½ A. M. to 3 P. M.
General Term, Room No. 9.
Special Term, Room No. 10.
Chambers, Room No. 11.
Circuit, Part I., Room No. 12.
Circuit, Part II., Room No. 13.
Circuit, Part III., Room No. 14.
Judges' Private Chambers, Room No. 15.
NOAH DAVIS, Chief Justice; PATRICK KEENAN, Clerk.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Third floor, New County Court-house, 11 A. M.
General Term, Room No. 27.
Special Term, Room No. 33.
Chambers, Room No. 33.
Part I., Room No. 34.
Part II., Room No. 35.
Part III., Room No. 36.
Judges' Private Chambers, Room No. 30.
Naturalization Bureau, Room No. 32.
Clerk's Office, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M., Room No. 31.
JOHN SEDGWICK, Chief Judge; THOMAS BOESE, Chief Clerk.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

Third floor, New County Court-house, 11 A. M.
Clerk's Office, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M., Room No. 22.
General Term, Room No. 24.
Special Term, Room No. 21.
Chambers, Room No. 21.
Part I., Room No. 25.
Part II., Room No. 26.
Part III., Room No. 27.
Naturalization Bureau, Room No. 23.
CHARLES P. DALY, Chief Justice; NATHANIEL JARVIS, Jr., Chief Clerk.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

No. 32 Chambers street. Parts I. and II.
FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder, Presiding Judge of the General Sessions; HENRY A. GILDERSLIEVE and RUFUS B. COWING, Judges.
Terms, first Monday each month.
JOHN SPARKS, Clerk.

CITY COURT.—CITY HALL.

General Term, Room No. 20.
Trial Term, Part I., Room No. 20.
Part II., Room No. 19.
Part III., Room No. 15.
Special Term, Chambers, Room No. 21, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Clerk's Office, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M., Room No. 10, City Hall.
GEORGE SHEA, Chief Justice; JOHN SAVAGE, Chief Clerk.

JURORS.

NOTICE
IN RELATION TO JURORS FOR STATE COURTS.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF JURORS,
NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE,
NEW YORK, June 1, 1883.

APPLICATIONS FOR EXEMPTIONS WILL BE heard here, from 10 to 3 o'clock, from all persons hitherto liable or recently serving who have become exempt, an all needed information will be given.

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 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.

GEORGE CAULFIELD,
Commissioner of Jurors,
Room 17, New County Court-house

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
CITY OF NEW YORK, December 13, 1883.

NOTICE TO CITIZENS AND TAXPAYERS.

AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ESTIMATE and Apportionment, held this day, it was Resolved, That notice be given to citizens and taxpayers that the Board would meet from day to day, at the Mayor's office, to hear them relative to the Final Estimate for 1884.

CHAS. V. ADEE, Clerk.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

CITY OF NEW YORK,
FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
December 5, 1883.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 216 OF THE "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882," the Comptroller of the City of New York hereby gives public notice to all persons, owners of property affected by the following assessment lists, viz.:

Fortieth street sewer, between Tenth avenue and Hudson river.

Forty-fourth and Forty-fifth streets sewer extension at Hudson river.

Seventy-first street regulating, etc., from Boulevard to Eleventh avenue.

Seventy-fifth street regulating, etc., from Tenth avenue to Riverside Drive.

Seventy-second street sewer, between Avenue A and First avenue.

Seventy-fifth street sewer, between West End avenue and Boulevard.

Seventy-eighth street sewer, between Tenth avenue and Boulevard.

Sixty-ninth street paving, from First avenue to Avenue A.

Seventieth street paving, from Boulevard to Eleventh avenue.

One Hundred and Eighteenth street paving, from Third to Fourth avenue.

One Hundred and Twenty-second street paving, from Third to Fourth avenue.

One Hundred and Twenty-second street paving, from Sixth to Seventh avenue.

Avenue A, fencing lots, east side, between Ninety-second and Ninety-third streets.

Fourth avenue, fencing lots, southeast corner of One Hundred and Eighteenth street.

which were confirmed by the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments, November 30, 1883, and entered on the same date in the Record of Titles of Assessments, kept in the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments, and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments, and of Water Rents," 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 the assessments, interest will be collected thereon as provided in section 917 of said "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882."

Section 917 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 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 Arrears of Taxes and Assessments, and of Water Rents," between the hours of 9 A. M. and 4 P. M., and all payments made thereon, on or before February 7, 1884, 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 cent. per annum from the date of entry in the Record of Titles of Assessments in said Bureau to the date of payment.

S. HASTINGS GRANT,
Comptroller.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

THE RECEIVER OF TAXES OF THE CITY OF New York hereby gives notice to all persons who have omitted to pay their taxes for the year 1883, to pay the same to him at his office on or before the first day of January, 1884, as provided by section 846 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882.

Upon any such tax remaining unpaid on the first day of December, 1883, one per centum will be charged, received and collected in addition to the amount thereof; and upon such tax remaining unpaid on the first day of January, 1884, interest will be charged, received and collected upon the amount thereof at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated from the first day of October, 1883, on which day the Assessment Rolls and Warrants for the taxes of 1883 were delivered to the said Receiver of Taxes to the date of payment, pursuant to section 845 of the said act.

MARTIN T. McMAHON,
Receiver of Taxes.

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 1853 to 1883, prepared under the direction of the Commissioners of Records.

Grants, grantees, suits in equity, insolvents' and Sheriff's sales, in 61 volumes, full bound, price \$100 00
The same in 25 volumes, half bound, price 50 00
Complete sets, folded, ready for binding, price 15 00
Records of Judgments, 25 volumes, bound, price 10 00
Orders should be addressed to "Mr. Stephen Angell, Comptroller's Office, New County Court-house."

S. HASTINGS GRANT,
Comptroller.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,
NEW YORK, December 5, 1883.

TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING THE materials and labor, and doing the work required for constructing a house for the Fire Department, to be erected on Riverdale avenue, for Engine Company No. 52, will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head 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., Tuesday, December 18, 1883, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read.

