





Resolved, That a warrant, payable from the Sinking Fund for the Payment of the Interest on the City Debt, be drawn in favor of the Chamberlain for the sum of eight hundred and forty-seven dollars and ninety cents (\$847.90), for deposit in the City Treasury to the credit of "Croton Water Rents—Refunding Account," for refunding erroneous payments of Croton water rents, as per statement attached.

Which resolution was unanimously adopted.

The following communication was received from the Board of Police:

POLICE DEPARTMENT, April 20, 1897. Hon. ASHBEI P. FITCH, Comptroller:

DEAR SIR—I am directed by the Board of Police to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of the 14th inst., relative to renewal of certain leases. The resolution of the Board of April 7 was passed asking renewal of leases which might expire May 1, 1897. The Board had no knowledge of when leases of premises for this Department expired, for the reason that they do not hold the leases nor any copies of them, and if it were possible to obtain copies for filing in this office it would be desirable.

You state that the records of the Finance Department show expiration of leases, as follows:

1, Christopher D. Cunningham, November 1, 1897; 2, Nereid Association, September 1, 1897; 3, William Henderson, January 1, 1898; 4, William H. Payne, September 1, 1901; 5, New York Protestant Episcopal School, December 26, 1897; 6, Joseph H. Godwin, August 1, 1897.

The leases which expire during 1897 and January 1, 1898, should be renewed. Please inform me if it is necessary that further application should be made to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund for such purpose. Renewal of lease of F. C. Brown and of Ann Weaver, mentioned in my communication of the 7th inst., will not be required. Neither premises are occupied by the Department.

Very respectfully,

WM. H. KIPP, Chief Clerk.

Whereupon the Comptroller offered the following:

Resolved, That pursuant to the provisions of sections 123 and 181 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized to renew the following leases for terms of one year from the respective dates of expiration thereof:

Lease from Andrew H. Green, executor and trustee of W. B. Ogden, for Thirty-first Precinct.

Lease from Joseph H. Godwin for Thirty-fifth Precinct.

Lease from Christopher D. Cunningham for Thirty-third Precinct.

Leases from William Henderson of premises in Westchester.

Lease from New York Protestant Episcopal School for Second Precinct.

Lease from Nereid Association of premises at Wakefield.

Which was unanimously adopted.

The following communication was received from the Counsel to the Corporation, relative to lease of temporary quarters for Engine Company No. 48:

LAW DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, NEW YORK, April 14, 1897. To the Sinking Fund Commissioners:

GENTLEMEN—On the 9th day of February I received a communication from the Comptroller, requesting the preparation of several leases for the Fire Department, which were authorized by you at a meeting held on the 8th day of February last.

Among the leases requested by you was one for the premises used as temporary quarters of Engine Company No. 48, south side of Kingsbridge road, about seventy-five feet north of its junction with Highbridge or Fordham road, for one year from October 1, 1896, Charles Burden, lessor, rental \$200 per annum.

I prepared the lease for the property on the south side of Kingsbridge road and transmitted it to the Comptroller with my approval as to form thereon. Since that time, however, I am informed that Mr. Burden owns no property on the south side, and that it was intended for the resolution to read on the west side of Kingsbridge road, and I therefore write you this letter to call attention to this fact before the execution of said lease.

Respectfully yours,

FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation.

In connection therewith, the Comptroller presented a communication from the Board of Fire Commissioners, and a resolution to authorize the lease, as follows:

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, April 22, 1897. The Honorable Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to inform you that at a meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners held yesterday the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the action of this Board at meeting of January 15, 1897, requesting an extension of lease of premises used as temporary quarters for Engine Company 48, on the south side of Kingsbridge road, about seventy-five feet north of its junction with Highbridge road or Fordham road, be and is hereby rescinded, and that in lieu thereof an extension of the lease of the lot used for temporary quarters for Engine Company 48, on the west side of Kingsbridge road, about seventy-five feet north of its junction with Highbridge or Fordham road, for one year from October 1, 1896, at an annual rental of \$200 be requested.

Charles Burden is the lessor.

Very respectfully,

JAMES R. SHEFFIELD, President.

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund on February 8, 1897, authorizing the lease of premises on the south side of Kingsbridge road, for the use of Engine Company No. 48 of the Fire Department, be and the same is hereby amended so that the description of said premises shall read as follows: "The lot used for temporary quarters of Engine Company No. 48, on the west side of Kingsbridge road, about seventy-five feet north of its junction with Highbridge or Fordham road."

Which resolution was unanimously adopted.

The following communication was received from the Commissioners of Charities for lease of premises No. 622 Water street:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES, April 22, 1897. To the Honorable the Sinking Fund Commissioners:

GENTLEMEN—The lease of the premises No. 622 Water street (\$1,200 per year), used by this Department for stables in connection with Gouverneur Hospital, expires May 1, 1897, and we desire to renew the same for one year from that date.

We hereby make application to your Honorable Board for permission to renew this lease for the period named.

Yours truly,

S. C. CROFT, President.

Whereupon the Comptroller offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of sections 123 and 181 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized to renew for a term of one year the lease of the premises known as No. 622 Water street, used by the Department of Public Charities for stables in connection with the Gouverneur Hospital, which lease expired on May 1, 1897.

Which was unanimously adopted.

The following communication was received from the Commissioner of Street Cleaning for lease of basement at No. 513 West Fifty-second street:

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING, March 24, 1897. Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Chairman, Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners:

SIR—I desire the consent and approval of your Board to a lease, from April 15, 1897, to the 1st day of July, 1898, from H. W. Foote, of the basement, 18 feet by 27 feet, under the premises No. 513 West Fifty-second street, now used as a section station by this Department, at a rental of \$10 per month.

The said basement is to be employed as a storage-room for bag-carriers and other implements used in the work of the Department.

Respectfully,

GEO. E. WARING, JR., Commissioner.

Whereupon the Comptroller submitted a favorable report of Engineer McLean thereon, and offered the following:

Resolved, That in pursuance of the provisions of section 705 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, as amended by chapter 368 of the Laws of 1894, the Commissioner of Street Cleaning be and hereby is authorized to lease from H. W. Foote the basement under the premises known as No. 513 West Fifty-second street, for a term from April 15, 1897, to July 1, 1898, at a rental of ten dollars (\$10) per month, and the Counsel to the Corporation is requested to prepare said lease and indorse it with his approval as to form.

Which was unanimously adopted.

The following communication was received from the Commissioner of Street Cleaning for lease of premises No. 175 Western Boulevard:

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING, April 21, 1897. Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Chairman, Commissioners of Sinking Fund:

SIR—I desire the consent and approval of your Board for a renewal of the lease from Charles E. Van Tassel, as agent of the premises known as No. 175 Western Boulevard, between Sixty-seventh and Sixty-eighth streets, about 20 feet in front and rear and 50 feet in depth, in the City of New York, for the use of the Department of Street Cleaning, for a term of one year, from the 1st day of May, 1897, at an annual rental of \$360, payable monthly.

Respectfully,

GEO. E. WARING, JR., Commissioner.

Whereupon the Comptroller offered the following:

Resolved, That, in pursuance of the provisions of section 705 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, as amended by chapter 368 of the Laws of 1894, the Commissioner of Street Cleaning be and hereby is authorized to enter into a lease with Charles E. Van Tassel, as agent, of the premises known as No. 175 Western Boulevard, between Sixty-seventh and Sixty-eighth streets, about twenty feet in front and rear and fifty feet in depth, in the City of New York, for a term of one year from May 1, 1897, at an annual rental of three hundred and sixty dollars (\$360), payable monthly, and the Counsel to the Corporation is requested to prepare the said lease and indorse it with his approval as to form.

Which was unanimously adopted.

The following communication was received from the Commissioner of Street Cleaning for lease of store No. 247 Mulberry street:

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING, May 1, 1897. Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Chairman, Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners:

SIR—I desire the consent and authority of your Board for a lease from Celestino De Marco, of the first floor, or store, of the premises known as No. 247 Mulberry street, in the City of New York, for a term of two (2) years from May 1, 1897, at an annual rental of \$480, payable monthly, for the use of the Department of Street Cleaning.

Respectfully,

GEO. E. WARING, JR., Commissioner.

Whereupon the Comptroller submitted a favorable report of Engineer McLean thereon, and offered the following:

Resolved, That in pursuance of the provisions of section 705 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, as amended by chapter 368 of the Laws of 1894, the Commissioner of Street Cleaning be and hereby is authorized to lease the first floor, or store, of the premises known as No. 247 Mulberry street, from Celestino De Marco, for the term of two years from May 1, 1897, at a rental of four hundred and eighty dollars (\$480) per annum, payable monthly, and the Counsel to the Corporation is requested to prepare said lease and indorse it with his approval as to form.

Which was unanimously adopted.

The following communication was received from the Commissioner of Street Cleaning for lease of lots on Fifteenth street near Eleventh avenue:

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING, March 30, 1897. Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Chairman, Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners:

SIR—I desire the consent and approval of your Board for a lease, by me, for the use of this Department, for a term of five (5) years, from the 1st day of May, 1897, from John Armstrong Chanler, individually, and Henry Lewis Morris, as attorney for Winthrop Chanler, Elizabeth W. Chanler, William Astor Chanler, Louis Stuyvesant Chanler, Margaret Livingston Chanler, Alida B. C. Emmet, and the New York Life Insurance and Trust Company of New York, as trustee of Robert W. Chanler, of all those certain three (3) lots of land situate on the southerly side of West Fifteenth street, commencing 100 feet easterly from Eleventh avenue; said lots being designated on a certain map, drawn by George W. Smith, City Surveyor, and dated June 10, 1854, by the numbers 56-54-52, and also known as lots Nos. 60, 59 and 58, in Block 686, Section 3, on Land Map of the City of New York; said lots being in front in width on Fifteenth street, 75 feet, and in depth 103 3-12 feet to the centre line of the block, at an annual rental of \$1,650, payable quarterly; the city to pay, in addition, the city and state taxes, and also the Croton water rents. The purpose for which these lots are needed, is the separation of paper and rubbish and the destruction of unmarketable material.

Respectfully,

GEO. E. WARING, JR., Commissioner.

In connection therewith the Comptroller submitted a report of Engineer McLean thereon, in part as follows:

The purpose for which the lots are needed is the separation of paper and rubbish and the destruction of unmarketable material.

These lots are valued on the tax books at \$10,500. I consider their market value \$21,000.

The tax on this property, at 2.14 per cent., amounts to \$224.70, so that the annual rent, proposed, will be \$1,650, plus, \$224.70—equal to \$1,874.70—which is 8.92 per cent. of the estimated value of the property, viz.: \$21,000, exclusive of the water rents.

I consider this rent much too high for this class of property.

Respectfully,

EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.

After discussion, the matter was laid over.

The following communication was received from the Commissioner of Street Cleaning for amendment to lease of stores No. 304 East Ninety-eighth street:

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING, April 24, 1897. Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Chairman, Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners:

SIR—Your Board, by a resolution adopted on the 12th of March, 1897, gave consent to a lease by me, from Mrs. Peter Saltuary, of the two adjoining stores, numbered as 304 East Ninety-eighth street, in the City of New York, for the use of the Department of Street Cleaning. The form of lease, in accordance with the above resolution, was drawn, approved by the Corporation Counsel and executed by Mrs. Peter Saltuary, as party of the first part, and by me, as party of the second part, on the 13th of April, 1897.

But now it appears, by a Referee's deed of foreclosure, dated March 5, 1897, duly acknowledged by Arthur J. Westermayr, Commissioner of Deeds, and recorded March 5, 1897, in block series (Conveyances), section 6, Liber 36, page 187, and indexed under Block No. 1669, on the Land Map of the City of New York, and certified by William Sohmer, Register, that the property was conveyed to William Boss (residing at No. 51 East One Hundred and Sixth street) on the 5th of March, 1897, aforesaid, before the date of the instrument executed by Mrs. Peter Saltuary, which, therefore, is null and void from the beginning.

I desire the consent of your Board, therefore, to a lease of the said premises from William Boss on the same terms and conditions as the lease from Mrs. Saltuary, for which your Board gave consent, as above mentioned.

Respectfully,

GEO. E. WARING, JR., Commissioner.

Whereupon the Comptroller offered the following:

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund on March 12, 1897, authorizing a lease by the Commissioner of Street Cleaning from Mrs. Peter Saltuary of the two adjoining stores numbered as 304 East Ninety-eighth street, be and the same is hereby amended so as to authorize such lease from William Boss as lessor.

Which was unanimously adopted.

The following communication was received from the Commissioner of Street Cleaning for amendment to lease of store, No. 641 Amsterdam avenue:

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING, April 15, 1897. Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Chairman, Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners:

SIR—I desire that the resolution adopted by your Board, on the 8th day of February, 1897, authorizing a lease by me from Maria L. Mount, of "all that certain portion known as the rear and southerly half of the store known as No. 641 Amsterdam avenue (northeast corner of Ninety-first street), in the City of New York, for the use of the Department of Street Cleaning," be amended so as to read "all that certain portion of the southerly half of the corner store, known as No. 641 Amsterdam avenue, in the City of New York, with entrance from Ninety-first street only, for the use of the Department of Street Cleaning," for the reason that the former words of description, repeated from a preceding lease, are not correctly descriptive of the premises, while the latter are.

Respectfully,

GEO. E. WARING, JR., Commissioner.

Whereupon the Comptroller offered the following:

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund on February 8, 1897, authorizing a lease by the Commissioner of Street Cleaning of a portion of the premises known as No. 641 Amsterdam avenue be and the same is hereby amended so that the description of the property leased shall read as follows:

"All that certain portion of the southerly half of the corner store known as No. 641 Amsterdam avenue, in the City of New York, with entrance from Ninety-first street only, for the use of the Department of Street Cleaning."

Which was unanimously adopted.

The following communication was received from the Commissioner of Street Cleaning, for amendment to lease of lots Nos. 98 and 100 Washington street:

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING, April 14, 1897. Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Chairman, Board of Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

SIR—On the 24th day of March, 1897, your Board adopted a resolution authorizing a lease by me of "the two lots known at Nos. 98 and 100 Washington street, for a term of five years, at an annual rental of six hundred (600) dollars for each lot, Ashforth & Co., agents, lessors."

It appears, however, that Ashforth & Co. are the agents for No. 98 Washington street only, and that the lot known as No. 100 Washington street will be leased by the owner of the fee, F. Augustus Schermerhorn, thus requiring a separate lease for each of the above mentioned lots.

Both Ashforth & Co., as agents and lessors of No. 98 Washington street, and F. Augustus Schermerhorn, as lessor of No. 100 Washington street, agree to lease each of the above lots for six hundred (600) dollars per annum, payable quarterly at the end of each quarter, and all charges for the use of the Croton water to be paid by the city.

Respectfully,

GEO. E. WARING, JR., Commissioner.

Whereupon the Comptroller offered the following:

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund on March 24, 1897, authorizing a lease by the Commissioner of the Street Cleaning of the two lots known as Nos. 98 and 100 Washington street from Ashforth & Co., agents, lessors, be and the same is hereby amended by authorizing two leases of said property—one of No. 98 Washington street from Ashforth & Co., agents, and one of No. 100 Washington street from F. Augustus Schermerhorn, lessor; the Croton water rents to be paid by the city, and the terms and conditions of said leases in all other respects being as specified in said resolution of March 24, 1897.

Which was unanimously adopted.

The following communication was received from the Commissioner of Street Cleaning for amendment to lease of premises No. 346 East Twenty-third street:

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING, April 3, 1897. Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Chairman, Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners:

SIR—I desire your Board to amend the resolution adopted March 12, 1897, authorizing a lease of the premises No. 346 East Twenty-third street from the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Calvary Church, so as to make the term one year and two months from March 1, 1897, in place of one year from March 1, 1897, as the resolution now reads, thereby permitting the expiration of the lease May 1, 1898.

Respectfully,

GEO. E. WARING, JR., Commissioner.

Whereupon the Comptroller offered the following:

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund on March 12, 1897, authorizing a lease by the Commissioner of Street Cleaning of the premises known as

\* This was fully explained in my letter to the Comptroller of March 26, 1897.



No. 346 East Twenty-third street be and the same is hereby amended so as to make the term of said lease one year and two months from March 1, 1897.

Which was unanimously adopted.

The following communication was received from the Commissioner of Street Cleaning for amendment to lease of lot on Twelfth street, near West street:

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING, April 21, 1897. Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Chairman, Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners:

SIR—I desire that the resolution of your Board, adopted the 24th day of March, 1897, giving consent and authority for a lease by me from J. G. Wendell, as executor, of "the irregular lot abutting on the north side of West Twelfth street, 40 feet 7 inches easterly of the easterly line of West street, measuring 39 feet 4 inches in front, 56 feet 10 inches in rear, and with a depth on the longest side of 22 feet 9 inches, to be properly fenced, for the use of the Department of Street Cleaning," be amended so as to make the lease from Max Fromkess, as agent, and to make the metes and bounds read as follows: "portions of three lots abutting on the north side of West Twelfth street, 40 feet 7 inches easterly of the easterly line of West street, measuring 39 feet 4 inches in front, the same in rear, and with a depth of 22 feet 9 inches, to be properly fenced, for the use of the Department of Street Cleaning."

Your resolution of March 24th was founded upon an erroneous map furnished the draughtsman of this Department in drawing the said lease.

Respectfully, GEO. E. WARING, JR., Commissioner.

Whereupon the Comptroller offered the following:

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund on March 24, 1897, relative to the lease for the Department of Street Cleaning of an irregular lot on the north side of West Twelfth street, be and the same is hereby amended so as to provide for the leasing thereof from Max Fromkess, as agent, and so as to make the description thereof read as follows:

"Portions of three lots abutting on the north side of West Twelfth street, 40 feet 7 inches easterly of the easterly line of West street, measuring 39 feet 4 inches in front, the same in rear, and with a depth of 22 feet 9 inches, to be properly fenced for the use of the Department of Street Cleaning."

Which was unanimously adopted.

The Comptroller called up the report and resolution for lease of lots Nos. 408 to 416 East Forty-eighth street for the Department of Street Cleaning (Minutes March 24, 1897, page 839), and presented the following communication from the Commissioner of Street Cleaning:

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING, March 26, 1897. Hon. ASHBEEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—I have received your letter of March 25, inclosing certified copy of a resolution of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, authorizing certain leases to be made by this Department.

Referring to the second paragraph of your letter, I have to say that the lots, which it is desired to lease on East Forty-eighth street, on One Hundred and Tenth street and on Manhattan street, are intended for the construction of the necessary appliance for assorting household waste, and destroying such parts thereof as are not salable. I assume that the inquiry relates especially to a possibility of these stations becoming an annoyance to persons in their neighborhood. I think there is no danger of this. In the first place, all garbage is separated by the householders, and is delivered separately to the Sanitary Utilization Company. If there is a failure to make a proper separation, the neglected garbage will be deposited in ash receptacles, and will be taken by our ashcarts to the city dumps.