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

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 house to be completed and delivered in one hundred and sixty (160) days after the date of the contract.

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 ten (\$10) dollars per day.

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.

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 of 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 in the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000); and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they will 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 this 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 before the award is made and prior to the signing of the contract.

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 four hundred dollars (\$400). Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the Estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. 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 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.

Should the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded neglect or refuse to accept the contract within five days after written notice that the same has been awarded to his or their bid or proposal, or if he or they accept but do not execute the contract and give the proper security, he or they shall be considered as having abandoned it, and as in default to the Corporation, and the contract will be readvertised and relet, as provided by law.

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

The form of the agreement and specifications and drawings, and showing the manner of payment for the work, may be seen and forms of proposals may be obtained at the office of the Department.

CORNELIUS VAN COTT,
HENRY D. PURROY,
RICHARD CROKER,
Commissioners.

HEADQUARTERS
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,
NEW YORK, Nov. 21, 1883.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Board of Commissioners of this Department will meet daily, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the transaction of business.

By order of
CORNELIUS VAN COTT, President.
HENRY D. PURROY,
RICHARD CROKER,
Commissioners.

CARL JUSSEN,
Secretary

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 31 CHAMBERS ST.,
NEW YORK, November 19, 1883.

TO THE PUBLIC.

AT 9:30 P. M. ON THURSDAY THE 15TH instant, the aqueduct had to be shut off to repair a large leak that could not be repaired in the usual manner from the exterior. This leak had suddenly developed in the section south of Yonkers, where smaller fissures had previously occurred.

The examination showed fissures aggregating 2,000 feet in length. The repairs were finished and water was again turned on by 4 P. M., on Saturday, the 17th instant.

While the flow through the aqueduct was interrupted the supply in the Central Park reservoir was drawn down five feet.

This loss of supply in the city reservoirs, occurring now, as winter is approaching, makes it necessary to take extra precautions against waste of water. Being aware of the temptation to leave faucets open in cold weather to prevent freezing in the pipes, I specially protest against that practice, and appeal to all citizens to abstain from wasteful use of water in any manner whatever. The present condition of the supply and the possibility of a recurrence of similar leaks in the aqueduct make it my duty to give this public notice that I shall hereinafter resort to the peremptory measure of shutting off the water in all places where persistent waste is discovered.

HUBERT O. THOMPSON,
Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
No. 31 CHAMBERS STREET,
NEW YORK, Nov. 1, 1883.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO property-owners of the City of New York that, by the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, among other matters relating to Croton water rates and affecting all properties liable for Croton water charges, is embraced the following, in "Title 2, Duties and Powers of the Department of Public Works as to Procuring and Distributing Water":

§ 350. The Commissioner of Public Works shall, from time to time, establish scales of rents. * * * * *

Such rents shall be collected from the owners or occupants of all such buildings, respectively, which shall be situated upon lots adjoining any street or avenue in said city in which the distributing water-pipes are or may be laid, and from which they can be supplied with water, said rents shall be made a charge and lien upon such houses and lots, respectively, as provided by law.

It becomes my duty to state that on and after the first day of March, 1884, all extra charges, such as steam-engines, bakeries, barbers, bathing-tubs, boarding-houses, boarding-schools, building purposes, horses, horse-troughs, hotels, porter-houses, taverns, etc., printing offices, stone cutting or dressing, slaughter-houses, dyeing, water-closets and urinals, laundries, restaurants, soda fountains, extra families, oyster and coffee saloons, water by meter measurement, meters and meter setting, and all other purposes for which the use of Croton water is chargeable according to law, are liens, and unless paid on or before the 31st day of April next must be returned to the Clerk of Arrears with the amount due on each lot.

HUBERT O. THOMPSON,
Commissioner of Public Works.

THE CITY RECORD.

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE.

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR GROCERIES AND DRY GOODS.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING

GROCERIES, ETC.

30,000 Fresh Eggs (all to be candled).
2,000 pounds Butter, sample on exhibition Friday, December 2, 1883.

200 bags Bran 50 pounds each).

250 bushels Oats.

100 bags (100 pounds each, Coarse Meal.

100 bags (100 pounds each) Fine Meal.

50 bales prime quality Timothy Hay.

DRY GOODS.

1,000 yards Canton Flannel.

—or any part thereof, will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities and Correction, in the City of New York, until 9:30 o'clock A. M., of Saturday, Dec. 22, 1883. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Groceries or Dry Goods," and with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President of said Department, and read.

THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS OR ESTIMATES IF DEEMED TO BE FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 419, CHAPTER 419, LAWS OF 1882.

No bid or estimate will be accepted from, or a 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.

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

Delivery will be required to be made from time to time, and in such quantities as may be directed by the said Commissioners.

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect; and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, each in the penal amount of fifty (50) per cent. of the ESTIMATED amount of the contract.

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; also 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 to 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 this 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 section 12 of chapter 7 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of New York, if the contract shall be awarded to the person or persons for whom he consents to become surety. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered is to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.

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. Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimates, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the Estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. 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 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.

Should the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded neglect or refuse to accept the contract within five days after written notice that the same has been awarded to his or their bid or proposal, or if he or they accept, but do not execute the contract and give the proper security, he or they shall be considered as having abandoned it, and as in default to the Corporation; and the contract will be readvertised and relet as provided by law.

The quality of the articles, supplies, goods, wares, and merchandise must conform in every respect to the samples of the same respectively at the office of the said Department. Bidders are cautioned to examine the specifications for particulars of the articles, etc., required, before making their estimates.

Bidders will state the prices for each article, by which the bids will be tested.

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

Payment will be made by a requisition on the Comptroller, issued on the completion of the contract or from time to time, as the Commissioners may determine.

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the specifications will be allowed, unless under the written instruction of the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction.

The form of the agreement, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, can be obtained at the office of the Department.

Dated New York, December 11, 1883.