There will remain of the wastes of the house only the ordinary paper, rags and other refuse, such as cast-off clothing, shoes, hats, bottles, discarded mattresses, packing material, boxes, barrels, waste metal, etc., etc. Nothing will be of a character to cause offense under storage or during combustion. Everything of a salable character will be separated and prepared for the market. What is worthless, being chiefly the lower grades of paper, excelsior, straw, chips and the contents of discarded mattresses will be burned in a furnace specially constructed for the purpose, and arranged to consume smoke and to destroy any possible products of partial combustion. The chimney flue will be over one hundred feet high, and will certainly be much less observable, so far as its discharges are concerned, than any factory chimney.

Respectfully, GEO. E. WARING, JR., Commissioner.

Hon. George E. Waring, Jr., was heard in support of the application.

Whereupon the Comptroller offered the following:

Resolved, That, in pursuance of the provisions of section 705 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, as amended by chapter 368 of the Laws of 1894, the Commissioner of Street Cleaning be and hereby is authorized to lease lots Nos. 408, 410, 412, 414 and 416 East Forty-eighth street from Frank Schaeffer, for a term of five years, at a rental of one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars (\$1,250) per annum, and the Counsel to the Corporation is requested to prepare said lease and indorse it with his approval as to form.

Which was unanimously adopted.

The following communication was received from the Commissioner of Street Cleaning for lease of lots at One Hundred and Tenth street and Pleasant avenue:

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING, March 18, 1897. Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Chairman, Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners:

SIR—I desire the consent and approval of your Board for a lease by this Department, for a term of five years, from Peter Eagan, of No. 229 Broadway, as agent, of the four lots, in all 100 feet by 100 feet, on the southwest corner of One Hundred and Tenth street and Pleasant avenue, at a rental of \$1,200 per annum, the city to pay the taxes and water rates, to be used for the separation of paper and rubbish and the destruction of unmarketable material.

Respectfully, GEO. E. WARING, JR., Commissioner.

In connection therewith the Comptroller submitted a report of Engineer McLean thereon, in part, as follows:

These four lots measure in the aggregate, according to the tax maps, 93 feet by 100 feet 11 inches, instead of 100 feet by 100 feet. The tax valuation of these four lots is, in the aggregate, \$9,000. The market value does not, in my opinion, exceed \$17,000.

The tax rate being 2.14 per cent., the yearly tax will be \$192.26, making the proposed rent, exclusive of the water rates, \$1,392.26, which is 8.14 per cent. of the value.

I consider this rent too high.

These lots, being very close to the dumping pier, are well situated for the purpose named, but the dump being there, detracts, very considerably, from the value of the lots for other business purposes.

Respectfully, EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.

After discussion the Comptroller offered the following:

Resolved, That in pursuance of the provisions of section 705 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, as amended by chapter 368 of the Laws of 1894, the Commissioner of Street Cleaning be and hereby is authorized to lease, for a term of five years, from Peter Eagan, as agent, the four lots, about 93 feet by 100 feet, on the southwest corner of One Hundred and Tenth street and Pleasant avenue, at a rental not exceeding one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per annum, the city to pay the taxes and water rates; and the Counsel to the Corporation is requested to prepare said lease and indorse it with his approval as to form.

Which was unanimously adopted.

The following communication was received from the Commissioner of Street Cleaning for lease of lots in Block 1996, between Manhattan and West One Hundred and Thirtieth streets:

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING, March 20, 1897. Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Chairman, Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners:

SIR—I desire the consent and approval of your Board for a lease from William H. Seach of the Lots Nos. 56, 57, 58 and 59, in Block 1996, between Manhattan street and West One Hundred and Thirtieth street, for a term of five years, at a rental of \$1,600 per annum, to be used as a yard of this Department for the separation of paper and rubbish and the destruction of unmarketable material.

Respectfully, GEO. E. WARING, JR., Commissioner.

In connection therewith the Comptroller submitted a report of Engineer McLean thereon, in part, as follows:

I estimate the value of these lots at \$21,000. The proposed rent, \$1,600, is 7.61 per cent. of this amount, which I consider too high. The tax valuation of these lots is \$10,700.

EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.

After discussion, the Comptroller offered the following:

Resolved, That in pursuance of the provisions of section 705 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, as amended by chapter 368 of the Laws of 1894, the Commissioner of Street Cleaning be and hereby is authorized to lease from William H. Seach the lots known as Nos. 56, 57, 58 and 59 in Block No. 1996, between Manhattan street and West One Hundred and Thirtieth street, for a term of five years, at a rental not exceeding fourteen hundred dollars (\$1,400) per annum; and the Counsel to the Corporation is requested to prepare said lease and indorse it with his approval as to form.

Which was unanimously adopted.

The following communications were received from the Commissioner of Street Cleaning:

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING, April 26, 1897. Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Chairman, Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners:

SIR—I desire the authority and consent of your Board for a lease from Louis F. Haffen of the lot 50 by 100 feet, abutting on the southerly side of East One Hundred and Fifty-third street, 100 feet east of Courtlandt avenue, in the City of New York, from the 1st of May, 1897, to the 10th of July, 1903, at a monthly rental of \$60, for the use of the Department of Street Cleaning.

Respectfully, GEO. E. WARING, JR., Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING, April 29, 1897. Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Chairman, Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners:

SIR—On the 26th instant, I wrote to you requesting the authority and consent of your Board for a lease from Louis F. Haffen, of the lot 50 by 100 feet, abutting on the southerly side of East One Hundred and Fifty-third street, 100 feet east of Courtlandt avenue, in the City of New York,

from the 1st of May, 1897, to the 10th of July, 1903, at a monthly rental of \$60, for the use of the Department of Street Cleaning.

The fact was overlooked at the time that the person from whom it was proposed to lease the above property is an officer of the city government, so that any such lease would, of course, be invalid, as provided by section 59, of the New York City Consolidation Act.

I therefore withdraw my request for the above authority and consent of the above lease.

Respectfully, GEO. E. WARING, JR., Commissioner.

Which were ordered on file.

The following communication was received from the Board of Education:

HALL OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, April 23, 1897. Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Mayor, Chairman, Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

SIR—The Board of Education, at a meeting held April 21, 1897, had under consideration the offer to allow this Board to use and occupy, during the pleasure of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, the easterly end of the first story of the Union Market Building, for school purposes.

In view of the fact that it would cost not less than \$1,700 to make alterations necessary to afford accommodations for two class-rooms, and the use and occupation of the premises in question will continue for an uncertain period, the Board respectfully declined the offer with thanks.

Very Respectfully, ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk.

Which was ordered on file.

The following communication was received from the Armory Board:

BOARD OF ARMORY COMMISSIONERS, January 28, 1897. To the Honorable the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the Armory Board, held this day, the following was adopted: Resolved, That the resolution adopted by the Armory Board June 3, 1892, and concurred in by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund November 2, 1892, designating a site for the Sixty-ninth Regiment Armory at Third avenue, between Sixth and Seventh streets, be rescinded, and that the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund be and they are hereby requested to concur in the same.

Respectfully, E. P. BARKER, Secretary.

Whereupon the Comptroller submitted a report of Engineer McLean thereon, and offered the following:

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund November 2, 1892, concurring in a resolution adopted by the Armory Board June 3, 1892, designating a site for the Sixty-ninth Regiment Armory at Third avenue, between Sixth and Seventh streets, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

Which was unanimously adopted.

A petition was received from Mr. Charles B. Morris for the sale at public auction of a plot of land on the west side of Twelfth avenue, between One Hundred and Thirty-first and One Hundred and Thirty-second street, as follows:

To the Honorable Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners:

GENTLEMEN—I respectfully ask that you give your sanction to the sale of land on the west side of Twelfth avenue, between One Hundred and Thirty-first and Thirty-second streets, which is now under lease by the city to me for a term of nine years from May 1, 1897. The strip of land is very irregular in its dimension. It is described as follows:

Commencing at the Northwest corner of One Hundred and Thirty-first street and Twelfth avenue, it runs 17 feet 1 inch; thence northwesterly 39 feet 3 inches; thence northeasterly 58 feet 6 inches; thence southeasterly 28 feet 11 inches; thence north along the westerly side of Twelfth avenue 68 feet 5 inches; thence northwesterly 83 feet; thence south 186 feet to the northerly side of One Hundred and Thirty-first street and thence easterly 87 feet 7 inches to the point of beginning.

The diagram annexed to this petition will indicate more plainly the irregular dimensions of the plot in question.

It will be seen from the diagram that property owned by other parties, of the dimensions of 62 feet 4 inches along the westerly line of Twelfth avenue, by 58 feet 6 inches at the westerly side of the piece by 39 feet 3 inches at the southerly end and by 28 feet 11 inches at the northerly end, intervenes and cuts into the city's property. It will also be seen that the northerly boundary of the city's land on the westerly side of the Twelfth avenue is 52 feet distant from the southerly side of One Hundred and Thirty-second street on the westerly side of the Twelfth avenue and 15 feet from One Hundred and Thirty-second street at the westerly side of the northerly end of the city's property, while there is property of private ownership west of the city's plot.

Your applicant is negotiating to buy the irregular piece distant 17 feet 4 inches from One Hundred and Thirty-first street shown on the map, and is desirous of enlarging his field of business operations, but would not be justified in doing so under the nine years lease held under the city. The piece is so irregular, and is so unavailable to the city for any practicable purpose, unless for use in connection with the other piece, that it would seem to your petitioner to be desirable that the same should be sold, and, as the city has of late been disposing of pieces of property of like character owned by it, your petitioner prays that the Sinking Fund will put the same up at public auction and sell the same upon such terms as to the city may seem just.

Dated New York, April 13, 1897.

CHAS. B. MORRIS, Petitioner.

BLANDY, MOONEY & SHIPMAN, Attorneys for Petitioner, No. 15 Wall street, New York City.

Which was referred to the Recorder and the Comptroller.

A petition was received from Mr. Peter H. Flynn and others for a release of the interest of the city in the premises known as No. 419 West Seventeenth street.

Which was referred to the Counsel to the Corporation for his consideration and advice.

A petition was received from Mr. George F. Johnson for the sale at public auction of a parcel of land within the lines of Sherman Creek, as follows:

To the Honorable Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners of the City of New York:

The petition of George F. Johnson respectfully shows—

I.—That he is the owner of a certain tract of land shown upon the diagram hereto annexed and marked Exhibit "A," and has been such owner since the 7th day of May, 1878.

II.—That as your petitioner is informed and believes he is also the owner of the land colored blue on the map, Exhibit "A," above referred to, which was formerly part of the bed of Sherman Creek.

III.—That your petitioner is informed and believes that the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York have no claim or title whatsoever in or to said parcel of land, and that the same belongs to him as an adjacent owner.

IV.—That in any event the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York can never utilize or appropriate the said parcel of land formerly within the lines of Sherman Creek for riparian or commercial purposes because Academy street has been lawfully laid out as a public street of the City of New York between the Sherman Basin as now laid out and shown on the map annexed, and the land of which your petitioner desires a release.

V.—That it has been the uniform practice of your Honorable Board to appraise at a nominal value and to sell the right or title of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York to the bed of Sherman Creek whenever application has been made therefor, and hereby refers to the action taken by your Honorable Board upon the application of Maria L. Daly at a meeting held January 27, 1881, and also the action of your Honorable Board at a meeting held January 22, 1896, upon the application of Edward H. Landon.

VI.—Your petitioner also refers to the opinion of the Corporation Counsel relative to the application of the said Maria L. Daly, and the decision of the General Term of the Supreme Court in the First Department, Breen vs. Locks, 46 Hun, 291, relative to the respective rights of the city and abutting owners in the bed of old creeks such as the Sherman Creek.

Wherefore your petitioner prays that the value of the interest of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York in said parcel be appraised by your Honorable Board at a nominal sum and that the same be sold pursuant to law.

Dated New York, April 13, 1897.

GEO. F. JOHNSON.

Which was referred to the Comptroller.

The following communication was received from the Board of Docks:

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS, April 12, 1897. Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Mayor, and Chairman, Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

SIR—I transmit herewith, for submission to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, an agreement for the purchase of property near the foot of Academy street, Sherman's creek, from Robert G. Dun.

Yours respectfully, GEO. S. TERRY, Secretary.

This agreement, made and entered on the sixth day of April, 1897, by and between Robert G. Dun, party of the first part, and The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, acting by the Department of Docks of said city, parties of the second part, witnesseseth:

Whereas, The said party of the first part is the proprietor of all the upland, land under water and wharf property hereinafter particularly described, in the Harlem river at Sherman's creek lying southerly of Academy street.

Whereas, By section 715 of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, the Board of the Department of Docks of the said city is authorized to acquire by purchase, in the name of and for the benefit of the Corporation of the City of New York, uplands, lands under water and wharf property in said city, and all rights appertaining thereto not now owned by the Corporation of the City of New York, as shall seem to said Department necessary to be taken for the improvement of the water-front of the City of New York, subject to the approval of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, and to pay to such owners the price agreed; and

Whereas, the said parties of the second part are desirous of acquiring said uplands, land under water and wharf property hereinafter described, not now owned by the City of New York, in accordance with the conditions of a certain resolution of the Department of Docks, passed the 23d day of February, 1897, and which said resolution is as follows, to wit:

"Whereas, At a meeting of the Board of Docks, held February 1, 1897, preamble and resolutions were adopted offering to purchase from Robert G. Dun his interest in certain property



"at Sherman's creek, lying southerly of Academy street, as more particularly described in said preamble and resolutions; and

"Whereas, Under date of February 20, 1897, Peter R. Gatens, on behalf of said Robert G. Dun, declined the offer contained in said preamble and resolutions; and

"Whereas, Surveys of the property in question show that the area contained therein amounts to 6,444 square feet, instead of 5,100 square feet; and

"Whereas, Under section 715 of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, the Board of the Department of Docks of the City of New York is authorized to acquire by purchase, in the name and for the benefit of the Corporation of the City of New York, wharf property in said city, and all rights, terms, easements and privileges pertaining thereto, subject to the approval of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, and agree with the owners thereof upon a price for the same, and in case of a failure so to agree, to initiate legal proceedings to acquire the same for the improvement of the water-front of said city; and

"Whereas, Said Board is desirous of acquiring, in the name and for the benefit of the Corporation of the City of New York, in fee simple, all right, title and interest in and to the following described premises, to wit:

"All the land and land under water in the Harlem river, at Sherman's creek, lying southerly of Academy street, which is not now owned by the City of New York, which said parcel of land and land under water is bounded and described as follows:

"Beginning at a point on the southerly side of Academy street, where the same is intersected by the line of high-water mark, said point being distant 316 feet westerly of the United States bulkhead-line; running thence easterly along the southerly side of Academy street 290 feet to a point where the same is again intersected by the line of high-water mark, said point being distant 26 feet westerly of the United States bulkhead-line; running thence along said line of high-water mark as it winds and turns in a generally westerly direction to the point or place of beginning, including all rights and appurtenances therewith connected, same containing about 6,444 square feet; and

"Whereas, It appears that Robert G. Dun is the owner in fee simple, with all its hereditaments, of all the above-described premises,

"Resolved, That this Board offers to purchase the above-described premises, and pay for a good and sufficient title therefor, free from all incumbrances, and to be approved by the Counsel to the Corporation of the City of New York, the sum of three thousand (\$3,000) dollars, subject to the approval of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, as required by law.

"Resolved, That a copy of these preambles and resolutions be served upon said Robert G. Dun, and he be and is hereby requested, within thirty days from receipt thereof, to notify this Board, in writing, whether he will sell all his rights and interest as aforesaid in the above-described premises to The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York for the price above mentioned; and in the event that he shall fail to notify this Board of his willingness so to convey the aforesaid rights and interests, it shall be deemed that no price can be agreed upon for the purchase of the said premises between the owner thereof and this Department."

And Whereas, Said offer was accepted on March 12 by said Robert G. Dun, in writing,

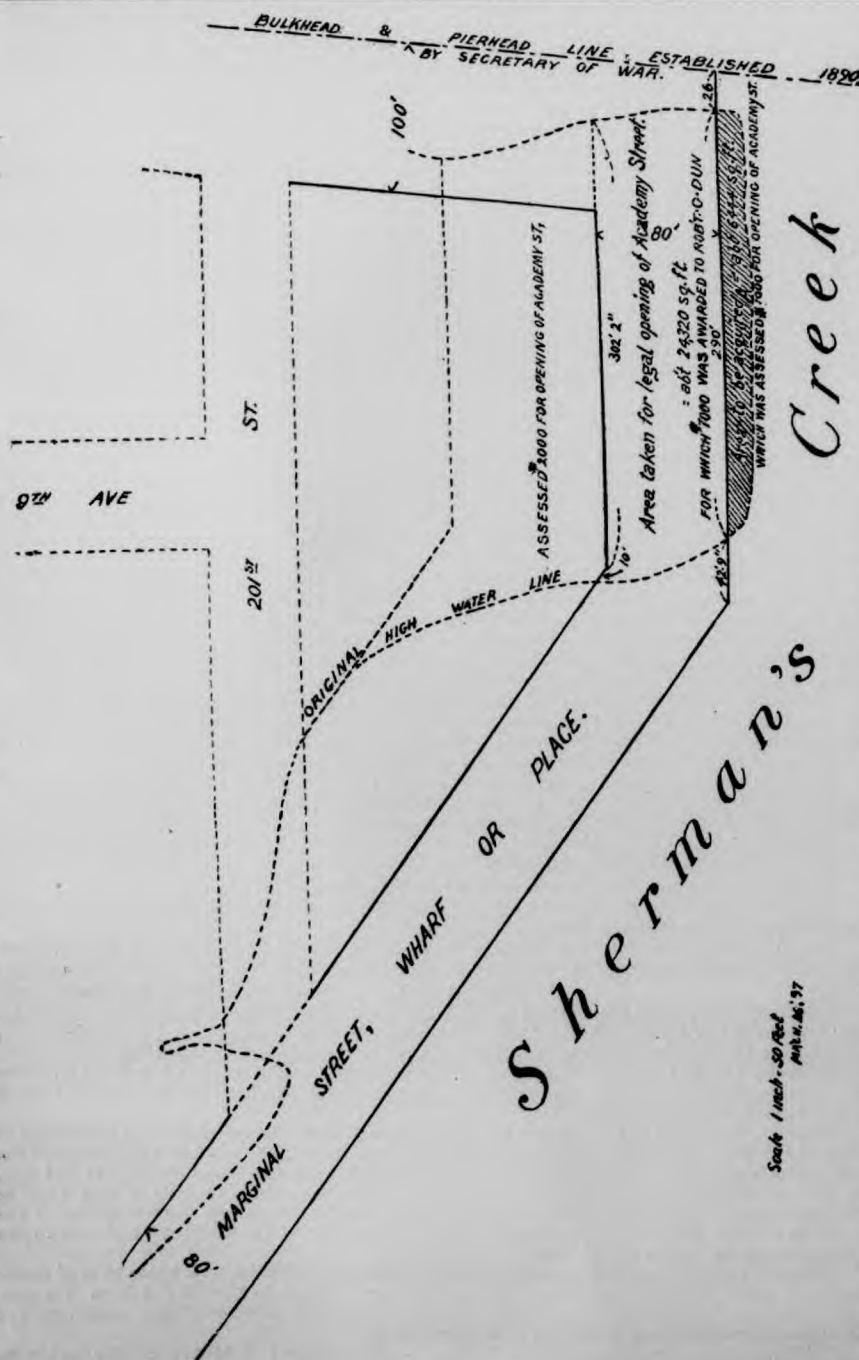
Now, therefore, this agreement witnesseth that the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the premises, and in the sum of one dollar to him in hand paid by the said parties of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hereby agrees to sell and convey, by good and sufficient deeds or conveyance, unto the said parties of the second part,

All the uplands, lands under water and wharf property in the Harlem river, at Sherman's creek, lying southerly of Academy street, bounded and described as follows, to wit:

Beginning at a point on the southerly side of Academy street, where the same is intersected by the line of high-water mark, said point being distant 316 feet westerly of the United States bulkhead-line; running thence easterly along the southerly side of Academy street 290 feet to a point where the same is again intersected by the line of high-water mark, said point being distant 26 feet westerly of the United States bulkhead-line; running thence along said line of high-water mark, as it winds and turns in a general westerly direction, to the point or place of beginning, including all rights and appurtenances therewith connected, the same containing about 6,444 square feet, the said upland being the lot designated by the letter "A" and colored red on the diagram hereto annexed, for the just and full sum of three thousand dollars, lawful money of the United States of America, or by warrant on the City Treasury for that amount.

It being stipulated by the party of the first part, and is of the essence of this agreement, that the said party of the first part is to convey, or cause to be conveyed, good title to said upland, including all rights and appurtenances therewith connected, and all his right, title and interest in and to the land under water adjoining said uplands.

And the said parties hereto of the second part hereby agree to purchase the said uplands, land



under water and wharf property, together with the rights and appurtenances connected therewith of the said party of the first part, and to pay said party of the first part therefor the said sum of three thousand dollars in the manner aforesaid on the fourth day of June, 1897, subject, nevertheless, to the approval of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

And it is further agreed that said deed or deeds shall be delivered and the consideration paid at the office of the Comptroller of the City of New York on the fourth day of June, 1897, at one o'clock P. M., and that the consideration may be paid in a warrant or warrants of the said Comptroller, drawn in favor of the party of the first part, and the said party of the first part on receiving such payment at the time and in the manner above mentioned, shall, at his own proper costs and expense, execute, acknowledge and deliver, or cause to be executed, acknowledged and delivered to the said parties of the second part, a proper deed for the conveyance and assurance to them of all said uplands, land under water and wharf property, together with the rights and appurtenances therewith connected hereinbefore mentioned, free and clear in all respects of all charges, liens and incumbrances of whatever kind, name or nature, excepting taxes and assessments, if any, which became liens upon the said land after February 23, 1897.

And it is further mutually covenanted and agreed by and between the several parties hereto that this contract is made subject to the approval of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, and the said parties of the second part hereby agree to submit this contract to said Commissioners for approval, and to serve written notice of the action of said Commissioners upon the party of the first part within thirty days from the date hereof, and that unless said Commissioners shall approve the same, and the said parties of the second part shall serve said notice within thirty days as aforesaid, and unless the said parties of the second part shall complete this contract, if approved, on the fourth day of June, 1897, as hereinbefore mentioned, this contract shall, at the option of the said party of the first part, be utterly void, it being expressly understood that time is of the essence of this contract, and that the stipulations aforesaid are to apply to and bind the successors or assigns of the respective parties.

In witness whereof, the said Board of Commissioners at the head of and governing the Department of Docks has caused these presents to be executed, in conformity with its by-laws, by the President, Treasurer and Secretary of said Department for and on behalf of the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and the said party of the second part has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written, and the parties hereto have executed this agreement in four parts, one of which is to remain with the parties of the first part, one with the Department of Docks, one with the Counsel to the Corporation and one with the Comptroller of the City of New York.

Signed and sealed and delivered in the presence of—

PETER R. GATENS.

THE DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS, by  
[SEAL.] E. C. O'BRIEN, President; EDWIN EINSTEIN, Treasurer; GEO. S. TERRY, Secretary.  
Approved as to form—

FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation.

State of New York, City and County of New York, ss.:

On this 6th day of April, 1897, before me personally came Edward C. O'Brien, President of the Department of Docks of the City of New York, Edwin Einstein, Treasurer, and George S. Terry, Secretary of said Department, all to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn, do severally depose and say:

That they are, respectively, President, Treasurer and Secretary of the Department of Docks of the City of New York, and that they and each of them severally reside in the City of New York, and that they have affixed their hands to the foregoing instrument as such President, Treasurer and Secretary of the said Department of Docks, by virtue and authority of a resolution adopted by the said Board on the 8th day of April, 1897, and that in accordance with said resolution they have caused the seal of said Department to be affixed hereto.

CHARLES J. FARLEY, Commissioner of Deeds, New York City.

State of New York, City and County of New York, ss.:

On this Seventh day of April, 1897, before me personally came Robert G. Dun, to me known and known to me to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and who acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

PETER R. GATENS, Notary Public, New York County.

In connection therewith the Comptroller submitted a report of Engineer McLean of the Finance Department thereon and a resolution approving the purchase, as follows:

FINANCE DEPARTMENT, May 6, 1897. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—The Department of Docks, in communication of April 12, 1897, to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, transmits an agreement for the purchase of property near the foot of Academy street, Sherman's creek, from Robert G. Dun, for the sum of \$3,000, free of all incumbrances.

This proposed purchase is in area 6,444 square feet, equal to 258-100 city lots. The acquisition of the property is necessary for the improvements now being prosecuted in Sherman's creek.

The best guide in the formation of an estimate of value is found in the award made, in the opening of Academy street, for similar property immediately adjacent to it, as shown on the accompanying diagram. This award was \$7,000 for 24,320 square feet, equal to 973-100 city lots.

The exact proportionate value of these lots would be \$1,854, but the assessment put upon them for the opening of Academy street is \$1,000. This assessment added to the proportionate value above given, would make \$2,854, which is within \$146 of the amount, \$3,000, agreed upon. The lots bordering on the high-water line of Sherman's creek have certain riparian rights and privileges sufficient to account for this \$146.

In accordance with these views, I consider the price agreed upon, \$3,000, for this property, free of all encumbrances, reasonable and just.

Respectfully, EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund hereby approve of and concur in the purchase by the Dock Department, for the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000), of the uplands, land under water and wharf property, in the Harlem river at Sherman's creek, lying southerly of Academy street, as bounded and described in the agreement, dated April 6, 1897, by and between Robert G. Dun, party of the first part, and The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, acting by the Department of Docks of said city, parties of the second part.

The report was accepted and the resolution unanimously adopted.

The following communication was received from the Board of Police:

POLICE DEPARTMENT, April 7, 1897. To the Honorable Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the Board of Police held this day, it was

Resolved, That, in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 350 of the Laws of 1892, as amended by chapter 495 of the Laws of 1895, the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund be and are hereby respectfully requested to consent to the acceptance of the proposal of J. L. Chapin to furnish and put in place in the new Ninth Precinct Station-house, Prison and Stable, all gas and electric fixtures, as per drawings and specifications, for the sum of \$625. The law referred to in the resolution is chapter 350, Laws of 1892, as amended by chapter 495, Laws of 1895.

Very respectfully, WM. H. KIPP, Chief Clerk.

In connection therewith the Comptroller submitted a report of Engineer McLean thereon, as follows:

FINANCE DEPARTMENT, May 11, 1897. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—The Police Department, by resolution adopted April 7, 1897, requests the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund to consent to the acceptance of the proposal of J. L. Chapin to furnish and put in place in the new Ninth Precinct Station-house, Prison and Stable all gas and electric fixtures, as per drawings and specifications, for the sum of \$625. The law referred to in the resolution is chapter 350, Laws of 1892, as amended by chapter 495, Laws of 1895.

Chapter 495, above referred to, requires that "the work of constructing the said building shall be done by contract, made at public letting, to the lowest bidder, pursuant to the general provisions of the laws and ordinances regulating the letting of contracts in the city of New York." \* \* \* And the said board of police is further authorized to provide for the fitting-up "and furnishing of any building or buildings hereunder erected, and to let at public contract, to the lowest bidder, the contract for the said fitting-up and furnishing of said buildings, the consent of the commissioners of the sinking fund of the city of New York to the said fitting-up "and furnishing being first had and obtained."

I am informed by Mr. Dufais, the architect on the work, that he was authorized by the Police Board to prepare plans and specifications for gas and electric fixtures, which he did; that bids were requested from parties engaged in this class of work, and that six bids were received. These bids were opened by the Chairman of the Committee of Repairs and Supplies of the Police Board, and that they ranged from \$625 to \$875.

The Police Board, by resolution adopted March 10, 1897—

"Resolved, That the proposal of J. L. Chapin, to furnish and put in place in the new Ninth Precinct Station-house, Prison and Stable all the gas and electric fixtures, as per drawings and specifications, for the sum of six hundred and twenty-five dollars, be and is hereby accepted."

Mr. Dufais states that a contract was made with Chapin, in conformity with the above resolution, and the work has been so far completed under it as to be ready to set up.

I have examined the bids, and have no doubt that by the method pursued a reasonable price was obtained.

The only objection to be urged is that the letting was not done in conformity with the law, which I have quoted above. The work should have been provided for by contract at public letting, on consent of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund first had and obtained.

Respectfully, EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.

After discussion the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund decline to approve of the acceptance of the proposal of J. L. Chapin to furnish and put in place gas and electric fixtures in the new Ninth Precinct Station-house, Prison and Stable, as requested by a resolution of the Board of



Police, adopted April 7, 1897, on the ground that said proposal was not submitted as required by law; and

Resolved, That the attention of the Board of Police be respectfully called to the provisions of section 8 of chapter 350 of the Laws of 1892, as amended by chapter 495 of the Laws of 1895, which provide that "the said board of police is further authorized to provide for the fitting up and furnishing of any building or buildings hereunder erected, and to let at public contract to the lowest bidder the contract for the said fitting up and furnishing of said buildings, the consent of the commissioners of the sinking fund of the city of New York to the said fitting up and furnishing being first had and obtained."

The following communication was received from the Commissioner of Street Improvements, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards:

COMMISSIONER OF STREET IMPROVEMENTS, TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH WARDS, April 30, 1897. *Sinking Fund Commission, Hon. WM. L. STRONG, Chairman:*

DEAR SIR—I submit herewith, for your approval and concurrence, under authority of chapter 404 of the Laws of 1896, plans and specifications for addition to new building in Crotona Park, and for alterations of the same, prepared by the architect employed by your Board, Mr. George B. Post.

Respectfully, LOUIS F. HAFEN, Commissioner.

Whereupon the Comptroller submitted a favorable report of Engineer McLean thereon, and offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 404 of the Laws of 1896, the plans and specifications for an addition to the new building in Crotona Park, erected for the use of the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, and for alterations thereto, prepared by Mr. George B. Post, architect, and approved by said Commissioner, be and the same are hereby approved, and that said specifications be transmitted to the Counsel to the Corporation for his approval as to form and for the preparation of forms of contract therefor; and

Resolved, That, when such forms of contract and specifications shall be thus approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation, the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized to advertise for bids or proposals for a period of at least ten consecutive days, in the CITY RECORD, and in the following public newspapers of the City of New York, viz.: The "Sun," the "Tribune," the "Evening Post," the "Mail and Express," the "Daily News,"

Which was unanimously adopted.

The following communication was received from Mr. Charles Henry Butler, Attorney for Mr. Henry J. Braker:

NO. 1402 BROADWAY, NEW YORK CITY, May 12, 1897. *To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York:*

GENTLEMEN—On April 7, 1897, I addressed to you a letter inclosing an offer of Henry J. Braker for the franchises to operate street railways through the streets named in the original franchises which have since been acquired by the Sixth and Eighth Avenue Railroad Companies. I subsequently addressed to several members of your Board another letter on April 26, 1897, practically repeating the offer, and also offering to appear before you at any time you might appoint and give you any further information desired in regard to my client's ability to carry out his offer, his good faith in making the same, and the way in which the properties would be managed if the offer were accepted.

As you are aware, Mr. Braker has offered the City \$1,000,000 for each franchise, in addition to whatever amount required to pay the present occupants for their improvements pursuant to the surrender clauses contained in the franchises of 1851, under which they still operate their respective railroads; the franchises to be subject to such regulations and conditions as shall be fixed by the Railroad Commissioners, Common Council, or other properly appointed officers, as to the use of the most improved motive power and the exchange of passengers with intersecting lines; as well as to the regular franchise tax, which shall, however, never be less than \$50,000 per annum on either road; i. e., a minimum total of \$100,000 for the two franchises.

The acceptance of Mr. Braker's offer, therefore, as the last-named amount equals the annual interest at 4 per cent. on \$2,500,000, all of which is in excess of the City's present income from the roads, means a practical extinguishment of \$4,500,000 of municipal indebtedness; and for that reason I consider that you, as the guardians and custodians of the City's property, are the proper persons to address in this matter, feeling sure, as I do, that in case you are convinced that the offer is made in good faith, you will accept the same, provided the City is in a legal position so to do. I therefore request, on behalf of Mr. Braker, that you will appoint a time convenient to yourselves when the offer can be presented in all its details, that it can be demonstrated to you:

First—That Mr. Braker has made his offer independently, in good faith, as a business proposition, and not on behalf of any other person or corporation, except such special corporation as shall necessarily be organized to operate these roads in compliance with the law in that respect.

Second—That Mr. Braker is prepared, and financially amply able to carry out his offer, as well as to furnish ample and satisfactory security for the faithful performance of all obligations of any contract the City may make with him in regard to the franchises.

Third—That Mr. Braker will furnish whatever money is necessary to enable the City to exercise its rights to compel the surrender of the roads, so that the City will be entirely relieved from the necessity of issuing any bonds in connection with the transaction.

Fourth—That Mr. Braker will immediately construct and equip both roads, with the most improved motive power and equipment, subject to approval of the Common Council and Railroad Commissioners.

Fifth—That Mr. Braker's proposition as to the transfer or exchange of passengers is more advantageous than the present system, which not only refuses to exchange transfers with competing lines, but ignores many opportunities to exchange passengers with intersecting or connecting lines forming part of the same system.

Sixth—That the City is in a position to enforce the surrender clauses of the contracts and to accept Mr. Braker's offer.

Seventh—That, in view of the changed conditions which will result with the taking effect of the new charter on January 1, 1898, the City will lose the benefits of Mr. Braker's offer unless it acts promptly and accepts it before any change in the status of affairs will either relieve him from its obligations or prevent the City from accepting it.

Eighth—That as, undoubtedly, the present occupants of the streets in question will contest the right of the City to re-enter, Mr. Braker will, on the City's acceptance of his offer, execute a collateral agreement to the effect that if for any cause it shall be ultimately decided that the City cannot carry out the proposition he will not only make no claim for damages against the City, but will amply indemnify the City, to the extent of at least \$100,000, against all loss, expenses and damages in any way sustained or incurred by it by reason of such acceptance, and attempt to enforce its legal rights.

Trusting that you will name an early date for this appointment, I remain, Yours respectfully, CHARLES HENRY BUTLER, Attorney for H. J. BRAKER.

Mr. Butler was heard in support of the application.

After discussion the Chamberlain offered the following:

Resolved, That the communication of Mr. Charles H. Butler, attorney for H. J. Braker, dated May 12, 1897, and addressed to this Board, in regard to the acquisition of the franchises of the Sixth and Eighth Avenue Railroad Companies, be and the same is hereby referred to the Counsel to the Corporation, with the request that he advise the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund in regard to their power to act on the same, at his earliest convenience, and, if possible, before June 1, 1897. Which was adopted, the Recorder voting in the negative.

The Comptroller presented letters from Robert W. de Forest, Esq., General Counsel of the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey, relative to the proposed sale of the ferry franchise from Liberty Street, North river, to Communipaw, N. J., together with report of Engineer McLean thereon, as follows:

CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY OF NEW JERSEY, LAW DEPARTMENT, NEW YORK, April 9, 1897. *Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller of the City of New York:*

DEAR SIR—Referring to the Jersey Central Ferry at Liberty street, and without any word from you as yet as to whether you will accept the same kind of bid that was accepted when the ferry franchise was last sold, I write to say that the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey will pay the increased upset price fixed by the Sinking Fund Commissioners, based upon the same form of lease last executed, which was drawn by Mr. William C. Whitney, then Corporation Counsel, with special reference to this ferry which, as you know, is practically an extension of the railroad to New York. The new form of lease now proposed contains covenants which, in my opinion, would give the right to any future successful bidder to deprive the railroad company not only of its boats but of all its terminal property in Jersey City used for ferry purposes at an appraised value. However appropriate such a covenant may be in the lease of a ferry, the landing places of which on both sides are owned by the City or to which railroad business is a mere incident, it is not appropriate to what is practically a railroad ferry, because it would enable a competitor to become possessed of the railroad company's only access to New York and to ruin the railroad company's business by failing to run boats in close connection with trains.

Should there be any difficulty in accepting the bid I proposed under the present advertisement or under the present resolution of the Sinking Fund Commissioners, it will be merely a matter of a little time to alter either or both so as to sell the franchise under the form of the former lease, and in such event, I will undertake, in behalf of the railroad company, to at once begin payment of the rent at the increased rate and to pay any expense of readvertising, so that the revenues of the City will in nowise be diminished.

Trusting that these suggestions will meet your approval, I am Respectfully yours, ROBERT W. DE FOREST, General Counsel.

CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY OF NEW JERSEY, LAW DEPARTMENT, NEW YORK, April 17, 1897. *Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller of the City of New York, No. 280 Broadway, City:*

DEAR SIR—Referring to sale of the Liberty Street Ferry franchise and postponement of sale at my request, and more particularly to my conversation with you on the subject at our last interview,

I fully agree with you that the matter should again be brought before the Sinking Fund Commissioners in order to enable you to sell the ferry under a form of lease containing proper covenants.

The form of lease agreed to between the Hon. William C. Whitney, then Corporation Counsel, and myself with special reference to this particular ferry and embodied in the lease of 1881, will be satisfactory to the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey, and should, I think, be also satisfactory to the City. The railroad company will accept your views and those of the Sinking Fund Commissioners as to the increased rental and bid for a lease upon these terms. I will also so arrange on the part of the railroad company that the new lease when made shall go into effect as of the date when it would have taken effect had the franchise been bid for by the railroad company on the day first fixed for the sale, so that the revenue of the City shall not be impaired in any respect by the postponement.