HENRY H. PORTER,
THOMAS S. BRENNAN,
JACOB HESS,
Commissioners of the Department of Public Charities and Correction.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE.

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR WHITE ASH COAL.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING

920 tons best White Ash Coal, well screened and in good order, each ton to contain 2,240 pounds,

—will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities and Correction, in the City of New York, until 9:30 o'clock A. M., of Saturday, December 22, 1883. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for White Ash Coal," and with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the

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.

Should the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded neglect or refuse to accept the contract within five days after written notice that the same has been awarded to him or their bid or proposal, or if he or they accept, but do not execute the contract and give the proper security, he or they shall be considered as having abandoned it, and as in default to the Corporation; and the contract will be readvertised and relet as provided by law.

The quality of the articles, supplies, goods, wares, and merchandise must conform in every respect to the samples of the same respectively at the office of the said Department. Bidders are cautioned to examine the specifications for particulars of the Fresh Meat required, before making their estimates.

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

Payment will be made by a requisition on the Comptroller, issued from time to time, in accordance with the terms of the contract, as the Commissioners may determine.

The form of the contract, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, can be obtained at the office of the Department, and bidders are especially cautioned to examine each and all of its provisions carefully, as the Board of Public Charities and Correction will insist upon its absolute enforcement in every particular.

Dated New York, December 11, 1883.
HENRY H. PORTER,
THOMAS S. BRENNAN,
JACOB HESS,
Commissioners of the Department of Public Charities and Correction.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE.

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR POULTRY.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING About 15,000 pounds of Poultry, for use on Christmas Day.

—or any part thereof, will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities and Correction, in the City of New York, until 3.30 o'clock A. M., of Friday, the 21st day of December, 1883. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Poultry," and with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read.

The Department of Public Charities and Correction reserves the right to decline any and all bids or estimates if deemed to be for the public interest, and to accept any bid or estimate as a whole, or for any one or more articles included therein. No bid or estimate will be accepted from, or a 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.

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

Delivery will be required to be made on Monday, December 24, before 7 o'clock A. M.

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect; and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, in the penal sum of fifty (50) per cent. of the estimated amount of the contract.

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 this 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 section 27 of chapter 8 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of New York, if the contract shall be awarded to the person or persons for whom he consents to become surety. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered is to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.

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. Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the Estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. 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.

Should the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded neglect or refuse to accept the contract within five days after written notice that the same has been awarded to him or their bid or proposal, or if he or they accept, but do not execute the contract and give the proper security, he or they shall be considered as having abandoned it and as in default to the Corporation, and the contract will be readvertised and relet as provided by law.

Bidders are cautioned to examine the specifications for particulars of the articles, etc., required, before making their estimates.

Bidders will state the prices for each article, by which the bids will be tested.

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

Payment will be made by a requisition on the Comptroller, issued on the completion of the contract, or from time to time, as the Commissioners may determine.

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the specifications will be allowed, unless under the written instruction of the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction.

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION RESERVES THE RIGHT TO DECLINE ANY AND ALL BIDS OR ESTIMATES, AS PROVIDED BY SECTION 64, CHAPTER 410, LAWS OF 1882, IF DEEMED TO BE FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST, AND TO ACCEPT ANY BID OR ESTIMATE AS A WHOLE, OR FOR ANY ONE OR MORE ARTICLES INCLUDED THEREIN.

No bid or estimate will be accepted from, or a 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.

The form of the agreement, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment can be obtained at the office of the Department.

Dated New York, December 10, 1883.
HENRY H. PORTER,
THOMAS S. BRENNAN,
JACOB HESS,
Commissioners of the Department of Public Charities and Correction.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK,
OFFICE OF THE PROPERTY CLERK (Room No. 39),
No. 300 MULBERRY STREET,
NEW YORK, 1883.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY Clerk of the Police Department of the City of New York, No. 300 Mulberry street, Room No. 39, for the following property, now in his custody, without claimants: Boats, rope, iron, lead, male and female clothing, boots, shoes, wine, blankets, diamonds, canned goods, liquors, etc., also small amount money taken from prisoners and found by patrolmen of this Department.
JOHN F. HARRIOT,
Property Clerk

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS,
Nos. 117 AND 119 DUANE STREET.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE PUBLIC, and especially of those using the Wharf Property of the City of New York, the following extracts from the rules and regulations established for the guidance of the Dock Masters appointed by the Board governing this Department, and to be observed by them in the performance of their duties, are hereby promulgated and published:

Resolved, For the proper supervision of the waterfront of the city, the care of the wharf property located thereon placed in the charge of this Department, the rendering of necessary facilities for the prompt berthing of vessels thereat, and the collection of the wharfage accruing therefrom, that the water-front of the City of New York be and hereby is arranged and divided into nine districts, and that for each of the said districts there shall be appointed, designated, or assigned, from time to time, at the pleasure of the Board, a suitable and competent person to be known and entitled as "Dock Master," who shall perform such duties and render such services in relation to the supervision, regulation, and occupation of the wharf property and water-front in their respective districts, as the laws of the United States and of the State of New York, the ordinances of the City of New York, and the by-laws of this Board, and its rules, or orders, shall or may require, prescribe, or direct.

The several districts so made and created, and the Dock Masters assigned thereto, are as follows, to wit:

District No. 1.—Embracing all that portion of the East river, extending from Castle Garden, on the Battery, and including Pier 21, East river.

Charles H. Thompson, Dock Master; office, 33 Coenties Slip.

District No. 2.—All that portion of the North river extending from Castle Garden, to a d including Pier old 42, North river.

George W. Wamaker, Dock Master; office, foot of Duane street, N. R.

District No. 3.—From east side Pier 21, East river, to and including Pier 3, East river.

Edward Abeel, Dock Master; office, 262 South street.

District No. 4.—From north side Pier old 42, North river, to and including pier at foot of West Twenty-third street, North river.

John M. Smith, Dock Master; office, Pier, new 43, N. R.

District No. 5.—From north side Pier 55, East river, to north side of Thirty-fourth street, East river.