Yours truly, ROBERT W. DE FOREST, General Counsel.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT. April 30, 1897. *Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:*

SIR—Robert W. de Forest, Esq., General Counsel for the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey, in communication of April 9, 1897, says: "Referring to the Jersey Central Ferry at Liberty street, and without any word from you as yet as to whether you will accept the same kind of bid that was accepted when the ferry franchise was last sold, I write to say that the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey will pay the increased upset price fixed by the Sinking Fund Commissioners, based upon the same form of lease last executed, which was drawn by Mr. William C. Whitney, then Corporation Counsel, with special reference to this ferry, which, as you know, is practically an extension of the railroad to New York. The new form of lease now proposed contains covenants which, in my opinion, would give the right to any future successful bidder to deprive the railroad company not only of its boats, but of all its terminal property in Jersey City used for ferry purposes, at an appraised value. However appropriate such a covenant may be in the lease of a ferry, the landing place of which on both sides are owned by the City or to which railroad business is a mere incident, it is not appropriate to what is practically a railroad ferry, because it would enable a competitor to become possessed of the railroad company's only access to New York and to ruin the railroad company's business by failing to run boats in close connection with trains."

In his communication of April 17, 1897, Mr. de Forest says: "The form of lease agreed to between the Hon. William C. Whitney, then Corporation Counsel, and myself with special reference to this particular ferry and embodied in the lease of 1881, will be satisfactory to the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey, and should, I think, be also satisfactory to the City. The railroad company will accept your views and those of the Sinking Fund Commissioners as to the increased rental, and bid for a lease upon these terms. I will also so arrange on the part of the railroad company that the new lease when made shall go into effect as of the date when it would have taken effect, had the franchise been bid for by the railroad company on the day first fixed for the sale, so that the revenue of the City shall not be impaired in any respect by the postponement."

The covenant in the new lease, to which Mr. de Forest objects, is as follows: "And the said parties of the first part do for themselves, etc. \* \* \* In case any person or corporation other than the present lessee shall, at the expiration of said term, become the purchaser of the franchise and license to operate said ferry, together with the wharf property hereby demised, for a new term, the said person or corporation shall purchase of the said party of the second part and the said party of the second part for \* \* \* and assigns hereby agreed to sell, at a fair appraised valuation, the boats, buildings and other property of the said party of the second part or assigns, used in, and actually necessary for, the operation of said ferry." The covenant continues, by defining the particulars of the manner of making the appraisement.

This covenant was introduced into the proposed lease in conformity with the resolution adopted by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, December 9, 1896, as follows: "And the lease shall also contain a covenant providing for the purchase, at a fair valuation, of the boats, buildings and other property of the lessees used in and actually necessary for the operation of said ferry, upon the termination of the lease, and the surrender and the delivery of the premises by the lessees, if the lessees shall not become the purchasers for another term, but The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York shall not be deemed thereby to covenant to purchase said property in any event."

At this meeting the minimum or upset price was fixed at \$9,000 per annum for the franchise, and \$1,000 per annum for land under water and wharf property. This is the price which Mr. de Forest agrees to for his company.

The covenant as to purchase of ferry property, in case of the actual lessee not being the successful bidder, has been habitually inserted in ferry leases for a number of years, apparently in conformity with the following resolution adopted by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund at a meeting held March 31, 1891: "Resolved, That, where practicable, all ferry leases shall contain a covenant similar to that in the lease to the Union Ferry Company, providing for the purchase, at a fair appraised valuation, of the boats, buildings and other property used in, and actually necessary for the operation of the ferries, upon the termination of the lease, and the surrender and yielding up of the premises by the lessee, if the lessee shall not become purchaser of the franchise for another term."

I have always understood that this covenant was advantageous to the actual lessees, and was introduced for their protection.

I do not know how far the resolution above quoted is binding upon the present Commissioners, but the words "where practicable" allow of some variation.

The contention of Mr. de Forest that the covenant "would give the right to any future successful bidder to deprive the railroad company, not only of its boats, but of all its terminal property in Jersey City used for ferry purposes, at an appraised value," appears to me to be just in respect to this company, and the covenant might be considered impracticable.

If my understanding, that this covenant is made for the protection of the actual lessee, be correct, and that actual lessee objects for the reason that it would be detrimental to his interests, my opinion is that it ought to be left out of the new lease.

Respectfully, EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.

Mr. de Forest was heard on behalf of the company.

After discussion, the matter was laid over.

The Comptroller submitted the following report of Engineer McLean of the Finance Department, relative to the proposed sale of the ferry franchise from Twenty-third street, East river, to Greenpoint, Long Island.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT, March 27, 1897. *Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:*

DEAR SIR—In my report of June 29, 1896, on ferries, I say, with regard to the ferry from East Twenty-third street to Greenpoint, Brooklyn, as follows:

"Present lessee, the Tenth Street and Twenty-third Street Ferry Company.

"Period, five years from June 1, 1891.

"Consideration—For franchise five per cent. of the gross receipts on the New York side, but not to be less than \$10,000 per annum.

"For wharf property \$10,000—total, \$20,000.

"The average gross receipts of this ferry for the four years from 1891 to 1894, inclusive, was \$190,678.97, and 5 per cent. on this amount is \$9,533.95.

"The wharf property occupied by the ferry structures is in area 36,000 square feet, which, at 25 cents per square foot, the ordinary charge, amounts to \$9,000 per annum.

"In my opinion the amount paid by the company by the present lease, viz.: not less than \$10,000 for franchise, and \$10,000 for wharf property, is reasonable and fair."

The matter came before the Sinking Fund Commissioners, and the representative of the company stated that a considerable amount more was paid for wharf property, but he could not tell how much, or, in fact, anything about it. The consideration of the matter was laid over or deferred.

An inquiry being made at the Dock Department, that Department reports, in letter of February 26, 1897, that "the records of this Department show that there has been collected from the Greenpoint Ferry Company from June 1, 1891, to the present time, \$4,100 per annum for the bulkhead south of East Twenty-fourth street, north of the ferry premises."

The 36,000 square feet, which I reported, is the amount on the map furnished by the Dock Department as the premises occupied for ferry purposes.

Mr. Wm. A. Jenner, in his letter of January 15, 1897, to the Comptroller, states correctly that the lease to the Union Ferry Company which expired May 1, 1891, contained a provision allowing the municipal authorities to proceed with the improvement of the water front, etc., and that the lease now in force contained no such provision.

He says: "The propriety of the omission is emphasized by the fact that the Dock Department is now proposing to improve the bulkhead and piers by extending the same further into the river at one of the slips occupied by the Union Ferry Company, without regard to the fact that new structures were erected by the ferry company, at very large expense, within about a year, and without regard to the interruption of the ferry during the proposed alterations."

Why this provision was left out of the lease of 1893 of the Union Ferry Company, I do not know.

Mr. Jenner, in his letter of March 9 instant, says: "I desire to say that my clients will not bid for the franchise if the provision permitting the City to re-enter for bulkhead improvement is in the lease. They desire a lease similar to that of the Union Ferry Company in that respect."

The Dock Department, in letter of March 18, 1897, to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, requests that in the future in selling leases of ferry franchises, together "with wharf property necessary for the operation of same to provide that said leases may be cancelled whenever the property used for ferry purposes is required by the Department of Docks for the improvement of the water-front under the 'new plan.'"

The letter further says: "This Board has always understood that such a provision was inserted in all leases of ferry premises, but it appears that in the case of Catharine Street Ferry this clause was omitted."

The Catharine Street Ferry is one of those embraced in the Union Ferry Company's lease of 1893.



In my opinion, the request of the Dock Department is reasonable and proper.

I do not think it can be reasonably contended that the City should deprive itself of the power to carry on the improvement of the water-front, in accordance with law, in order to serve the interests of any party whatever.

If this power be not specially reserved the water-front might be kept in an unfinished and unsatisfactory condition for an indefinite number of years.

I am decidedly of the opinion that the clause objected to by Mr. Jenner should be introduced into every ferry franchise or lease.

I inclose herewith a copy of the clause complained of by Mr. Jenner, as it is in the last lease with this company. It will be seen that it reserved the unlimited right to enter upon the property and make such extension or improvement as may be deemed necessary.

Mr. Jenner does not appear to object to a small increase on the last lease; he mentions \$50. Respectfully,  
EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.

#### Recapitulation.

Present lease, 5 per cent. of gross receipts, not less than \$10,000, and \$10,000 for wharf property.

Average gross receipts from 1891 to 1894, inclusive, \$190,678.97, 5 per cent. of which is \$9,523.95.

36,000 square feet used for ferry purposes, at 25 cents, \$9,000.

Clause in present lease allows the unlimited right of the City to enter on property for purposes of improving water-front.

Mr. Jenner says correctly this right was in the lease of Union Ferry Company which expired 1891, but was left out of that which expires in 1901.

He says his company will not bid if lease contains the clause. Dock Department requests that the clause be inserted in all leases.

My opinion is given that it should be so inserted.

Mr. Jenner will agree to a small increase on lease.

EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.

And it is further mutually covenanted and agreed that if at any time during the said term of five years hereby granted, the parties of the first part, or their proper department, officers or officer shall decide to extend or otherwise improve the wharf property hereby demised, or any portion thereof, in the manner provided by law, they shall have the right to enter upon said property and make such extension or improvement. And the party of the second part, its successors and assigns, shall not claim, nor shall the parties of the first part be liable to pay any damages by reason of the improvement of said wharf property or any portion thereof, nor on account of any structures or improvements that may have been erected by the party of the second part, and upon such improvement of such wharf property having been completed, the said party of the second part, its successors and assigns, shall have the right to enter into and upon such extension or other improvement so made and to use and enjoy the same in lieu of the premises heretofore demised, and said party of the second part, its successors and assigns, will pay to said parties of the first part, their successors or assigns, as consideration and rent for the same yearly and every year during the remainder of said term, in the manner as hereinbefore provided, such consideration and rent hereinbefore reserved, and will also pay in the same manner and at the same time such other sum in addition as shall be agreed upon and fixed, as follows:

The parties of the first part hereto shall nominate one disinterested person and the party of the second part, its successors and assigns, shall nominate another disinterested person, the persons so nominated, before proceeding further, shall agree upon a third person to act as umpire.

Thereupon the said additional sum shall be fixed by the agreement of two of said three persons.

And it is further covenanted and agreed that if at any time during the said term of years hereby granted, the parties of the first part shall decide to extend or improve the wharf property hereby demised, or any portion thereof, as provided by law, then and in that case only the ferry structures herein authorized to be erected, kept and maintained, are to be removed at the sole expense of the party of the second part within sixty days after having been duly notified so to do by the said parties of the first part, or other proper board or officer or officers, without liability of the City of New York for any loss or damage whatever on account of such removal.

And the said party of the second part hereby further covenants and agrees that in case the wharf property hereby demised shall be improved in the manner provided by law by the parties of the first part upon entering into and upon the premises as improved, which said premises so improved are to be used in lieu of the premises hereby demised, the said party of the second part, its successors and assigns, shall and will at its or their own proper costs, charges and expenses, build, erect, make and furnish, and at all times during the remainder of said term hereby demised will well and sufficiently uphold, maintain and keep in good order and substantial repair the necessary ferry structures, racks, bridges, platforms, floats and other structures at each landing place of the said ferry rendered necessary by the improvement, in accordance with law, of the hereinafore described wharf property.

And the parties of the first part assume under this lease no responsibility to provide or furnish the said ferry structures, racks, bridges, platforms, floats or fixtures or any or either of them to be constructed upon such premises improved, as hereinbefore provided, or to permit the use thereof of any such property belonging to The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, the said party of the second part taking all the responsibility with reference thereto.

William A. Jenner, Esq., attorney, was heard on behalf of the present lessees of the ferry.

After discussion the matter was laid over.

The Comptroller presented a communication from J. Archibald Murray, Esq., attorney, relative to the proposed sale of the ferry franchise, from Piers 2 and 3, East river, to Thirty-ninth street, South Brooklyn, together with a report of Engineer McLean, as follows:

NEW YORK, April 20, 1897. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

DEAR SIR—In the matter of the ferry franchise from Piers 2 and 3, East river, to Thirty-ninth street, South Brooklyn, I am in receipt of yours of the 17th instant, stating that after consideration you are willing to consent to the change in the resolution to be adopted by the Sinking Fund Commissioners (and also in the terms of sale), suggested in my letter of the 5th instant, namely, that the resolution and terms of sale should contain a provision that the boats, buildings and other property of the present lessees of the franchise be purchased by the new lessee at a price to be determined upon by arbitration.

The other change suggested by me in my letter of April 5, I understand, was in part acceded to by you, and that you consent that the terms of sale should omit all reference to wharf property, inasmuch as the City owns no wharf property between Piers 2 and 3, East river.

Believing that the speediest way of bringing this matter before you concisely is to submit proposed terms of sale which embody the suggestions made by me, and which I understand are approved by you, I take the liberty of inclosing such proposed form, in regard to which I shall be glad at any time to confer with your representative or the Corporation Counsel.

Beyond the changes above adverted to, I have made no amendments to the terms as already advertised, except to leave out any reference to a guaranteed minimum (for the reasons stated to you by Mr. Cutting this morning), and except a change in reference to the surrender of the wharf property owned by private individuals and leased by the ferry company, between Piers 2 and 3, East river. Inasmuch as the ferry company is obliged to pay rent for this wharf property at all times, it would seem proper, in case the Department of Docks requires the same in order to proceed with any water-front improvements in that vicinity, the ferry company should receive reasonable compensation for the period during which the wharf property is surrendered.

Very truly yours, J. ARCHIBALD MURRAY.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT, April 22, 1897. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—In the matter of the ferry franchise from Piers 2 and 3, East river, to Thirty-ninth street, Brooklyn, Mr. Archibald Murray, in his letter of the 20th instant, submits an advertisement for the sale of the franchise, which embodies the views of the ferry company.

Mr. Murray, insists on leaving out "all reference to wharf property, inasmuch as the City owns no wharf property between Piers 2 and 3, East river." In this assertion I think there is no consideration given to the fact that the City owns the street entire, the grantees only owning the wharfage rights and privileges on the line of the bulkhead—every thing inside and outside of this line belongs absolutely to the City. So that I think the designation "wharf property" should not be left out.

He also suggests that the minimum rate, \$7,000, fixed by the resolution of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, adopted December 9, 1896, be left out. This would leave the compensation or rent five per cent. on the gross receipts.

In my report on this ferry, June 29, 1896, I give the average payments by this ferry per year, for the three years ending February, 1896, as \$6,594.12. This was on the basis of 5 per cent. on the gross receipts.

I then say "the land under water occupied by this ferry is, in area, 18,375 square feet, which, at 25 cents per square foot, the ordinary charge, amounts to \$4,593.75."

I suggested, as a fair rental, \$6,000 per annum, and for land under water, \$4,593.75 per annum—total, \$10,593.75.

"At the meeting of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund October 28, 1896, the Comptroller recommended that 5 per cent. of the gross receipts, not to be less than \$7,000 per annum, be fixed as the upset price for the franchise, and the sum of \$4,593.75 as the upset price for the rental of the land under water."

At the same time he suggested a hearing on the subject.

On December 9, 1896, this hearing took place, and a resolution was adopted fixing the upset price at 5 per cent. of the gross receipts of said ferry, not to be less, however, than \$7,000 per annum, together with the wharf property and land under water now occupied and used by the New York and South Ferry and Transportation Company, the annual rental of which is hereby appraised and fixed at one dollar (\$1).

I think this upset price is as low as it can reasonably be made, and I would not advise omitting the minimum rental, \$7,000, as suggested by Mr. Murray.

In the form of advertisement submitted by Mr. Murray it is proposed, "In case any person or corporation other than the New York and South Brooklyn Ferry and Steam Transportation Company shall become the purchaser of said franchise at the sale to be held as above stated, the said person or corporation will be required to purchase and said ferry company will be required to sell, at a fair appraised valuation, the boats, real estate and other property of said ferry company used in, and actually necessary, for the operation of said ferry."

In the present lease there is no clause or covenant requiring this purchase to be made at this sale. At the same time I see no objection to it, but I would leave out the words "real estate" proposed, confining it to the "boats and other property" used in, and actually necessary for the operation of the ferry.

The last suggestion of Mr. Murray is with reference to the covenant allowing the Department of Docks to proceed with water-front improvements, in which it is proposed "that if at any time during the term of the lease the Department of Docks shall require any of the lessees' wharf property used for ferry purposes in order to proceed with water-front improvements in the vicinity of the ferry landings, the said lessee shall surrender and vacate the premises upon reasonable compensation being made, upon written notice being given to the lessees three months in advance of the intention of said Department."

I would object to the words "upon reasonable compensation being made." I think the wording of the resolution adopted December 9, 1896, should be adhered to, as follows: "Also, that if at any time during the term of the lease the Department of Docks shall require any of the wharf property used for ferry purposes in order to proceed with the water-front improvements in the vicinity of the ferry landings, the said lessee shall surrender and vacate the premises without any claim upon the City for any damages whatever, upon written notice being given to the lessees three months in advance of the intention of said Department."

I give below the covenant covering this point in the franchise of the ferry from foot of Twenty-third street, North river, which appears to me what would be right as to the ferry under consideration:

"And it is further mutually covenanted and agreed that if at any time during the said term of years the parties of the first part or the Department of Docks of the City of New York, or other proper board or officer of said City, shall determine to proceed with the improvement of the water-front in the vicinity of the landing place of said ferry in the City of New York, and shall require for such improvement any of the slips, racks, bulkhead or other wharf property hereby demised, the said parties of the second part shall surrender and yield up to the said parties of the first part the said wharf property, bulkhead, slips and racks so required as aforesaid, upon receiving three months' notice so to do, from the said parties of the first part, or the said Department, board or officer without any liability on the part of the parties of the first part, for any damages suffered by said parties of the second part, its successors or assigns, and without any claim on the part of said party of the second part for any damages whatever, anything herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding."

"And in case the whole of said wharf property shall be taken, the party of the second part, its legal representatives and assigns, shall not be required to pay rent for any time after the said wharf property shall have been surrendered and vacated, and this lease shall from thenceforth cease, determine and end. But in case only a portion of the said wharf property, or only temporary possession of the whole or a portion of said wharf property shall be required by the said parties of the first part for the purposes aforesaid, then and in such case the parties of the first part will make a reasonable deduction from the rent herein agreed to be paid."

Respectfully,  
EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.

Mr. Murray was heard on behalf of the New York and South Brooklyn Ferry and Transportation Company, the present lessees of the ferry.

After discussion, the matter was laid over.

The Comptroller presented a communication from William J. Kelly, Esq., attorney, relative to the proposed sale of the ferry franchise between Pine street, East river, and Long Island City, together with a report of Engineer McLean thereon, as follows:

THE LONG ISLAND RAILROAD COMPANY, No. 192 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, April 10, 1897. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

DEAR SIR—On examination of the notice of sale of franchise to operate annex boat between Pine street and Long Island City, I find that there are certain provisions in the notice and in the proposed lease which I examined at your office this morning which make it impossible for this company to bid. I also think that the provisions are not in accordance with your understanding of the situation. At your request I sent you last fall a statement showing the receipts and expenditures from the operation of the annex boat for a number of years past, which showed that the company netted a loss each year from the operation, and five per cent. on the receipts would not amount to the upset price which you have fixed for the privilege for this year. The railroad company, however, was willing to accept your terms so far as paying \$500 a year was concerned.

This route is not a ferry, and is operated simply in the summer months to carry railroad passengers between the lower part of New York and Long Island City. The boat which is used for the purpose is owned by outside parties and runs a specified number of trips per day for a sum guaranteed by the company, the boat taking the receipts from tickets.

The lease which is proposed for signature contains the following clauses which make it impracticable:

(1) It provides for a five-years' term. The company cannot bid for more than one year at a time, because with the contemplated tunnel or bridge connections, the situation may be entirely altered within five years. We would be willing to make the agreement for the summer season of 1897.

(2) It is provided that the boat shall be operated at all times during the term. The annex boat is only used during the summer season.

(3) It provides that one or two ferry-boats shall be operated, equipped for carrying vehicles and animals as well as foot passengers. This has never been done, and there are no facilities for carrying vehicles on the boats nor facilities for loading or unloading them at either end. The boat is used entirely by railroad passengers.

(4) The lease provides that gates similar to those in use on the Hoboken ferry shall be provided.

It seems to me that we ought to be able to agree upon some form of contract which would protect the rights of the City and accord with your ideas as stated to me at our interview last fall, and the railroad company is willing to meet you or the Corporation Counsel in an effort to make such a contract; but, for the reasons above stated, it is absolutely impossible for us to bid on the franchise on Monday. The lease is apparently drawn as in the case of a regularly established ferry and can hardly apply to this annex boat, which is operated solely for the convenience of passengers, and, as above stated, nets a loss each year to the company.

I would request that the sale be adjourned for such time as to give the company an opportunity to meet your representative in an effort to draft a suitable agreement.

Very respectfully,  
WILLIAM J. KELLY, Attorney.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT, May 3, 1897. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—In the matter of the Pine Street Ferry, I have to report:

This ferry was established by an ordinance of the Common Council, approved by the Mayor, June 8, 1880, "from Hunter's Point to Jersey City, with the right to make intermediate landings at Jewell's Wharf, Brooklyn, Long Island, and at a point on the East river, near Pine street. The Long Island Railroad Company run a passenger boat for the accommodation of its passengers between Pine street and Hunter's Point and Fulton street, Brooklyn, and Jersey City."

The above is quoted from the report of the Comptroller contained in the minutes of the Sinking Fund Commissioners January 22, 1881.

At the meeting of March 30, 1881, the price was fixed for the "franchise of the ferry from the foot of Pine street, East river, to Hunter's Point, Long Island, at a rental of five per cent. on the gross receipts per annum, payable quarterly, for the term of five years from May 1, 1881."

On May 26, 1881, this ferry was advertised for sale for a term of five years from May 1, 1881. It is to be presumed that the ferry was sold at that time, and at five per cent. on gross receipts, but there can be found no lease, though the receipts have been regular since that time at that rate.

From all the information I can obtain from the Bureau for the Collection of City Revenue, there has been no lease since the first sale, and there is a pencil record that the lease was not executed, and that the payments have been made without any lease, always at the price first fixed by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

On the 9th of December, 1896, the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund adopted a resolution—"That the Comptroller be and hereby is authorized to advertise a sale at public auction to the highest bidder, as provided by law and the ordinances of the Common Council, of the lease of the franchise of the ferry from the foot of Pine street (Pier 17), East river, New York, to Long Island City, for a term of five years, upon the following appraisement of the minimum or upset price and value thereof, namely, five per cent. on the gross receipts of said ferry, not to be less, however, than five hundred dollars per annum."

William J. Kelly, Esq., attorney for the Long Island Railroad Company, in communication of April 10, 1897, says: "On examination of the notice of sale of franchise to operate annex boat between Pine street and Long Island City, I find that there are certain provisions in the notice and in the proposed lease \* \* \* which make it impossible for this company to bid." He says that the company has netted a loss each year from the operation of the annex boat, "and 5 per cent. on the receipts would not amount to the upset price which you have fixed for this year. The railroad company, however, was willing to accept your terms so far as paying \$500 a year was concerned."

He says, "This route is not a ferry, and is operated simply in the summer months to carry railroad passengers between the lower part of New York and Long Island City." The boat used for the purpose is owned by outside parties and runs a specified number of trips per day for a sum guaranteed by the company, the boat taking the receipts from tickets.

He says that the lease proposed for signature contains the following clauses, which make it impracticable:



"1. It provides for a five years' term. The company cannot bid for more than one year at a time, because with the contemplated tunnel or bridge connections, the situation may be entirely altered within five years. We would be willing to make the agreement for the summer season of 1897.

"2. It is provided that the boat shall be operated at all times during the term. The annex boat is only used during the summer season.

"It provides that one or two ferry-boats shall be operated, equipped for carrying vehicles and animals as well as foot passengers. This has never been done, and there are no facilities for carrying vehicles on the boats, nor facilities for loading or unloading them at either end. The boat is used entirely by railroad passengers.

"4. The lease provides that gates similar to those in use on the Hoboken Ferry shall be provided.

Mr. Kelly says, "The lease is apparently drawn as in the case of a regularly established ferry, and can hardly apply to this annex boat which is operated solely for the convenience of passengers, and, as above stated, nets a loss each year to the company."

Mr. Kelly's statement that this is not a ferry is not far wrong—it is so only in name, and by the official designation. The only privilege given by the City is to land certain boats for taking on and landing passengers, at the end of the private Pier No. 17, near the foot of Pine street, which end alone belongs to the City. There are none of "the necessary docks, slips, ferry structures, racks, bridges, platforms, floats and other fixtures" which are referred to in one of the covenants of the proposed lease.

I think the railroad company is in the right in making the objections, Nos. 2, 3 and 4, to certain provisions in the proposed form of lease, and it appears to me that a new lease should be drawn up which would meet the exact requirements, the present one, as alleged by Mr. Kelly, being "apparently drawn as in the case of a regularly established ferry," with all the "necessary docks, slips," etc., which this is not.

In the matter of the term which is objected to by Mr. Kelly, why could not the lease be made for one year, with the privilege of renewal for four additional years?

Respectfully, EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.

Which was laid over.

The Comptroller submitted the following report of Engineer McLean of the Finance Department, relative to the proposed sale of the ferry franchise, from Twenty-third street, North river, to Pavonia avenue, Jersey City:

FINANCE DEPARTMENT, April 16, 1897. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—The franchise for the ferry, from the foot of Twenty-third street, North river, to and from a point at or near the foot of Pavonia avenue, Jersey City, to the New York, Lake Erie and Western Railroad Company, expires May 1, 1897, the term of the present lease or franchise being for ten years from May 1, 1887.

The amount paid on the present lease is \$10,000 per annum, including the wharf property.

The receipts of this ferry on the New York side from 1890 to 1896, inclusive, were as follows: 1890, \$51,899.72; 1891, \$54,366.72; 1892, \$52,693.40; 1893, \$52,393.69; 1894, \$50,254.31; 1895, \$52,103.33; 1896, \$53,636.98—total, \$367,348.15. Yearly average for 7 years, \$52,478.31. 5 per cent on this yearly average is \$2,623.90.

The area of the property covered by the ferry structures, according to the map furnished by the Department of Docks, is 36,868 square feet, and at the usual charge of 25 cents per square foot this would amount to \$9,217.

In the present lease only the bulk sum of \$10,000, including the wharf property, is named.

I have no knowledge as to how the amount is made up.

According to the charges made of late, viz.: 5 per cent. on receipts, and 25 cents per foot for property occupied, the charge to be made for this ferry would be \$11,840.91.

The area covered by structures now is at least 4,000 square feet greater than when the present lease was made, which, at 25 cents per square foot, would be \$1,000, which, added to the present charge of \$10,000, would make \$11,000.

I would propose the amount above given, \$11,840.91, as a fair charge to make for the new franchise.

Respectfully, EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.

William F. Merrill, Esq., Vice-President, was heard on behalf of the New York, Lake Erie and Western Railroad Company, the present lessees of the ferry.

After discussion the matter was laid over.

Adjourned.

EDGAR J. LEVEY, Secretary.

Proceedings of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund at a Meeting held at the Comptroller's Office at 12 o'clock M., on Friday, May 21, 1897.

Present—William L. Strong, Mayor; Ashbel P. Fitch, Comptroller; Anson G. McCook, Chamberlain, and John T. Oakley, Chairman Committee on Finance, Board of Aldermen.

The reading of the minutes of May 13, 1897, was dispensed with.

The Board met for the purpose of opening the proposals for furnishing and equipping the Public Building in Crotona Park, for the use of the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, pursuant to chapter 720 of the Laws of 1896, and resolutions of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, adopted February 8 and May 6, 1897.

The bids were opened by the Comptroller in the presence of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund and announced as follows:

Andrews' Manufacturing Company, \$12,182; Daniel F. Butcher, \$13,893.75; The M. Ohmeis' Sons Company, \$15,643.76; The Manhattan Supply Company, \$11,447.

The following communication was received from Ambrose E. Barnes & Bro.:

NEW YORK, May 21, 1897. Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

GENTLEMEN—We are obliged to decline to bid on the furnishing of Public Building, Crotona Park, for the reason that but thirty days are given for the completion of this contract, and a penalty of \$20 per day for every day exceeding that time is exacted.

We claim and believe that no one can make this furniture according to requirements and complete contract in thirty days. If we thought we could take this contract and be certain of an extension of time, we would be glad to figure on it, but no such assurance is given by your Honorable Body.

We would therefore protest against this contract being awarded unless time limit is strictly adhered to. Feeling sure that such being the case, no one will accept the contract, thus requiring new bids with extension of time, when we shall be pleased to put in our figures.

Respectfully, A. E. BARNES & BRO.

Which was ordered on file.

The Comptroller offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the contract for furnishing and equipping the public building in Crotona Park, for the use of the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, pursuant to chapter 720 of the Laws of 1896, be and the same is hereby awarded to the Manhattan Supply Company, at their bid of eleven thousand four hundred and forty-seven dollars, and that the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized to return the security deposits to the unsuccessful bidders therefor; and

Resolved, That for the purpose of providing means to defray the expense thereof, the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized to issue, from time to time, as may be required, "Consolidated Stock of the City of New York," as provided by said chapter 720 of the Laws of 1896, and section 132 of the the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, to an amount not exceeding eleven thousand four hundred and forty-seven dollars (\$11,447), redeemable in not less than twenty nor more than fifty years, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum.

Which was unanimously adopted.

Adjourned.

EDGAR J. LEVEY, Secretary.

#### APPROVED PAPERS.

Approved Papers for the week ending June 12, 1897.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to J. Schneider to place, erect and keep show-windows in front of his premises, One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street and Third avenue, provided said show-windows do not extend beyond twelve inches from the house-line, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen June 1, 1897. Approved by the Mayor June 4, 1897.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Thomas Schneider to erect, place and keep an additional pilaster in front of his premises on Union avenue, ninety-five feet northerly from the northwesterly corner of One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street and Union avenue, as shown upon the accompanying diagram, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen May 25, 1897. Approved by the Mayor June 7, 1897.

Resolved, That, pursuant to section 91 of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the local and special laws affecting public interest in the City of New York," as amended by chapter 412 of the Laws of 1883, the Common Council of the City of New York hereby designates as an additional place for the holding of a City Magistrates' Court and Jail Delivery, to be held in and for the City and County of New York, the court-house situate in the block bounded by Eighth and Ninth avenues, Fifty-third and Fifty-fourth streets, and that accommodation suitable for the purposes of said court and jail delivery be assigned in said court-house.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen May 25, 1897. Approved by the Mayor June 8, 1897.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to John Higan to place and keep an ornamental lamp-post and lamp in front of No. 802 Ninth avenue, within the stoop-line, provided the lamp be kept lighted during the same hours as the public lamps; that the post shall not

exceed the dimensions prescribed by law (eighteen inches square at the base), the lamp not to exceed two feet in diameter and not to be used for advertising purposes; the work to be done and gas supplied at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen May 25, 1897. Approved by the Mayor June 8, 1897.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to William Sternkopf to erect, place and keep show-windows in front of the premises No. 13 Chrystie street, provided that said show-windows do not extend more than twelve inches from the house-line, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen May 25, 1897. Approved by the Mayor June 8, 1897.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Felix A. Mulgrew to lay a one and one-half inch iron pipe for conveying steam from his premises on East Eighth street, one hundred feet west of the bulkhead-line of the East river, to the opposite side of said street, as shown upon the accompanying diagram, upon payment of the usual fee, provided said Mulgrew shall stipulate with the Commissioner of Public Works to save the City harmless from any loss or damage that may be occasioned during the progress or subsequent to the completion of the work of laying said pipe, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen May 25, 1897. Approved by the Mayor June 8, 1897.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to H. O. Havemeyer to place and keep a storm-door in front of his premises on the north side of Prince street, between Broadway and Crosby street, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen May 25, 1897. Approved by the Mayor June 8, 1897.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to John P. Roth Benevolent Association to place and keep a transparency on the lamp-post on the northeast corner Second street and Avenue A, the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only for two weeks from the date of approval by his Honor the Mayor.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen May 25, 1897. Approved by the Mayor June 8, 1897.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Sunlight Commercial Company to place their lamps on the lamp-posts on Lexington avenue, between Fortieth and Forty-first streets, said lamps to be so placed to give the said company an opportunity to demonstrate their practicability for street lighting purposes, the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen May 25, 1897. Approved by the Mayor June 8, 1897.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to L. D. Stephens to place, erect and keep show-windows in front of his premises, No. 81 New street, provided said show-windows shall not extend more than twelve inches from the house-line, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen May 25, 1897. Approved by the Mayor June 8, 1897.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Harris Freedman and Barnett Feinberg to erect, place and keep show-windows in front of their premises, Nos. 13 and 15 Monroe street, provided said show-windows do not extend more than twelve inches from the house-line, the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen May 25, 1897. Approved by the Mayor June 8, 1897.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Suburban Club of the City of New York to keep and maintain a bulletin-board attached to the southerly girder of the railroad bridge at the southwest corner of Park avenue and Tremont avenue, provided said bulletin-board shall not extend out further than the coping of said girder, the work to be done and the materials supplied at its own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen May 25, 1897. Approved by the Mayor June 8, 1897.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to T. B. Clark to place, erect and keep show-windows in front of his premises on the southeast corner of One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street and Boston road, provided said show-windows shall in no case extend beyond twelve inches from the house-line, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen May 25, 1897. Approved by the Mayor June 8, 1897.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Mary Schaefer to place, erect and keep show-windows in front of her premises, on the east side of Brook avenue, from a point fifty feet north of One Hundred and Forty-fifth street to a point fifty feet south of One Hundred and Forty-sixth street, provided said show-windows shall in no case extend beyond twelve inches from house-line, the work to be done at her own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen May 25, 1897. Approved by the Mayor June 8, 1897.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Harry C. Hart to place, erect and keep two show-windows in front of his premises, No. 2997 Third avenue, provided said show-windows shall not extend more than twelve inches from the house-line, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen May 25, 1897. Approved by the Mayor June 8, 1897.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to John Frees to place, erect and keep four chimneys in front of his premises on the southeast corner of One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street and Cortlandt avenue, said chimneys to be erected above the first floor and not to extend beyond four inches from the house-line, as shown upon the accompanying diagram, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen May 25, 1897. Approved by the Mayor June 8, 1897.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the following-named persons, whose applications for stands have been indorsed by the Aldermen of the districts in which they are to be located, to erect, keep and maintain stands for the sale of newspapers, periodicals, fruit and soda-water and for bootblacking purposes, within the stoop-lines, at the location set respectively opposite their names, and in compliance with the provisions of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance to regulate the use of the sidewalks of the streets of the City of New York, within the stoop-lines, for stands, etc.":

#### First Assembly District.

##### FRUIT STANDS.

Charles Jacobs, 219 Hudson street.

#### Second Assembly District.

##### FRUIT STANDS.

Antonio Garaventa, 90 Wall street.

##### SODA-WATER STANDS.

Simon Cohen, 76 Mott street.

#### Third Assembly District.

##### FRUIT STANDS.

Raffaele Capozzolo, 128 Mulberry street.

##### SODA-WATER STANDS.

Harris Porter, 63 Ludlow street.

Louis Isler, 82 Rivington street.

#### Fourth Assembly District.

##### NEWSPAPER STAND.

##### SODA-WATER STANDS.

Julius Cohen, 162 Division street.

Barnet Melstner, 177 Clinton street.

Victor Rosenzweig, 342 Madison street.

##### FRUIT STAND.

##### BOOTBLACK STAND.

#### Fifth Assembly District.

##### FRUIT STAND.

##### SODA-WATER STANDS.

Jacob Isaacs, 107 Rivington street.

Emanuel Klein, 115 Goerck street.

#### Sixth Assembly District.

##### SODA-WATER STANDS.

Joseph Abrahams, 156 Ridge street.

Adolf Scharman, 188 Stanton street.

#### Seventh Assembly District.

##### FRUIT STAND.

##### SODA-WATER STAND.

Angelo Scrivani, 13 First avenue.

Abram Klores, 6 Avenue B.



**Eighth Assembly District.****FRUIT STANDS.**

Giuseppe D'Alessandro, S. W. cor. Thirteenth street and Broadway.  
Joseph Jaeger, 31 Christopher street.  
Antonio Vallo, 16 Clinton place.

**BOOTBLACK STAND.****Eleventh Assembly District.****BOOTBLACK STAND.**

Alfonso Calente, 133 Seventh avenue.

**Twenty-third Assembly District.****NEWSPAPER STAND.**

Adolph Gloeckler, 476 Columbus avenue.

**Twenty-fifth Assembly District.****SODA-WATER STANDS.**

Herman Bischoff, 1382 Park avenue.  
Moritz Kepes, 1881 Third avenue.

**Twenty-sixth Assembly District.****FRUIT STAND.**

Louis M. Israel, 2141 Third avenue.

**BOOTBLACK STAND.**

Elias White, 1690 Madison avenue.

**Twenty-seventh Assembly District.****SODA-WATER STANDS.**

Ernest M. Pease, 2373 Third avenue.  
Aaron Leibowitz, 2392 Third avenue.

**BOOTBLACK STAND.**

Francesco Porco, 2322 Third avenue.

**Twenty-eighth Assembly District.****SODA-WATER STAND.**

John Glockner, east side of Eighth avenue, between 153d and 154th streets.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 25, 1897. Received from his Honor the Mayor, June 8, 1897, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 75, chapter 410, Laws of 1882, the same became adopted.

Resolved, That the resolution granting permission to Edward F. Kienle to keep a newspaper stand under the elevated railroad stairs on the northwest corner of Greenwich avenue and Sixth avenue, which was adopted by the Board of Aldermen December 22, 1896, and approved by the Mayor January 4, 1897, be and the same is hereby annulled, rescinded and repealed.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 25, 1897. Received from his Honor the Mayor, June 8, 1897, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 75, chapter 410, Laws of 1882, the same became adopted.

Resolved, That Lloyd Collis, of No. 103 Tribune Building, be and he is hereby appointed a City Surveyor.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen June 1, 1897. Approved by the Mayor June 8, 1897.