Bernard Kenney, Dock Master; office, foot of East Sixteenth street, E. R.

District No. 6.—From north side Pier at Twenty-third street, North river, to and including Pier at foot Fifty-ninth street, North river.

Edward Gilon, Dock Master; office, Pier, new 57, N. R.

District No. 7.—From north side of Thirty-fourth street, East river, to south side of Ninety-second street, East river.

Robert Hall, Dockmaster; office, 645 First avenue.

District No. 8.—From north side of Pier at Fifty-ninth street, North river, to Yonkers and Spuyten Duyvil Creek, from North river to Kingsbridge.

Theodore S. Croft, Dockmaster; office, foot of West Seventy-ninth street, N. R.

District No. 9.—From south side Ninety-second street, East river, to and including Bronx river, and also Harlem river, from East river to Kingsbridge.

John Callan, Dockmaster; office, foot of East One Hundred and Fourth street, Harlem river.

Resolved, That until otherwise ordered by this Board the following rules and instructions are issued for the guidance and observance of the several Dock Masters of the Department:

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Each Dock Master shall promptly designate and assign in the order in which application is made, suitable and convenient berths, so far as practicable, within the limits of his district, for the use of such vessel and water craft as may require the same for the reception or discharge of passengers, merchandise, etc., therefrom or for the necessary repair or the safety of any vessel or water craft.

It shall be the duty of each Dock Master to require and enforce the due observance of and compliance with such of the national and State laws, city ordinances, and the rules, regulations and orders of the Department of Docks as appertain to the use, care, and custody of the wharf property of and about the City of New York, promptly reporting to the Board all violations and evasions of such laws, ordinances, rules, regulations and orders.

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Each Dock Master is expressly prohibited, under penalty of immediate dismissal from his position, from receiving or demanding, directly or indirectly, any fee, gratuity, compensation, or article of value of any nature or kind, for the assignment of a berth to a vessel at any pier, slip, or wharf property whatsoever, or for the performance of or the omission to perform any of the duties required of or pertaining to the position of Dock Master of this Department.

Any person or persons having any cause of complaint against the Dock Masters for any failure or omission in the performance of the duties as required by the above rules, are requested to promptly communicate the same to this Board, at their offices, Nos. 117 and 119 Duane street.

By order of the Board,
LUCIUS J. N. STARK,
WILLIAM LAIMEER,
JOHN R. VOORHIS,
Commissioners of the Department of Docks.
JOHN T. CUMING, Secretary.
New York, December 1, 1883.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT—OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,
No. 301 MOTT STREET,
NEW YORK, Dec. 3, 1883.

PROPOSALS FOR AN ADMINISTRATION BUILDING ON NORTH BROTHER ISLAND, CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

PROPOSALS, SEALED AND INDORSED AS herein required, will be received by the Commissioners of the Health Department, at their office, No. 301 Mott street, until 2.30 o'clock P. M. of the 18th day of December, 1883, at which time they will be publicly opened and read by said Commissioners for the erection of an Administration Building on North Brother Island, City and County of New York.

The proposals must be addressed to the Board of Health of the Health Department of the City of New York, be indorsed "Proposals for the erection of an Administration Building on North Brother Island, City and County of New York," and must contain the name and address of the parties making the same.

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect; and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, in the penal sum of fifty (50) per cent. of the estimated amount of the contract.

Bidders are required to submit their estimates upon the following express conditions, which shall apply to and become part of every estimate received:

1st. Bidders must satisfy themselves by personal examination of the location of the proposed work, and by such other means as they may prefer, as to the accuracy of the estimate, and shall not, at any time after the submission of an estimate, dispute or complain of the statement of quantities, nor assert that there was any misunderstanding in regard to the nature or amount of the work to be done.

2d. Bidders will be required to complete the entire work to the satisfaction of the Health Department, and in substantial accordance with the specifications of the contract and the plans therein referred to. No extra compensation beyond the amount payable for both classes of work before mentioned, which shall be actually performed, at the prices therefore to be specified by the lowest bidder, shall be due or payable for the entire work.

Bidders will state in their estimates a price for the whole of the work to be done, in conformity with the approved form of contract and the specifications therein set forth, by which price the bids will be tested. This price is to cover all expenses of every kind involved in or incidental to the fulfillment of the contract, including any claim that may arise through delay, from any cause, in the performing of the work thereunder.

Bidders will distinctly write out, both in words and in figures, the amount of their estimates for doing this work. The person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to attend at this office with the sureties offered by him or them, and execute the contract within five days from the date of the service of a notice to that effect; and in case of failure or neglect so to do, he or they will be considered as having abandoned it, and as in default to the Corporation, and the contract will be readvertised and relet, and so on until it be accepted and executed.

Bidders are required to state in their proposals their names and places of residence, the names of all persons interested therein, and if no other person be so interested, the estimate shall distinctly state the fact; also that the estimate is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same work, and that it is in all respects fair, and without collusion or fraud; and also 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; which estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party 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 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 or persons making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his or their sureties for its faithful performance; and that if said person or persons shall omit or refuse to execute the contract, they will pay to the Corporation of the City of New York any difference between the sum to which said person or persons would be entitled on its completion, and that which said Corporation or the Health Department may be obliged to pay to the person 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 to be done 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, after the award is made and prior to the signing of the contract.

No estimate will be received or 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. Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the Estimate Box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk, and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned by the Comptroller 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 by the Comptroller.

No estimate will be accepted from, or a 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.

Bidders are requested, in making their bids or estimates, to use the blank prepared for that purpose by the Department, a copy of which, together with the form of the agreement, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment for the work, can be obtained upon application therefor at the office of the Department.

The Department reserves the right to reject any or all proposals not deemed beneficial to or for the public interest. Plans may be examined and specifications and blank proposals obtained by application to the Secretary of the Board, at his office, 301 Mott street, New York.