Resolved, That Charles Cortlandt Hay, of No. 415 East Tenth street, Gustavus Siebel, of No. 362 West One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, and Jeremiah Murphy, of No. 430 Columbus avenue, be and they are hereby appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in the places, respectively, of William C. Butler, Giulio Bonanno and Francis L. Corras, who were recently appointed but failed to qualify.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen June 8, 1897.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Martin J. Kane Association to erect, place and keep transparencies on the following lamp-posts: Southeast corner Seventy-ninth street and Second avenue, northwest corner One Hundred and Sixth street and Lexington avenue, northeast corner One Hundred and Sixteenth street and Third avenue and northeast corner One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street and Third avenue, the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only for two weeks from date of approval by his Honor the Mayor.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen June 8, 1897. Approved by the Mayor June 8, 1897.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Rose Manufacturing Company to parade through the streets of the city with a wagon and a band of music, the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Chief of Police; such permission to continue only two weeks from the date of approval by his Honor the Mayor.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen June 8, 1897. Approved by the Mayor June 8, 1897.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Perry Street M. E. Church to erect, place and keep transparencies on the following lamp-posts: Southwest corner Perry and Hudson streets, northwest corner Bank and Hudson streets, the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only for two weeks from date of approval by his Honor the Mayor.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen June 8, 1897. Approved by the Mayor June 8, 1897.

Resolved, That the premises of the Blue Rock Rod and Gun Club, at Southern Boulevard and One Hundred and Fifty-third street, as shown upon the accompanying diagram, be and they are hereby exempted from the provisions of the ordinance relating to the discharge of firearms in the City of New York.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen June 1, 1897. Approved by the Mayor June 10, 1897.

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Correction be and he is hereby authorized to purchase, without public letting, a steamboat for the use of his Department, at a cost not to exceed seventy-five hundred dollars (\$7,500).

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen June 8, 1897. Approved by the Mayor June 10, 1897.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Edward A. Darling, Superintendent of the buildings and grounds of the Columbia University, to lay a brick sidewalk around the new site of the Columbia University, on One Hundred and Sixteenth and One Hundred and Twentieth streets, from Amsterdam avenue to the Boulevard, and on Amsterdam avenue and the Boulevard, from One Hundred and Sixteenth to One Hundred and Twentieth street, in accordance with the accompanying diagram and specifications, and that section 242 of the Revised Ordinances of 1897, so far as it is applicable hereto, be and the same is hereby suspended, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen June 8, 1897. Approved by the Mayor June 10, 1897.

WM. H. TEN EYCK, Clerk of the Common Council.

**DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION.****REPORT OF TRANSACTIONS, MAY 31 TO JUNE 5, 1897.****Communications Received.**

From Penitentiary—List of prisoners received during week ending May 29, 1897: Males, 24; females, 1. On file. List of 35 prisoners to be discharged from June 6 to June 12, 1897. Transmitted to Prison Association.

From City Prison—Amount of fines received during week ending May 29, 1897, \$71. On file.

From District Prisons—Amount of fines received during week ending May 29, 1897, \$632. On file.

From The Baker Artesian Well Company—Proposal to furnish steel shoe, tools, machinery and all appliances necessary to sink an 8-inch artesian well on Riker's Island for eight (8) dollars per foot. Fuel and water for boiler to be furnished on Island; also transportation for laborers and machinery. Accepted.

From Heads of Institutions—Reporting meats, milk, fish, etc., received during week ending May 29, 1897, of good quality and up to the standard. On file.

From The Van Dorn Iron Works, Cleveland, Ohio: T. M. Fonts, Peekskill, N. Y., Agent—Proposal to place extension balcony railing in Jefferson Market Prison for \$925. Work to be done according to specifications, and to the satisfaction of the Commissioner. Accepted.

From the Comptroller—Statement of unexpended balances up to May 29, 1897. Referred to Bookkeeper.

From Penitentiary—Report of prisoners confined in dark cells during May, 1897, for violation of rules. On file.

From General Store-keeper—Rejecting butter furnished under contract, it being of inferior quality. Approved.

**Appointed.**

City Prison—June 1—Edward Fenton, Orderly, salary, \$300 per annum.  
Workhouse—June 2—James Tavandall, Helper, salary, \$150 per annum.

**Resigned.**

City Prison—May 31—Edward Fenton, Helper.

**Salary Increased.**

Workhouse—June 5—William W. Dunlap, Joseph R. Brown, Laborers, \$120 to \$150 per annum each.

**Transferred.**

City Prison to Workhouse—June 5—W. J. Cheever, Keeper, salary reduced from \$900 to \$800 per annum.

Workhouse to City Prison—June 5—John J. Brady, Keeper, salary increased from \$800 to \$900 per annum.

ROBERT J. WRIGHT, Commissioner.

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.**

MAYOR'S OFFICE—BUREAU OF LICENSES, NEW YORK, June 12, 1897.—Number of licenses issued and amounts received therefor, in the week ending Friday, June 11, 1897.

Saturday, June 5.—Number of licenses, 199; amount, \$407. Monday, June 7.—Number of licenses, 313; amount, \$973.50. Tuesday, June 8.—Number of licenses, 209; amount, \$1,158.50. Wednesday, June 9.—Number of licenses, 107; amount, \$509.50. Thursday, June 10.—Number of licenses, 115; amount, \$600.50. Friday, June 11.—Number of licenses, 152; amount, \$1,218; total number of licenses, 1,097; total amount, \$4,867. EDWARD H. HEALY, Mayor's Marshal.

**ALDERMANIC COMMITTEES.**

RAILROADS—The Railroad Committee will hold a meeting on every Monday, at 2 o'clock P. M., in Room 13, City Hall.

WM. H. TEN EYCK, Clerk, Common Council.

**OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.**

Section 68 of chapter 410, Laws of 1882 (the Consolidation Act of the City of New York), provides that "there shall be published in the CITY RECORD, within the month of January in each year, a list of all subordinates employed in any department (except laborers), with their salaries, and residences by street numbers, and all changes in such subordinates or salaries shall be so published within one week after they are made. It shall be the duty of all the heads of departments to furnish to the person appointed to supervise the publication of the CITY RECORD everything required to be inserted therein."

JOHN A. SLEICHER, Supervisor City Record.

Mayor's Office—No. 6 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M. Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

Bureau of Licenses—No. 1 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Commissioners of Accounts—Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

Aqueduct Commissioners—Stewart Building, 5th floor, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Board of Armory Commissioners—Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

Clerk of Common Council—No. 8 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Department of Public Works—No. 150 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Department of Street Improvements, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards—Corner One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street and Third avenue, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 12 M.

Department of Buildings—No. 220 Fourth avenue, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Comptroller's Office—No. 15 Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Adopting Bureau—Nos. 19, 21 and 23 Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments of Water Rents—Nos. 31, 33, 35, 37 and 39 Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. No money received after 2 P. M.

Bureau for the Collection of City Revenue and of Markets—Nos. 1 and 3 Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. No money received after 2 P. M.

Bureau for the Collection of Taxes—Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. No money received after 2 P. M.

City Chamberlain—Nos. 25 and 27 Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

City Paymaster—Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Counsel to the Corporation—Staats-Zeitling Building, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

Corporation Attorney—No. 119 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Attorney for Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes—Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Bureau of Street Openings—Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway.

Public Administrator—No. 119 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Department of Charities—Central Office, No. 66 Third avenue, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Department of Correction—Central Office, No. 146 East Twentieth street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Examining Board of Plumbers—Meets every Thursday, at 2 P. M. Office, No. 220 Fourth avenue, sixth floor.

Fire Department—Headquarters, Nos. 157 to 159 East Sixty-seventh street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 12 M. Central Office open at all hours.

Health Department—New Criminal Court Building, Centres street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Department of Public Parks—Arsenal, Central Park, Sixty-fourth street and Fifth avenue, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 12 M.

Department of Docks—Battery, Pier A, North river, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Department of Taxes and Assessments—Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 12 M.

Board of Electrical Control—No. 126 Broadway.

Department of Street Cleaning—No. 32 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Civil Service Board—Criminal Court Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Board of Estimate and Apportionment—Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Board of Assessors—Office, 27 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Police Department—Central Office, No. 300 Mulberry street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Board of Education—No. 146 Grand street.

Sheriff's Office—Old "Brown Stone Building," No. 32 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Register's Office—East side City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Commissioner of Jurors—Room 127 Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Clerk of Court—Office—Nos. 7 and 8 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

District Attorney's Office—New Criminal Court Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

The City Record Office—No. 2 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M., except Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

Governor's Room—City Hall, open from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 10 to 12 A. M.

Coroner's Office—New Criminal Court Building open constantly. Edward F. Reynolds, Clerk.

Surrogate's Court—New County Court-house, 10.30 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Appellate Division, Supreme Court—Court-house, No. 111 Fifth avenue, corner Eighteenth street. Court opens at 1 P. M.

Supreme Court—County Court-house, 10.30 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Criminal Division, Supreme Court—New Criminal Court Building, Centre street, opens at 10.30 A. M.

Court of General Sessions—New Criminal Court Building, Centre street. Court opens at 11 o'clock A. M.; adjourns at 2 P. M. Clerk's Office, 10 A. M. till 4 P. M.

City Court—City Hall. General Term, Room No. 20 Trial Term, Part I., Room No. 20; Part II., Room No. 21; Part III., Room No. 15; Part IV., Room No. 11. Special Term Chambers will be held in Room No. 19 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. Clerk's Office, Room No. 10, City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Court of Special Sessions—New Criminal Court Building, Centre street. Opens daily, except Saturday, at 10 A. M. Clerk's office hours daily, except Saturday, from 9 A. M. until 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. until 12 M.

District Civil Courts—First District—Southwest corner of Centre and Chambers streets. Clerk's office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Second District—Corner of Grand and Centre streets. Clerk's Office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Third District—Southwest corner Sixth avenue and West Tenth street. Court open daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted) from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Fourth District—No. 30 First street. Court opens 9 A. M. daily. Fifth District—No. 154 Clinton street. Sixth District—Northwest corner Twenty-third street and Second avenue. Court opens 9 A. M. daily. Seventh District—No. 151 East Fifty-seventh

street. Court opens 9 o'clock (except Sundays and legal holidays). Eighth District—Northwest corner of Twenty-third street and Eighth avenue. Court opens 9 A. M. Trial days: Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Return days: Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Ninth District—No. 170 East One Hundred and Twenty-first street. Court opens every morning at 9 o'clock (except Sundays and legal holidays). Tenth District—Corner of Third avenue and One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Eleventh District—No. 919 Eighth avenue. Court open daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted) from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Twelfth District—Westchester, New York City. Open daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted), from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Thirteenth District—Corner Columbus avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street. Court open daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted), from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

City Magistrates' Courts—Office of Secretary, Fifth District Police Court, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, near Fourth avenue. First District—Tomba, Centre street. Second District—Jefferson Market. Third District—No. 69 Essex street. Fourth District—Fifty-seventh street, near Lexington avenue. Fifth District—One Hundred and Twenty-first street, southeastern corner of Sylvan place. Sixth District—One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street and Third avenue.

**STREET CLEANING DEPT.**

NEW YORK, JUNE 11, 1897.

**PUBLIC NOTICE.**

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Commissioner of Street Cleaning will sell at public auction at Stable "A," corner of Seventeenth street and Avenue "C," on Thursday, the 24th day of June, 1897, at 10 o'clock A. M., the following articles: About eight thousand (8,000) worn-out burlap bags. F. M. GILSON, Deputy and Acting Commissioner.

PERSONS HAVING BULKHEADS TO FILL, IN the vicinity of New York Bay, can procure material for that purpose—ashes, street sweepings, etc., such as is collected by the Department of Street Cleaning—free of charge, by applying to the Commissioner of Street Cleaning, in the Criminal Court Building.

GEORGE E. WARING, JR., Commissioner of Street Cleaning.

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS****GRASS SALE.**

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS will sell at public auction, by George Rudolph, Auctioneer, on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 22 and 23, 1897, all the Grass standing on Van Cortlandt, Bronx and Pelham Bay Parks.

The sale will take place at the following points, and at the hours mentioned:

VAN CORTLANDT PARK, Tremper House, June 22, 11 A. M.

BRONX PARK, Lorillard House, June 22, 2 P. M.

PELHAM BAY PARK, Elliott's Hotel, June 23, 11 A. M.

The grass on each park will be sold in lots, the particulars of which will be announced at the time of sale. The purchase money to be paid at the time of sale. By order of the Commissioners of Public Parks.

WILLIAM LEARY, Secretary.

NEW YORK, June 7, 1897.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK, NEW YORK, June 9, 1897.

**TO CONTRACTORS.**

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES, WITH THE title of the work and the name of the bidder indorsed thereon, will be received by the Department of Public Parks, at its offices, Arsenal Building, Sixty-fourth street and Fifth avenue, Central Park, until 2 o'clock P. M., on Monday, June 21, 1897, for the following named works:

No. 1. FOR PAVING AND REPAVING WITH ASPHALT THE WALKS OF THE CENTRAL PARK.

No. 2. FOR PAINTING THE IRONWORK AND WOODWORK OF THE BRIDGE ACROSS THE HARLEM RIVER, KNOWN AS MACOMBS DAM BRIDGE.

No. 3. FOR FURNISHING AND DELIVERING FORAGE.

The works must be bid for separately.

No. 1. ABOVE MENTIONED. 20,000 square feet of pavement of asphalt with concrete base.

35,000 square feet of pavement of asphalt without concrete base.

The bidder must deposit with the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks, at least two days before making his bid, samples of materials he intends to use, together with certificates and statement, as follows:

1st. Specimens of asphaltum and of a plastic cement.

2d. A statement of the elements of the composition of the bituminous cements used in the composition of the paving surface.

3d. Specimens of sand intended to be used.

4th. Specimens of pulverized carbonate of lime intended to be used. And such specimens must be furnished to the Department of Public Parks as often as may be required during the progress of the work.

5th. Specimens of the asphaltic rock, with a certificate or other evidence that it is of even fabric and a product of the first quality and from the mines designated.

The time allowed for the completion of the whole work will be thirty consecutive working days.

The penalty for non-completion within the specified time will be Four Dollars per day.

The amount of security required is Three Thousand Dollars.

No. 2. ABOVE MENTIONED. Bidders are required to state in their proposals one price or sum for which they will execute the entire work.

The time allowed for the completion of the work will be seventy-five consecutive working days.

The penalty for non-completion within the specified time will be Twenty Dollars per day.

The amount of security required is Fifteen Hundred Dollars.

No. 3. ABOVE MENTIONED. 400,000 pounds Hay, of the quality and standard known as Prime Sweet Timothy.

60,000 pounds good, clean Rye Straw.

90,000 bushels clean No. 1 White Clipped Oats.

30,000 pounds clean, sound Yellow Corn No. 2.

20,000 pounds first quality Bran.

All of the articles are to be delivered, in such quantities and at such times as may be directed, at the following places:

Sixty-fourth street and Fifth avenue (Arsenal).

Sixty-sixth street and Central Park, West (Sheepfold).

Eighty-fifth street, Transverse Road (Stables).

The amount of security required is Three Thousand Dollars.

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 nature and extent of the work, and shall not, any time after the submission of an estimate, dispute or complain of such statement, nor assert that there was any misunderstanding in regard to the nature or amount of the work to be done.



dates, 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 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 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 to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.

No bid or estimate will be received or considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the State or 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 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.

N. B.—The prices must be written in the estimate and also stated in figures, and all estimates will be considered as informal which do not contain bids for all items for which bids are herein called or which contain bids for items for which bids are not herewith called for. Permission will not be given for the withdrawal of any bid or estimate. No bid 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.

The Department of Public Parks reserves the right to reject any or all the bids received in response to this advertisement if it should deem it for the interest of the City so to do, and to readvertise until satisfactory bids or proposals shall be received, but the contract when awarded will be awarded to the lowest bidder.

Blank forms for proposals, and forms of the several contracts which the successful bidder will be required to execute, can be had, the plans can be seen, and information relative to them can be had at the office of the Department, Arsenal, Central Park.

S. V. R. CRUGER, SAMUEL McMILLAN, WILLIAM A. STILES, SMITH ELY, Commissioners of Public Parks.

#### CITY CIVIL SERVICE COMM.

NEW YORK, May 1, 1897.

NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT THE REGISTRATION days in the Labor Bureau will be Wednesday and Friday, and that examinations will take place on those days at 1 P. M.

S. WILLIAM BRISCOE, Secretary.

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, No. 300 MULBERRY STREET, NEW YORK, May 29, 1897. PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the 34th auction sale of unclaimed and condemned Police property of this Department will be sold at Public Auction, at Police Headquarters, on Wednesday, June 16, 1897, at 11 o'clock A. M., of the following property, viz.: Boats, Push-carts, Wagons, Baby Carriages, Furniture, Trunks of Clothing, Iron, Brass, Lead, Iron Bedsteads, Carpets, Blinds, Sash, Boxes, Iron Railings, Water Coolers, Newspapers, Chairs, Desks, Bath-tubs, Wire Screens, Marble Slabs and Basins, Sleighs, Heaters, Saddles, Saddle Cloth, Horse Blankets, Horse Sheets, Ice Box, Wardrobes, Marble Mantel, Chandeliers, Bookcases, Wooden Bedstead, Large Iron Safe, Lot of Bottles, Plate Glass and miscellaneous articles. For particulars see catalogue on day of sale.

JOHN F. HARRIOT, Property Clerk.

POLICE DEPARTMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK, 1896. OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY Clerk of the Police Department of the City of New York, No. 300 Mulberry Street, Room No. 9, 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 BUILDINGS.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS, No. 220 FOURTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, June 22, 1896. NOTICE TO OWNERS, ARCHITECTS AND BUILDERS.

THE DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS HAS established a branch office at junction of Third and Courtlandt avenues, where all plans for the erection or alteration of buildings above the Harlem river may be submitted and filed.

STEVENS CONSTABLE, Superintendent Buildings.

#### DEPT. OF PUBLIC CHARITIES.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES, NEW YORK, June 10, 1897. PROPOSALS FOR GROCERIES, PROVISIONS, etc. Sealed bids or estimates for furnishing Groceries and other Supplies during the last six months of the year 1897, in conformity with samples and specifications, will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities, No. 66 Third Avenue, in the City of New York, until 10 o'clock A. M. of Wednesday, June 23, 1897.

Groceries and Provisions—1. 2,000 pounds dried Apples. 2. 2,000 pounds Barley, No. 3. 3. 260 bushels Beans, not older than crop of 1896, and to weigh 62 pounds net to the bushel. 4. 275 bushels Peas, not older than the crop of 1896, and to weigh 60 pounds net to the bushel. 5. 500 pounds Cheese, State factory, full cream, fine and bearing the State brand stenciled on each box. 6. 8,200 pounds Maracaibo Coffee, roasted. 7. 30,000 pounds Rio Coffee, roasted. 8. 1,000 pounds Chicory. 9. 3,000 pounds Wheaten Grits. 10. 9,000 pounds Hominy. 11. 400 pounds pure Mustard. 12. 27,000 pounds Oatmeal. 13. 100 pounds Whole Pepper, sifted. 14. 300 pounds Ground Pepper, pure, in foil, ½ pounds.