ALEXANDER SHALER,
WOLSEY JOHNSON,
WILLIAM M. SMITH,
STEPHEN B. FRENCH,
Commissioners.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE,
Room 78, TRIBUNE BUILDING,
NEW YORK, December 3, 1883.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

IN CONFORMITY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS of section 2, chapter 490, LAWS OF 1883 of the State of New York, public notice is hereby given to all persons interested that full opportunity will be afforded them to be heard, in relation to the plan or plans for the construction of a dam upon the Croton river, known as the "Quaker Bridge dam," and for the construction of a new aqueduct commencing at a point near the proposed site of the said "Quaker Bridge dam," and running thence southerly to the Harlem river; the proposed route of said aqueduct being a modification of the line heretofore known as the "Hudson river route," and diverging therefrom above the village of Sing Sing, in the town of Ossining, in Westchester County, and running thence southeasterly into and across the valley of the Pocantico river; thence southeasterly into the Saw Mill river valley, near the town of Dublin; thence south-ly along said Saw Mill river valley to a point near South Yonkers, and there intersecting the line of the Hudson river route, and thence following the same to the Harlem river; also in relation to a plan proposed for constructing the said new aqueduct from a point near and above the present Croton dam—instead of from the "Quaker Bridge dam,"—and running thence southwesterly along the line of Indian brook, and southerly to a point of intersection with the above described modified route upon the land of the estate of Coop, at Maurice avenue, near the village of Sing Sing; and thence following said modified route southerly to the Harlem river; all the above plans being shown upon maps and profiles now in this office.

Said public hearing to be at the office of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Room No. 78, Tribune Building, in the City of New York, on WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1883, at 3 o'clock P. M., and upon subsequent days and times thereafter to which said hearing may be adjourned, until concluded.

And the public hearing in relation to the plans for that part of the above described modified route from the Harlem river to the above-named point of intersection near Maurice avenue, at Sing Sing, WILL BE CLOSED at the meeting ON FRIDAY NEXT, the 7th instant.

By order of the Aqueduct Commissioners.

JAMES W. McCULLOH,
Secretary

SUPREME COURT.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Works for and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of One Hundred and Fourth street, between the Boulevard and Riverside avenue, in the City of New York.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMISSIONERS of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants, of all houses and lots and improved or unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First.—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in these proceedings, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to us at our office, No. 73 William street (third floor), in the said city, on or before the 14th day of January, 1884, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said 14th day of January, 1884, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days at 2½ o'clock P. M.

Second.—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, in the City of New York, there to remain until the 10th day of January, 1884.

Third.—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid, are as follows, to wit: All those lots, pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together and abounded northerly by the centre line of the blocks between One Hundred and Fourth and One Hundred and Fifth streets, easterly by the westerly side of the Boulevard, southerly by the centre line of the blocks between One Hundred and Fourth and One Hundred and Third streets, and westerly by the easterly side of Riverside avenue, excepting therefrom all the land lying in the streets or avenues within said area.

Fourth.—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term thereof, to be held at the Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the first day of February, 1884, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, December 5, 1883.

ISAAC T. BROWN,
ROWLAND M. STÖVER,
PATRICK DALY,
Commissioners.

ARTHUR BERRY, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks for and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring right of way over, under and through certain lands for the purpose of the construction of drains, as directed by the Board of Health of the Health Department of the City of New York, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 300 of the Laws of 1880.

MILL BROOK DRAINS.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMISSIONERS of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants, of all houses and lots and improved or unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First.—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in these proceedings, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to us at the office of our chairman, Samuel R. Filley, 76 Wall street, Room No. 11, in the said city, on or before the twenty-seventh day of December, 1883, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the two week-days next after the said twenty-seventh day of December, 1883, and for that purpose will be in attendance at said office on each of said two days, at two o'clock P. M.

Second.—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, in the City of New York, there to remain until the fourteenth day of January, 1884.

Third.—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All those lots, pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together, are bounded as follows, viz.: northerly by Westchester avenue, easterly by Brook avenue, southerly by One Hundred and Fortieth street, westerly and northwesterly by Willis avenue and Bergen avenue; excepting therefrom all the lands lying in the streets and avenues within said bounds.

Fourth.—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a special term thereof, to be held at the Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the eighteenth day of January, 1884, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated, New York, December 3, 1883.

SAMUEL R. FILLEY,
GEORGE H. FORSTER,
FORDHAM MORRIS,
Commissioners.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Works, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Community of the City of New York, relative to the opening of One Hundred and Forty-sixth street, between Avenue St. Nicholas and Tenth avenue, in the City of New York.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMISSIONERS of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants, of all houses and lots and improved or unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First.—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in these proceedings, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to us at our office, No. 73 William street (third floor), in the said city, on or before the eighth day of January, 1884, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said eighth day of January, 1884, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days, at 2½ o'clock P. M.

Second.—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, in the City of New York, there to remain until the tenth day of January, 1884.

Third.—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All those lots, pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in the City of New York, and bounded on the north by the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Forty-sixth street and One Hundred and Forty-seventh street, and on the east by the westerly line of Avenue St. Nicholas, and on the south by the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Forty-sixth street and One Hundred and Forty-fifth street, and on the west by the easterly line of Tenth avenue; excepting therefrom all the land within the limits of One Hundred and Forty-sixth street.

Fourth.—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a special term thereof, to be held at the Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the eighteenth day of January, 1884, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated, New York, November 27, 1883.

GEORGE W. McLEAN,
THOMAS DUNLAP,
MANFRED COMPTON,
Commissioners.

ARTHUR BERRY, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Community of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title to that certain street or avenue called Riverdale avenue, although not yet named by proper authority, from Broadway to Bailey avenue, in the Twenty-third Ward in the City of New York.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMISSIONERS of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots and improved or unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First.—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in these proceedings, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to us at our office, No. 73 William street (third floor), in the said city, on or before the seventh day of December, 1883, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said seventh day of December, 1883, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days, at 2½ o'clock P. M.

Second.—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the Office of the Department of Public Works, in the City of New York, there to remain until the tenth day of December, 1883.