15. 6,000 pounds Prunes. 16. 18,000 pounds Rice. 17. 45,000 pounds Brown Sugar. 18. 120,000 pounds Standard Granulated Sugar. 19. 10,000 pounds Standard Cut Leaf Sugar. 20. 1,200 pounds Standard Powdered Sugar. 21. 15,000 pounds Oolong Tea, in half chests, free from all admixture and in original packages. 22. 850 pounds Young Hyson Tea in original packages. 23. 600 pounds Fine Black Tea in original packages. 24. 1,500 pounds Tapioca "Pearl." 25. 3,100 pounds Cocoa. 26. 275 pounds Chocolate, "Baker's Premium." 27. 75 pounds Citron. 28. 1,000 pounds Farina, in pound packages, 48-pound boxes. 29. 1,500 pounds Macaroni. 30. 30 tubs prime kettle rendered Leaf Lard, about 50 pounds each. 31. 200 barrels Soda Biscuit; barrels to be returned. 32. 4,600 barrels White Potatoes, of the crop of 1896, to be good, sound and of fair size, to weigh 172 pounds net to the barrel; barrels to be returned. 33. 25 barrels Pickles, 40-gallon barrels, 2,000 to the barrel. 34. 250 barrels prime quality American Salt, in barrels 300 pounds net. 35. 25 barrels Syrup. 36. 5,000 pounds Butter, in tubs of about 60 pounds each, set, known as Western Extras, Creamery or Fancy State Creamery. 37. 2,700 pounds Corn Starch, 40-pound boxes. 38. 150 quintals prime quality Grand Bank Codfish, to be perfectly cured and to average not less than 5 pounds each, to be delivered as required, boxes of 4 quintals each. 39. 625 pieces of Bacon, prime quality, city cured, to average 6 pounds each. 40. 725 hams, prime quality, city cured, to average about 14 pounds each. 41. 280 Smoked Tongues, prime quality, city cured, to average about 6 pounds each. 42. 57,000 dozen Eggs, all to be fresh and candied at the time of delivery, and to be furnished in cases of the usual size. 43. 40 boxes Raisins. 44. 12 dozen canned Apricots. 45. 36 dozen canned Lima Beans. 46. 92 dozen tomato Catsup. 47. 8 dozen Pine-apple Cheese (4 in a case). 48. 8 dozen Edam Cheese (in foil). 49. 90 dozen canned Corn. 50. 65 dozen Chow-chow. "C. & B." pints. 51. 38 dozen canned Cherries. 52. 35 dozen Extract Lemon, 4-ounce bottles, net. 53. 45 dozen Extract Vanilla, 4-ounce bottles, net. 54. 30 dozen Gelatine, "Cox's." 55. 60 dozen Gherkins. "C. & B." pints. 56. 14 dozen Currant Jelly, 10 ounces. 57. 22 dozen Marmalade. 58. 5 dozen French Mustard. 59. 16 dozen Olives. 60. 20 dozen Olive Oil, quarts. 61. 66 dozen canned Peas. 62. 76 dozen canned Peaches. 63. 76 dozen canned Peaches. 64. 72 dozen Worcester-shire Sauce, "L. & P." pints; 65. 9 cases Sardines, ½s. 66. 48 dozen canned Salmon. 67. 12 dozen Sea Food. 68. 20 dozen Royal Baking Powder. 69. 210 dozen Sapolio (Morgan's). 70. 210 dozen canned Tomatoes. 71. 6,200 bushels mixed No. 2 Oats, 32 pounds net to the bushel, bags to be returned. 72. 200 bags coarse Meal, free from cob, in bags of 100 pounds net; bags to be returned. 73. 400 bags Bran, in bags of 50 pounds net, bags to be returned. 74. 256,000 pounds Hay, prime quality "Timothy," tare not to exceed 3 pounds per bale, weight charged as received at Blackwell's Island. 75. 102,000 pounds long, bright Rye Straw, weight and tare same conditions as on Hay. 76. 500 pounds Rock Salt. 77. 50,000 pounds Brown Soap, of the grade known to the trade as "Commercially Pure Settled Family Soap," to be delivered in lots of not less than 40,000 pounds, and all to be delivered within 60 days after the contract is awarded. The soap to be delivered in boxes holding about 80 pounds and the weight to be determined on its arrival at the Storehouse, B. L., an average tare being based upon the weight of twenty boxes, selected at random from each delivery. The soap must be free from added carbonate of soda, silicate mineral soap stock, or other foreign material; it must be of good firmness, soluble in 10 parts alcohol of 94 per cent., and contain not more than 33 per cent of water. Empty soap boxes to be returned and the price bid for the same to be deducted from bill by the contractor. 78. 5,000 pounds Laundry Starch, 40-pound boxes. 79. 175 barrels prime quality Sal Soda, about 340 pounds each. 80. 500 pounds Saltpetre. 81. 1,400 pounds Candles, in 40-pound boxes (16 ounces to the pound). 82. 30 bags prime quality Charcoal, 3 bushels each; bags to be returned. 83. 80 barrels fine Flour, "Pillsbury's" best. 84. 20,000 pounds pure White Lead, ground in oil, free from all adulterations and added impurities, subject to analysis, if necessary, to be delivered in 25 to 100 pound packages, as required. 85. 26 barrels prime quality Spirits Turpentine. 86. 75 barrels best quality Water-white Kerosene Oil, 150 degrees test. 87. 20 barrels first quality Chloride of Lime, containing not less than 32 per cent chlorine. 88. 100,000 yards Bandage Muslin, "Utica C." 89. 25,000 yards Muslin, "Grecian Bunting." 90. 4,000 yards Shroud Muslin, "Pioneer" or "Dauntless." 91. 250 pieces Oiled Muslin, "Centennial." 92. 2,000 pounds Cotton Batting, "Manhattan." 93. 100 pieces Crinolene, 12 yards each.

Leather—94. 6,000 pounds good damaged Sole Leather, 21 to 25 pounds to the side. 95. 2,000 feet Waxed Kip Leather, to average about 12 feet to the side. 96. 1,000 pounds Offal Leather. Lumber—97. 50,000 feet first quality Coffin Box Boards, 1 inch by 12 inches to 15 inches by 12 feet to 16 feet, dressed one side, free from loose bark knots or shakes. 98. 1,000 feet first quality extra clear White Pine, ½ inch by 12 inches to 16 inches by 12 feet to 16 feet, dressed two sides to ¾ inch. 99. 2,000 feet first quality extra clear White Pine, ¾ inch by 12 inches to 16 inches by 12 feet to 16 feet, dressed two sides to ¾ inch. 100. 2,000 feet first quality extra clear White Pine, ¾ inch by 12 inches to 16 inches by 12 feet to 16 feet, dressed two sides, full. 101. 10,000 feet first quality extra clear White Pine, 1 inch by 12 inches to 16 inches by 12 feet to 16 feet, dressed two sides to ¾ inch. 102. 2,000 feet first quality extra clear White Pine, 1 ¼ inches by 12 inches to 16 inches by 12 feet to 16 feet, dressed two sides to 1 ¼ inches. 103. 6,000 feet first quality extra clear White Pine, 1 ½ inches by 12 inches to 16 inches by 12 feet to 16 feet, dressed two sides to 1 ½ inches. 104. 500 pieces first quality rough Spruce Plank, 2 inches by 9 inches by 13 feet. 105. 200 pieces first quality rough Spruce, 2 inches by 3 inches by 13 feet. 106. 200 pieces first quality rough Hemlock Joist, 2 ½ inches by 4 inches by 13 feet. 107. 500 pieces first quality Spruce, dressed one side, tongued and grooved to finish, ¾ inches by 8 ½ inches by 13 feet. 108. 500 pieces first quality Pine, dressed two sides, tongued and grooved to finish ¾ inches by 9 ½ inches by 12 feet to 16 feet.

All quantities more or less.

No empty packages are to be returned to bidders or contractors except such as are designated in the specifications.

The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Groceries, etc.," 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, or his duly authorized agent, and read.

THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS OR ESTIMATES IF DEEMED TO BE FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 64, CHAPTER 410, LAWS OF 1882. 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.

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 bid for each article.

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 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 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 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 State or 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 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 on exhibition at the office of the said Department, or, in the absence of samples, to the printed specifications. Bidders are cautioned to examine the specifications for particulars of the articles, etc., required before making their estimates.

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

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

Payment will be made by a requisition on the Comptroller, in accordance with the terms of the contract, or from time to time, as the Commissioners may determine. The form of the contract, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, will be furnished at the office of the Department, and bidders are cautioned to examine each and all of its provisions carefully, as the Board of Public Charities will insist upon its absolute enforcement in every particular.

SILAS C. CROFT, President; JOHN P. FAURE and JAMES R. O'BRIEN, Commissioners, Department of Public Charities.

#### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES, NEW YORK, June 10, 1897.

PROPOSALS FOR FLOUR. SEALED BIDS OR estimates for furnishing and delivering, free of all expense, at the Bakehouse Pier, Blackwell's Island (east side), more or less, 5,000 barrels marked No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 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988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.



You are further notified that all violations now existing of such ordinances must be removed, and that all



conditions set forth in permits granted for vault or other purposes must be complied with within sixty days. The special ordinances permitting court-yard inclosures give no right to occupy this space otherwise.

CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner of Public Works.

#### NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS, BUILDERS, FLAGGERS AND OTHERS.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE** practice of placing concrete or other friable curbs on the streets of this city is in contravention of chapter 6, Article 7, section 105, Revised Ordinances of 1880, which reads: "All curbs-stones \* \* \* shall be of the best hard blue or gray granite." \* \* \* This Department will find it necessary to prosecute to the full penalty imposed by law persons setting or making such curbs, whether they have broken up or removed the curbs-stones provided by the City or not.

Further notice is given that this Department will in no case entertain claims or damages to concrete or other artificial sidewalks that are caused by repair or setting of hydrants, or by other work which the City does for the general good.

CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner of Public Works.

#### DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

**DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS, PIER "A," BATTERY PLACE, NORTH RIVER, NEW YORK, June 9, 1897.**

**THE DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS WILL SELL** at public auction, on the premises, to the highest bidder, on the 22d day of June, 1897, at 11 o'clock A. M., by Woodrow & Lewis, auctioneers, all the buildings and parts of buildings hereinafter described.

All the existing structures on the block between Bank and Bethune streets, extending from the westerly side of West street to the easterly side of Thirteenth avenue, to the level of the existing curb, including the planking and paving of yards and areas (AS ONE LOT) approximately as follows:

1. Five-story brick building, about 120.7 feet by 147.5 feet, including boilers, tanks, etc.
2. Seven-story brick building, about 71.3 feet by 144.4 feet, including boilers, tanks, etc.
3. One-story brick building, about 15 feet by 27.9 feet.
4. Frame sheds, incline, stables and frame buildings incident to coal yards, covering the centre of the block, in area about 105 feet by 192 feet.
5. One-story frame building, about 37 feet by 46 feet.
6. One-story frame building, about 32.2 feet by 43 feet, by 42 feet, by 21 feet, by 8 feet, by 21.9 feet.
7. Three-story brick building, about 21.9 feet by 66.23 feet.
8. Two-story brick building, about 20.2 feet by 57 feet.
9. Frame storage building, about 18.6 feet by 40.1 feet.
10. Two-story brick building about 22.11 feet by 69.45 feet.
11. Frame machine shop, about 50 feet by 90 feet.
12. One-story brick building, about 46.97 feet by 119.7 feet.
13. Two-story brick building, about 17.35 feet by 40.9 feet.

The buildings occupied by Froment and Company, at the corner of West street and Bank street, extending about 22.2 feet on West street and about 101.1 feet on Bank street, will not be included in this sale, or removed at this time.

The removal of the above building, materials, etc., must be commenced within five days from June 22, 1897, and the work of removal must be entirely completed, in accordance with the accompanying terms of sale, within forty days after June 22, 1897.

#### TERMS OF SALE.

Twenty-five per cent. of the purchase-money must be paid to the auctioneers in cash at the time and place of sale, the balance of the purchase-money to be paid to Woodrow & Lewis, at their office, No. 94 Pearl street, before 12 o'clock M. on the 23d day of June, 1897.

All the buildings and their foundations of every class and description within the hereinbefore described area are to be torn down to the level of the existing curb, and any structures which may exist within any of the buildings, such as engine beds, boiler settings, boilers, tanks, etc., shall also be torn down to the same level. All tin from roofs, and galvanized or black iron from roofs, cornices, sides of buildings or partitions, shall be removed from the premises. All brick laid in lime mortar; all floor beams, joists, studding, flooring, ceiling, roofing boards and woodwork of every description, and all gas, water, steam and soil piping shall be removed from the premises. All combustible matter, such as tar and felt roofing, broken lath and fragments of timber, chips, splinters, etc., which are of no value, shall be gathered together by the purchaser and burned. The final rubbish, such as lime mortar, brickwork in cement mortar, plaster, roofing gravel, etc., will not be removed by the purchaser, but will be left on the premises within the building lines and the removal of all buildings, parts of buildings, sheds, planking and all other material must be made by the purchaser, who must commence the said removal within five days from June 22, 1897, and continue the same diligently until completed. The above buildings, materials, etc., comprised in each particular lot, must be entirely removed from said premises within forty days from the date above-mentioned, and if the purchaser or purchasers fail to commence the said removal as specified, and to diligently prosecute the same, as above set forth, then the Department of Docks may, at its option, complete the said removal and charge the expense of the same to the said purchaser, who shall sign the present terms of sale and agree to be bound thereby.

And for the further securing of the removal of the said buildings, etc., hereinbefore mentioned, the purchaser will be required, at the time of said sale and the award of said property to him, to execute a bond in such form and with such sureties as may be approved by the Commissioners of the Department of Docks of the City of New York, and in a penalty of five thousand (\$5,000) dollars, that he will, in all things, carry out the terms of sale and comply with the conditions thereof, and remove all of said property within the time required by the said terms of sale.

The form of bond to be executed by the purchaser may be seen at the office of the Commissioners of the Dock Department at Pier "A," Battery place, North river.

EDWARD C. O'BRIEN, EDWIN EINSTEIN, JOHN MONKS, Commissioners of the Department of Docks.

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT.

NEW YORK, June 2, 1897.

#### TO CONTRACTORS.

**SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING THE** materials and labor and doing the work required for constructing and erecting a building for the Fire Department on the north side of Forty-third street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues, being No. 33 West Forty-third street, will be received by the Board of Commissioners of the Fire Department, at the office of said Department, Nos. 157 and 159 East Sixty-seventh street, in the City of New York, until 10.30 o'clock A. M., Wednesday, June 16, 1897, 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 form of the agreement and the specifications, showing the manner of payment for the work, and forms of proposals may be obtained and the plans may be seen at the office of the Department and at the office of the Architects, Messrs. Hoppin & Koen, No. 100 Fifth avenue.

Proposals must be made for all the work contained in the specifications.

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

The building is to be completed and delivered within two hundred and ten (210) days after the execution 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 fixed and liquidated at twenty (20) dollars.

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 sureties for its faithful performance in the sum of thirteen thousand (\$13,000) Dollars, 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 banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of six hundred and fifty (650) dollars. Such check or money must not be included 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.

JAMES R. SHEFFIELD, O. H. LA GRANGE and THOMAS STURGIS, Commissioners.

NEW YORK, June 1, 1897.

#### TO CONTRACTORS.

**SEALED PROPOSALS FOR PLACING FIRE-** alarm Electrical Conductors Underground will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head of the Fire Department, at the office of said Department, Nos. 157 and 159 East Sixty-seventh street, in the City of New York, until 10.30 o'clock A. M. Wednesday, June 16, 1897, 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, which form part of these proposals.

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

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

The work is to be completed and delivered in one hundred and twenty (120) days, as provided in 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 fixed and liquidated at twenty (20) dollars.

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 they relate, specifying the kind of cables it is proposed to furnish.

The Fire Department reserves the right to decline any and all bids or estimates or any part thereof, 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.

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*No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of one thousand two hundred and fifty (1,250) dollars. Such check or money must not be included 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.

JAMES R. SHEFFIELD, O. H. LA GRANGE, THOMAS STURGIS, Commissioners.

#### DAMAGE COMM.-23-24 WARDS.

**PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF CHAP-**ter 537 of the Laws of 1893, entitled "An act providing for ascertaining and paying the amount of damages to lands and buildings suffered by reason of changes of grade of streets or avenues, made pursuant to chapter 721 of the Laws of 1887, providing for the depression of railroad tracks in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, in the City of New York, or 'otherwise,' and the acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, notice is hereby given, that public meetings of the Commissioners, appointed pursuant to said acts, will be held at Room 56, Schermerhorn Building, No. 96 Broadway, in the City of New York, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week, at 2 o'clock P. M., until further notice.

Dated New York, October 30, 1895.

DANIEL LORD, JAMES M. VARNUM, GEORGE W. STEPHENS, Commissioners.

LAMONT McLOUGHLIN, 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.:

List 5275, No. 1. Paving the widening and extension of West Broadway, from Chambers to Vesey street, and widening of Greenwich street, from Vesey to Dey street, with asphalt, and laying crosswalks.

List 5427, No. 2. Laying crosswalks across Sixty-seventh and Sixty-eighth streets, at the easterly side of Columbus avenue.

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

No. 1. Both sides of West Broadway, from Chambers to Vesey street, and both sides of Greenwich street, from Vesey to Dey street, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 2. To the extent of half the block from the easterly intersections of Columbus avenue, Sixty-seventh and Sixty-eighth streets.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections, in writing, to the Chairman of the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 27 Chambers street, 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 12th day of July, 1897.

THOMAS J. RUSH, Chairman; PATRICK M. HAVERTY, JOHN W. JACOBUS, EDWARD McCUE, Board of Assessors.

NEW YORK, June 11, 1897.

**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.:

List 5433, No. 1. Paving One Hundred and Seventeenth street, from Lenox avenue to St. Nicholas avenue, with asphalt.

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

No. 1. Both sides of One Hundred and Seventeenth street, from Lenox to St. Nicholas avenue, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

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 Chairman of the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 27 Chambers street, 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 6th day of July, 1897.

THOMAS J. RUSH, Chairman; PATRICK M. HAVERTY, JOHN W. JACOBUS, EDWARD McCUE, Board of Assessors.

NEW YORK, June 5, 1897.

#### SUPREME COURT.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to EAST ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIRST STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from Jerome avenue to Morris avenue, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road,

**PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES IN SUCH** cases made and provided, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held at Part III. thereof, in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on Friday, the 25th day of June, 1897, at the opening of the Court on that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter. The nature and extent of the improvement hereby intended is the acquisition of title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, for the use of the public, to all the lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, required for the opening of a certain street or avenue known as East One Hundred and Seventy-first street, from Jerome avenue to Morris avenue, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, being the following-described lots, pieces or parcels of land, viz.:

#### PARCEL "A."

Beginning at a point in the eastern line of Jerome avenue distant 388.06 feet northeasterly from the intersection of the eastern line of Jerome avenue with the northern line of East One Hundred and Seventieth street.