Third.—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All those lots, pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being upon the northerly and southerly sides of Riverdale avenue, and within the distance of one hundred feet therefrom, extending from Bailey avenue to Broadway; also all those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land situate upon the northerly and southerly sides of a certain new street or avenue, and within the distance of one hundred feet therefrom, said street or avenue being almost a continuation of Riverdale avenue in a westerly direction, extending westerly from Broadway for a distance of about eleven hundred and forty-four feet, two inches; also all those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land situated upon the easterly and westerly sides of Ackerman street and Church street, and within a distance of one hundred feet therefrom; also all those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land situated on the southerly side of a certain new street or avenue, and within the distance of one hundred feet therefrom, between Broadway and Ackerman street, and which said new street or avenue is situated about ten hundred and seventy feet north of the aforesaid first-mentioned street or avenue; also all those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land on the easterly and westerly sides of Broadway and within a distance of one hundred feet therefrom, between the northerly side of Riverdale avenue and a point distant about one thousand feet northerly therefrom; also all those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land situate on the northerly and southerly sides of a certain street and within a distance of one hundred feet therefrom, being the first street north of Riverdale avenue and extending easterly from Broadway to Bailey avenue and to the easterly side thereof; also all those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land situate upon the easterly and westerly sides of Bailey avenue, and within a distance of one hundred feet therefrom, extending from the northerly side of said last-mentioned street to a point distant about five hundred feet south of the southerly side of Riverdale avenue; also all those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land, bounded and described as follows: commencing at a point formed by the intersection of the easterly side of Bailey avenue with the northerly side of a certain new street north of Riverdale avenue, extending from Bailey avenue to Broadway, running thence northerly for a distance of one hundred feet, thence easterly for a distance of one hundred and one feet, and thirty-seven one hundredths of a foot, thence southerly for a distance of about one hundred feet, thence westerly to the point or place of beginning, be the said several dimensions more or less.

The streets and avenues above mentioned and referred to have been laid out, established and retained by the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks under and by virtue of chapter 604 of the Laws of 1874, and other acts relative to the premises.

Fourth.—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a special term thereof, to be held at the Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the eighteenth day of January, 1884, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, October 27, 1883.

GEORGE H. FORSTER,
NEVIN W. BUTLER,
SAMUEL R. FILLEY,
Commissioners.

ARTHUR BERRY, Clerk.

In the matter of the Application of the Department of Public Works for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Community of the City of New York, relative to the opening of One Hundred and Thirty-second street, between Tenth avenue and Broadway, in the City of New York.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMISSIONERS of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants, of all houses and lots and improved or unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First.—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in these proceedings, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to us at our office, No. 73 William street, 3d floor, in the said city, on or before the 7th day of December, 1883, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said 7th day of December, 1883, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days, at 2½ o'clock P. M.

Second.—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates, and other documents, which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works in the City of New York, there to remain until the tenth day of December, 1883.

Third.—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All those lots, pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz: commencing at a point in the easterly side of Broadway, distant one hundred and four feet and nine inches northerly from a point formed by the intersection of the northerly side of One Hundred and Thirty-second street with the easterly side of Broadway; running thence easterly along the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Thirty-second street and One Hundred and Thirty-third street to the westerly side of Tenth avenue; thence southerly along the westerly side of Tenth avenue and across One Hundred and Thirty-second street to a point in the westerly side of Tenth avenue, distant ninety-nine feet and eleven inches southerly from a point formed by the intersection of the southerly side of One Hundred and Thirty-second street with the westerly side of Tenth avenue; running thence westerly along the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Thirty-second street and One Hundred and Thirty-third street to the easterly side of Broadway; thence northerly and northwesterly along the easterly side of Broadway and across One Hundred and Thirty-second street to the point or place of beginning; excepting therefrom all the land embraced within the area of said One Hundred and Thirty-second street.

Fourth.—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a special term thereof, to be held at the Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house at the City Hall in the City of New York, on the 21st day of December, 1883, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, October 27, 1883.

JOHN H. MOONEY,
JOHN BERRY,
B. CASSELL,
Commissioners.

ARTHUR BERRY, Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.

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

No. 1. Paving Lexington avenue, from Eighty-sixth to Ninety-third streets, with Belgian pavement.
No. 2. Paving One Hundred and Twenty-third street, from Second to Third avenues, with granite-blocks.
No. 3. Fencing vacant lots south side of One Hundred and Fourteenth street, commencing 70 feet west of Second avenue.

No. 4. Receiving-basin and sewer connection at north-east corner of Rider avenue and East One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street.

The limit embraced by such assessments includes all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land situated on—

No. 1. Both sides of Lexington avenue, from Eighty-sixth to Ninety-third street, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 2. Both sides of One Hundred and Twenty-third street, from Second to Third avenue, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 3. South side of One Hundred and Fourteenth street, between Second and Third avenues.

No. 4. North side of One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, between Third avenue and Mott Haven canal.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections in writing to the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 11½ City Hall, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

The above-described lists will be transmitted, as provided by law, to the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments for confirmation, on the 7th January, 1884.

JOHN R. LYDECKER,
JOHN W. JACOBUS,
JOHN MULLALLY,
HENRY A. GUMBLETON,
Board of Assessors.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS,
No. 11½ CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, DEC. 4, 1883.

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

No. 1. Constructing sewers and appurtenances in Mott avenue, from the Spuyten Duyvil and Port Morris Railroad to One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, and in One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street and One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, from Mott avenue to the Ice Pond brook in the Twenty-third Ward.

No. 2. Regulating, grading, curb, gutter, and flagging Seventy-first street, between Fifth avenue and the East river.

No. 3. Constructing sewer and appurtenances in One Hundred and Forty-second street, from Alexander avenue to Brook avenue, with branches in Alexander and Willis avenues.

No. 4. Regulating, grading, setting curb, and flagging One Hundred and Fifty-second street, from St. Nicholas to Ninth avenue.

No. 5. Regulating, grading, setting curb, and flagging

One Hundred and Fifty-third street, from St. Nicholas to Ninth avenue.

No. 6. Paving Ninety-fifth street, from Third to Lexington avenue, with Belgian-block pavement.

No. 7. Paving intersection of Eighty-first street and Ninth avenue with granite-block pavement.

No. 8. Laying Curbwalks in the intersections of Lexington avenue, One Hundred and Fifth and One Hundred and Sixth streets.

No. 9. Paving Avenue A, from Fifty-fourth to Fifty-seventh street, with granite-block pavement.

No. 10. Sewer and appurtenances in East One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street, from Third avenue to summit east of Willis avenue, with branches in Lincoln, Alexander and Willis avenues.

No. 11. Sewer and appurtenances in One Hundred and Forty-first street, from Third to Alexander avenue, with branch in Alexander avenue.

No. 12. Regulating, grading, setting curb and flagging One Hundred and Fifty-third street, from Tenth avenue to the Boulevard.

No. 13. Paving Madison avenue, from One Hundred and Tenth to One Hundred and Sixteenth street, with granite-block pavement.

No. 14. Paving Sixty-seventh street, from Boulevard to Tenth avenue, with Belgian pavement.

No. 15. Paving One Hundred and Thirtieth street, between Sixth and Eighth avenues, with trap-block pavement.

No. 16. Paving One Hundred and Twenty-third street, between First and Second avenues, with trap-block pavement.

No. 17. Paving Ninety-ninth street, from Third avenue to Exterior street, with trap and granite pavement.

No. 18. Setting curb-stones and flagging Lexington avenue, from north curb of Ninety-sixth street to south curb of Ninety-seventh street.

No. 19. Paving Fourth avenue, from Seventy-second to Ninety-sixth street, with granite-block pavement and with concrete foundation.

No. 20. Sewer in West End avenue, between Ninety-first and Ninety-sixth streets, and in Ninety-third street, between West End avenue and Boulevard.

No. 21. Paving Lexington avenue, from north side of Ninety-third street to north side of Ninety-fourth street, and laying crosswalk Lexington avenue on south side of Ninety-fourth street.

No. 22. Paving Sixty-eighth street, from Avenue A to First avenue, with trap-block pavement.

No. 23. Sewer in Tenth avenue, east side, between One Hundred and Twenty-eighth and One Hundred and Thirtieth streets.

No. 24. Sewers in Twenty-fourth, Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth streets, between Eleventh and Thirteenth avenues, and in Thirteenth avenue, between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-seventh streets, with alterations and improvements to existing sewers.

No. 25. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones and flagging sidewalks four feet wide in One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, from Third to Railroad avenue.

No. 26. Sewer and appurtenances in Third avenue and One Hundred and Fifty-third street, from One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street to Brook avenue.

No. 27. Fencing vacant lots opposite 349 and 351 West Eleventh street.

No. 28. Sewer in One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street, between Ninth avenue and Avenue St. Nicholas.

No. 29. Sewer in Ninety-fourth street between Ninth and Tenth avenues.

No. 30. Sewer in One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street between Seventh avenue and summit west of Seventh avenue.

No. 31. Filling in sunken lots on the west side of Willis avenue, commencing 25 feet north of East One Hundred and Forty-fourth street and extending northerly about 125 feet.

No. 32. Sewers in Seventy-first street, between Avenue A and East river.

No. 33. Fencing vacant lots, south side of Eighty-fourth street, between Third and Lexington avenues.

No. 34. Sewer in Thompson street, between West Third and West Fourth streets.

No. 35. Flagging east side of Eighth avenue, between One Hundred and Twenty-fourth and One Hundred and Twenty-fifth streets.

No. 36. Flagging 8 feet wide, east side of Madison avenue, from One Hundred and Twenty-fifth to One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street.

No. 37. Flagging Ninety-eighth street, from Eighth to Ninth avenue.

No. 38. Flagging Ninety-eighth street, from Ninth avenue to the Boulevard.

No. 39. Paving One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, from Sixth to Seventh avenues, with Belgian blocks.

No. 40. Paving One Hundred and Sixth street, from Third to Lexington avenue, with trap-block pavement.

No. 41. Paving One Hundred and Seventh street, from First to Third avenue, with Belgian blocks.

No. 42. Flagging east side of Fifth avenue, from Seventy-second to Eighty-sixth street.

No. 43. Regulating and grading, setting curb and flagging sidewalks, 4 feet wide, on One Hundred and Twenty-second street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues.

No. 44. Sewer in Tenth avenue, east side, between One Hundred and Sixteenth and One Hundred and Eighteenth streets.

No. 45. Sewer in Chambers street, between Chatham and Centre streets.

No. 46. Paving Eighty-seventh street, from First to Second avenue, with Belgian-block pavement.

No. 47. Basin on the southwest corner of Twenty-fifth street and Eleventh avenue.

No. 48. Sewer in One Hundred and First street, between Riverside and West End (formerly Eleventh) avenues.

No. 49. Sewer in One Hundred and Eleventh street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues.

No. 50. Paving Eighty-first street, from Boulevard to Ninth avenue, with trap-block pavement.

No. 51. Paving Eighty-second street, from Ninth avenue to the Boulevard, with granite and trap block pavement.

No. 52. Paving Lexington avenue, between Seventy-fourth and Seventy-ninth streets.

No. 53. Paving Lexington avenue, between Seventy-ninth and Eighty-fifth streets.

No. 54. Regulating and grading, setting curb and gutter stones in Seventy-third street, from Third avenue to the East river.

No. 55. Regulating and grading, curb and flagging One Hundred and Thirteenth street, from Fifth to Eighth avenue.

No. 56. Flagging Third avenue, from Ninety-third to One Hundred and First street.

No. 57. Basins in First avenue, between Ninety-ninth and One Hundred and Ninth streets.

The limit embraced by such assessments includes all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land situated on—

No. 1. Both sides of Mott avenue, from the Spuyten Duyvil and Port Morris Railroad to One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, and both sides of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth and One Hundred and Forty-fourth streets, from Mott avenue to the Ice Pond brook in the Twenty-third Ward.

No. 2. Both sides of Seventy-first street, from Third avenue to the East river, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 3. Both sides of East One Hundred and Forty-second street, from Alexander avenue to Brook avenue; both sides of Willis and Alexander avenues, between One Hundred and Forty-first and One Hundred and Forty-third streets.

No. 4. Both sides of One Hundred and Fifty-second street from St. Nicholas to Ninth avenue.

No. 5. Both sides of One Hundred and Fifty-third street, from St. Nicholas to Ninth avenue.

No. 6. Both sides of Ninety-fifth street, from Third to Lexington avenue, and to the extent of one-half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 7. To the extent of one-half the block on Ninth avenue and Eighty-first street.

No. 8. To the extent of half the block from the intersections of One Hundred and Fifth and One Hundred and Sixth streets and Lexington avenue.

No. 9. Both sides of Avenue A, from Fifty-fourth to Fifty-seventh street, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 10. Both sides of East One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street, from Third avenue to a point about 425 feet east of Willis avenue, and both sides of Lincoln, Alexander, and Willis avenues, from One Hundred and Thirty-sixth to One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street.

No. 11. Both sides of One Hundred and Forty-first street, from Third avenue to Alexander avenue, and west side of Alexander avenue, from One Hundred and Forty-first to One Hundred and Forty-second street.

No. 12. Both sides of One Hundred and Fifty-third street, from Tenth avenue to the Boulevard.

No. 13. Both sides of Madison avenue, from One Hundred and Tenth to One Hundred and Sixteenth street, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 14. Both sides of Sixty-seventh street, from Boulevard to Tenth avenue, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 15. Both sides of One Hundred and Thirtieth street, from Sixth to Eighth avenue, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 16. Both sides of One Hundred and Twenty-third street, from First to Second avenue, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 17. Both sides of Ninety-ninth street, from Third avenue to Exterior street, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 18. Both sides of Lexington avenue, from Ninety-sixth to Ninety-seventh street.

No. 19. Both sides of Fourth avenue, from Seventy-second to Ninety-sixth street, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 20. Both sides of West End avenue, from Ninety-first to Ninety-sixth street, and both sides of Ninety-third street, between West End avenue and the Boulevard; also blocks bounded by Ninety-first and Ninety-third streets, West End and Riverside avenues; also blocks bounded by Ninety-first and Ninety-sixth streets, West End avenue and Boulevard.

No. 21. Both sides of Lexington avenue, from Ninety-third to Ninety-fifth street, and to the extent of half the block at the intersections of Ninety-third and Ninety-fourth streets.

No. 22. Both sides of Sixty-eighth street, from Avenue A to First avenue, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 23. East side of Tenth avenue, between One Hundred and Twenty-eighth and One Hundred and Thirtieth streets, and blocks bounded by Ninth and Tenth avenues, One Hundred and Twenty-ninth and One Hundred and Thirty-first streets.

No. 24. Both sides of Twenty-fourth, Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth streets, between Eleventh and Thirteenth avenues; also east side of Thirteenth avenue, between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-seventh streets, and also blocks bounded by Twenty-fourth and Twenty-seventh streets, Eleventh and Thirteenth avenues.

No. 25. Both sides of One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, from Third avenue to Railroad avenue, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 26. Both sides of Third Avenue, from One Hundred and Fifty-sixth to One Hundred and Fifty-ninth street; also both sides of One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street, from Brook avenue to Elton avenue, and also property bounded by One Hundred and Fifty-sixth and One Hundred and Fifty-ninth streets, Third avenue and Elton avenue.

No. 27. Ward numbers 283 and 284 in the Ninth Ward.

No. 28. Both sides of One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street, from Ninth avenue to Avenue St. Nicholas.

No. 29. Both sides of Ninety-fourth street, from Ninth to Tenth avenues.

No. 30. Both sides of One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues.

No. 31. West side of Willis avenue, commencing 25 feet north of East One Hundred and Forty-fourth street and extending northerly 125 feet.

No. 32. Both sides of Seventy-first street, from Avenue A to the East river.

No. 33. South side of Eighty-fourth street, between Third and Lexington avenues.

No. 34. Both sides of Thompson street, between West Third and West Fourth streets.

No. 35. East side of Eighth avenue, between One Hundred and Twenty-fourth and One Hundred and Twenty-fifth streets.

No. 36. East side of Madison avenue, from One Hundred and Twenty-fifth to One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street.

No. 37. Both sides of Ninety-eighth street, from Eighth to Ninth avenue.

No. 38. Both sides of Ninety-eighth street, from Ninth avenue to the Boulevard.

No. 39. Both sides of One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, from Sixth to Seventh avenue.

No. 40. Both sides of One Hundred and Sixth street, from Third to Lexington avenue, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 41. Both sides of One Hundred and Seventh street, from First to Third avenue, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 42. East side of Fifth avenue, from Seventy-second to Eighty-sixth street.

No. 43. Both sides of One Hundred and Twenty-second street, from Seventh to Eighth avenue.

No. 44. East side of Tenth avenue, from One Hundred and Sixteenth to One Hundred and Eighteenth street, and block bounded by One Hundred and Sixteenth and One Hundred and Seventeenth streets, Ninth and Tenth avenues.

No. 45. Both sides of Chambers street, between Chatham and Centre streets.

No. 46. Both sides of Eighty-seventh street, from First to Second avenue, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 47. West side of Eleventh avenue, between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth streets, and south side of Twenty-fifth street, extending 125 feet westerly from Eleventh avenue.

No. 48. Both sides of One Hundred and First street, from Riverside to West End (formerly Eleventh) avenue.

No. 49. Both sides of One Hundred and Eleventh street, from Seventh to Eighth avenue.

No. 50. Both sides of Eighty-first street, from Boulevard to Ninth avenue, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.