1st. Thence northeasterly along the eastern line of Jerome avenue for 60 feet.

2d. Thence southeasterly deflecting 90 degrees to the right for 1,033.88 feet to the western line of the Grand Boulevard and Concourse.

3d. Thence southwesterly along the western line of the Grand Boulevard and Concourse for 60.69 feet.

4th. Thence northwesterly for 1,042.97 feet to the point of beginning.

#### PARCEL "B."

Beginning at a point in the eastern line of the Grand Boulevard and Concourse distant 350.03 feet northeasterly from the intersection of the eastern line of the Grand Boulevard and Concourse with the northern line of the eastern approach to the same at East One Hundred and Seventieth street.

1st. Thence northeasterly along the eastern line of the Grand Boulevard and Concourse for 60.15 feet.

2d. Thence southeasterly on a line forming an angle of 4 degrees 30 minutes 7 seconds to the south from the eastern prolongation of the radius of the preceding course drawn through its northern extremity, for 600.75 feet to the western line of Morris avenue.

3d. Thence southwesterly along the western line of Morris avenue for 60 feet.

4th. Thence northwesterly for 596.58 feet to the point of beginning.

East One Hundred and Seventy-first street is designated as a street of the first class, and is shown on section 9 of the Final Maps and Profiles of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York, filed in the office of the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the City of New York on October 31, 1895; in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York on November 2, 1895, and in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York on November 2, 1895.

Dated New York, June 14, 1897.

FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation, No. 2 Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to PERRY AVENUE (although not yet named by proper authority), from the Moshulu parkway to the south line of Woodlawn Cemetery, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road.

**PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES IN SUCH** cases made and provided, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held at Part III. thereof, in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on Friday, the 25th day of June, 1897, at the opening of the Court on that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter. The nature and extent of the improvement hereby intended is the acquisition of title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, for the use of the public, to all the lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, required for the opening of a certain street or avenue known as Perry avenue, from the Moshulu parkway to the south line of Woodlawn Cemetery, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, being the following-described lots, pieces or parcels of land, viz.:

#### PARCEL "A."

Beginning at a point in the eastern line of Moshulu parkway distant 870.14 feet northerly from the intersection of the eastern line of Moshulu parkway with the northern line of Webster avenue.

1st. Thence northerly along the eastern line of Moshulu parkway for 65.25 feet.

2d. Thence easterly deflecting 66 degrees 50 minutes 16 seconds to the right for 528.23 feet.

3d. Thence easterly deflecting 2 degrees 58 minutes 10 seconds to the right for 80.11 feet.

4th. Thence northeasterly deflecting 20 degrees 2 minutes 43 seconds to the left for 402.30 feet.

5th. Thence northeasterly deflecting 2 degrees 40 minutes 32 seconds to the left for 69.09 feet.

6th. Thence northeasterly deflecting 3 degrees 26 minutes 46 seconds to the left for 1,497.71 feet.

7th. Thence northerly deflecting 48 degrees 48 minutes 42 seconds to the left for 455.76 feet to the southern line of Gun Hill road.

8th. Thence southeasterly along the southern line of Gun Hill road for 62.84 feet.

9th. Thence southerly deflecting 72 degrees 43 minutes 8 seconds to the right for 445.43 feet.

10th. Thence southwesterly deflecting 15 degrees 48 minutes 42 seconds to the right for 1,479.91 feet.

11th. Thence southwesterly deflecting 1 degree 36 minutes 38 seconds to the right for 60 feet.

12th. Thence southwesterly deflecting 6 degrees 31 minutes 0 seconds to the right for 459.52 feet.

13th. Thence westerly deflecting 22 degrees 1 minute 1 second to the right for 80.30 feet.

14th. Thence westerly for 553.90 feet to the point of beginning.

#### PARCEL "B."

Beginning at a point in the northern line of Gun Hill road distant 715.33 feet westerly from the intersection of the northern line of Gun Hill road with the western line of Webster avenue.

1st. Thence northwesterly along the northern line of Gun Hill road for 64.04 feet.

2d. Thence northerly deflecting 63 degrees 32 minutes 58 seconds to the right for 306.96 feet.

3d. Thence easterly deflecting 68 degrees 53 minutes 18 seconds to the right for 64.32 feet.

4th. Thence southerly for 352.50 feet to the point of beginning.

Perry avenue is designated as a street of the first class, and is shown on section 18 of the Final Maps and Profiles of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York, filed in the office of the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards on December 16, 1895; in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York and in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York on December 17, 1895.

Dated New York, June 14, 1897.

FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation, No. 2 Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to EAST ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FOURTH STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from Third avenue to Fulton avenue, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road,







thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter. The nature and extent of the improvement hereby intended is the acquisition of title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, for the use of the public, to all the lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, required for the opening of a certain street or avenue known as Villa place, from Southern Boulevard to Van Cortlandt avenue, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, being the following-described lots, pieces or parcels of land, viz.:

## PARCEL "A."

Beginning at a point in the southern line of the western approach to the Grand Boulevard and Concourse at East Two Hundred and Fourth street distant 200.03 feet westerly from the intersection of the southern line of said approach with the western line of the Grand Boulevard and Concourse.

1st. Thence westerly along the southern line of said approach for 60.17 feet.

2d. Thence southerly deflecting 100 degrees 43 minutes 40 seconds to the left for 717.15 feet to the northern line of the western approach to the Grand Boulevard and Concourse at East Two Hundredth street.

3d. Thence southeasterly along the northern line of said approach for 67.87 feet.

4th. Thence northerly for 74.8 feet to the point of beginning.

## PARCEL "B."

Beginning at a point in the northern line of the western approach to the Grand Boulevard and Concourse at East Two Hundred and Fourth street distant 200.03 feet westerly from the intersection of the northern line of said approach with the western line of the Grand Boulevard and Concourse.

1st. Thence westerly along the northern line of said approach for 62.23 feet.

2d. Thence northerly deflecting 102 degrees 37 minutes 10 seconds to the right for 743.91 feet.

3d. Thence easterly deflecting 57 degrees 38 minutes 22 seconds to the right for 71.03 feet.

4th. Thence southerly for 779.01 feet to the point of beginning.

Villa place (now Villa avenue) is designated as a street of the first class, and is shown on section 20 of the Final Maps and Profiles of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York, filed in the office of the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the City of New York on December 16, 1895; in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York on December 17, 1895, and in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York on December 18, 1895.

Dated New York, June 14, 1897.  
FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation,  
No. 2 Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to SPUYTEN DUYVIL ROAD (although not yet named by proper authority), from the Spuyten Duyvil parkway, near the Spuyten Duyvil depot, to the junction of Riverdale avenue and West Two Hundred and Thirtieth street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road.

**PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES IN SUCH** cases made and provided, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held at Part III. thereof, in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on Friday, the 25th day of June, 1897, at the opening of the Court on that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter. The nature and extent of the improvement hereby intended is the acquisition of title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, for the use of the public, to all the lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, required for the opening of a certain street or avenue known as Spuyten Duyvil parkway, near the Spuyten Duyvil depot, to the junction of Riverdale avenue and West Two Hundred and Thirtieth street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, being the following-described lots, pieces or parcels of land, viz.:

## PARCEL "A."

Beginning at a point in the southerly line of Spuyten Duyvil parkway distant 3,020.59 feet westerly from the northerly prolongation of the eastern line of Tenth avenue, measured at right angles to the same from a point 18,091.86 feet northerly of the southern line of West One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street.

1st. Thence northerly along the line of the Spuyten Duyvil parkway for 50 feet.

2d. Thence southeasterly curving to the right on the arc of a circle of 220 feet radius and continuing along the line of Spuyten Duyvil parkway for 235.76 feet.

3d. Thence southerly on a line tangent to the preceding course for 61.69 feet.

4th. Thence southerly deflecting 23 degrees 47 minutes 55 seconds to the right for 298.28 feet.

5th. Thence southeasterly curving to the left on the arc of a circle of 81.88 feet radius tangent to the preceding course for 88.06 feet.

6th. Thence southeasterly on a line tangent to the preceding course for 138.54 feet.

7th. Thence easterly curving to the left on the arc of a circle of 79.93 feet radius tangent to the preceding course for 90.26 feet.

8th. Thence northeasterly on a line tangent to the preceding course for 169.79 feet.

9th. Thence northeasterly deflecting 17 degrees 20 minutes to the left for 373.40 feet.

10th. Thence northeasterly curving to the right on the arc of a circle of 670 feet radius tangent to the preceding course for 339.90 feet to a point of reverse curve.

11th. Thence northeasterly on the arc of a circle of 335 feet radius for 124.25 feet.

12th. Thence northeasterly on a line tangent to the preceding course for 119.03 feet.

13th. Thence northeasterly curving to the right on the arc of a circle of 880 feet radius tangent to the preceding course for 167.16 feet.

14th. Thence northeasterly on a line tangent to the preceding course for 266.27 feet.

15th. Thence northeasterly deflecting 8 degrees, 59 minutes 54 seconds to the left for 151.98 feet.

16th. Thence southeasterly deflecting 86 degrees 9 minutes 25 seconds to the left for 38.65 feet.

17th. Thence southeasterly deflecting 90 degrees to the left for 162.79 feet.

18th. Thence southeasterly deflecting 12 degrees 50 minutes 20 seconds to the right for 266.27 feet.

19th. Thence southeasterly curving to the left on the arc of a circle of 830 feet radius tangent to the preceding course for 157.66 feet.

20th. Thence southeasterly on a line tangent to the preceding course for 119.03 feet.

21st. Thence southeasterly curving to the right on the arc of a circle of 385 feet radius tangent to the preceding course for 142.79 feet to a point of reverse curve.

22d. Thence southeasterly on the arc of a circle of 620 feet radius for 314.53 feet.

23d. Thence southeasterly on a line tangent to the preceding course for 381.02 feet.

24th. Thence southeasterly deflecting 17 degrees 20 minutes to the right for 208.99 feet.

25th. Thence westerly curving to the right on the arc of a circle tangent to the preceding course whose radius is 115 feet for 129.86 feet.

26th. Thence northeasterly on a line tangent to the preceding course for 105 feet.

27th. Thence northeasterly curving to the right on the arc of a circle tangent to the preceding course whose radius is 170 feet for 182.82 feet.

28th. Thence northerly on a line tangent to the preceding course for 287.74 feet.

29th. Thence northerly deflecting 23 degrees 47 minutes 55 seconds to the left for 601.13 feet.

30th. Thence northeasterly curving to the left on the arc of a circle of 170 feet radius for 182.17 feet to the point of beginning.

## PARCEL "B."

Beginning at the intersection of the western line of Riverdale avenue and the western prolongation of the southern line of West Two Hundred and Thirtieth street.

1st. Thence southeasterly on the southern prolongation of the western line of Riverdale avenue for 82.29 feet.

2d. Thence southeasterly curving to the left on the arc of a circle of 893.57 feet radius tangent to the preceding course for 174.48 feet.

3d. Thence southeasterly on a line tangent to the preceding course for 245.30 feet.

4th. Thence southeasterly deflecting 90 degrees to the left for 50 feet.

5th. Thence northeasterly deflecting 90 degrees to the left for 245.30 feet.

6th. Thence northeasterly curving to the right on the arc of a circle of 843.57 feet radius tangent to the preceding course for 253.67 feet to the southern line of West Two Hundred and Thirtieth street.

7th. Thence westerly along the southern line of West Two Hundred and Thirtieth street for 55.07 feet to the point of beginning.

Spuyten Duyvil road is designated as a street of the first class, and is shown on section 22 of the Final Maps and Profiles of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York, filed in the office of the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the City of New York on November 18, 1895; in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York on November 18, 1895, and in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York on November 20, 1895.

Dated New York, June 14, 1897.  
FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation,  
No. 2 Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands required for the opening and extension of a new street (although not yet named by proper authority), to extend from Chambers street to Reade street, in the Sixth Ward of the City of New York.

**PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES IN SUCH** cases made and provided, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held at Part III. thereof, in the County Court-house in the City of New York, on Friday, the 25th day of June, 1897, at the opening of the Court on that day or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter. The nature and extent of the improvement hereby intended is the acquisition of title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, for the use of the public, to all the lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, required for the opening and extension of a new street, to extend from Chambers street to Reade street, in the Sixth Ward of the City of New York, being the following-described lots, pieces or parcels of land, viz.:

Beginning at a point in the northerly line of Chambers street distant 426.71 feet easterly from Broadway; thence northerly, distance 151.16 feet, to the southerly line of Reade street at a point distant 425.94 feet easterly from Broadway; thence easterly along the southerly line of Reade street, distance 40 feet; thence southerly, distance 151.21 feet, to the northerly line of Chambers street; thence westerly, distance 40 feet, to the point of place of beginning.

Said street to be 40 feet wide between the lines of Chambers and Reade streets, and is shown on certain maps entitled "Map or Plan of a new street, commencing on the northerly line of Chambers street distant 426.71 feet easterly from Broadway, and extending to the southerly line of Reade street distant 425.94 feet easterly from Broadway," and filed, in the office of the Department of Public Works of the City of New York on May 7, 1897; one in the office of the Counsel to the Corporation on May 11, 1897, and one in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York on May 11, 1897.

Dated New York, June 14, 1897.  
FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation,  
No. 2 Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening CHEEVER PLACE (although not yet named by proper authority), from Mott avenue to Gerard avenue, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BILL** of costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter, will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, at a Special Term thereof, Part I., to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house in the City of New York, on the 23d day of June, 1897, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, and that the said bill of costs, charges and expenses has been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York, there to remain for and during the space of ten days, as required by law.

Dated New York, June 9, 1897.  
EDWARD S. KAUFMAN, FRANCIS S. McAVOY,  
Commissioners.  
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of WADSWORTH AVENUE, from Kingsbridge road, near One Hundred and Seventy-third street, to Eleventh avenue, in the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BILL** of costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter, will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, at a Special Term thereof, Part I., to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house in the City of New York, on the 22d day of June, 1897, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon; and that the said bill of costs, charges and expenses has been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York, there to remain for and during the space of ten days, as required by law.

Dated New York, June 8, 1897.  
ISAAC FROMME, SAMUEL W. MILBANK, J.  
RHINELANDER DILLON, Commissioners.  
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening KNOX STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from Mount Vernon avenue to Verio avenue, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BILL** of costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, at a Special Term thereof, Part I., to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 21st day of June, 1897, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, and that the said bill of costs, charges and expenses has been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the City and

County of New York, there to remain for and during the space of ten days, as required by law.

Dated New York, June 7, 1897.  
FREDERIC JEWETT DIETER, EDWARD J.  
KIELY, GERALD HULL GRAY, Commissioners.  
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening JENNINGS STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from Stebbins avenue to West Farms road, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BILL** of costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, at a Special Term thereof, Part I., to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 21st day of June, 1897, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, and that the said bill of costs, charges and expenses has been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York, there to remain for and during the space of ten days, as required by law.

Dated New York, June 7, 1897.  
ALFRED R. PAGE, JOSEPH E. BARNES,  
JOSEPH RILEY, Commissioners.  
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of WADSWORTH AVENUE, from Kingsbridge road, near One Hundred and Seventy-third street, to Eleventh avenue, in the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE** undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, will be in attendance at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in said city, on the 17th day of June, 1897, at 3 o'clock P. M., to hear any person or persons who may consider themselves aggrieved by our estimate or assessment (an abstract of which has been heretofore filed by us for and during the space of forty days in the office of the Commissioner of Public Works, No. 150 Nassau street), in opposition to the same; that our said abstract of estimate and assessment may be hereafter inspected at our said office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor; that it is our intention to present our report for confirmation to a Special Term of the Supreme Court, Part III., to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 25th day of June, 1897, at the opening of Court on that day, to which date the motion to confirm the same will be adjourned, 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, June 3, 1897.  
ISAAC FROMME, Chairman; SAMUEL W. MILBANK, J. RHINELANDER DILLON, Commissioners.  
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening EAST ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-NINTH STREET (formerly Welch street), from Webster avenue to Fordham road, and to FORDHAM ROAD, from East One Hundred and Eighty-ninth street (formerly Welch street), to Jerome avenue (although not yet named by proper authority), as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BILL** of costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, at a Special Term thereof, Part I., to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 16th day of June, 1897, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, and that the said bill of costs, charges and expenses has been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York, there to remain for and during the space of ten days, as required by law.

Dated New York, June 1, 1897.  
FIELDING L. MARSHALL, ISAAC RODMAN,  
DAVID L. KIRBY, Commissioners.  
HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, acting by and through the Board of Docks, relative to acquiring right and title to and possession of the uplands, lands, lands under water, wharves, piers, rights, terms, easements, emoluments and privileges of and to the uplands, lands and lands under water necessary to be taken for the improvement of the water-front of the City of New York on the North river, between Bethune street and West Twelfth street and between West street and Thirteenth avenue, pursuant to the plan heretofore adopted by the said Department of Docks and approved by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BILL** of costs, charges and expenses, together with a statement of the amounts previously taxed, to whom the same were payable and the date of such taxation, incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, at a Special Term thereof, Part I., to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 14th day of June, 1897, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, and that said bill of costs, charges and expenses, together with said statement, has been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York, there to remain for and during the space of ten days, as required by law.

Dated New York, June 1, 1897.  
CHARLES W. GOULD, Chairman, MICHAEL COLEMAN, JOHN DELAHUNTY, Commissioners.  
JOHN A. HENNEBERRY, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening CLAY AVENUE (formerly Anthony avenue) (although not yet named by proper authority), from Webster avenue to East One Hundred and Seventy-sixth street, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE** undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 20th day of April, 1897, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of

the City and County of New York on the 28th day of April, 1897, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, ninth floor, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 14th day of June, 1897, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, May 20, 1897.  
PETER F. MEYER, JOHN DE WITT WARNER,  
JOHN T. SIMON, Commissioners.  
H. DE F. BALDWIN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening EAST ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVENTH STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from the New York and Harlem Railroad to Marion avenue, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

**WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMISSIONERS** of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to all persons interested in this proceeding, and to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots 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 this proceeding, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and having objections thereto, do present their said objections, in writing, to us, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in said city, on or before the 21st day of June, 1897, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week days next after the said 21st day of June, 1897, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days at 3 o'clock P. M.

Second—That the abstract of our said estimate and assessment, together with our damage and benefit maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the Bureau of Street Openings in the Law Department of the City of New York, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the said city, there to remain until the 1st day of July, 1897.

Third—That the limits of our assessment for benefit include 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.: On the north by the middle line of the blocks between Parole place or East One Hundred and Eighty-seventh street, and Parole place or East One Hundred and Eighty-seventh street produced, and East One Hundred and Eighty-ninth street, from Anthony avenue or Ryer avenue to Marion avenue, and the middle line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Eighty-seventh street and East One Hundred and Eighty-ninth street, from Marion avenue to Webster avenue, and said line prolonged eastwardly to its intersection with the southerly side of East One Hundred and Eighty-eighth street at Park avenue or Vanderbilt avenue, East; thence by the southerly side of East One Hundred and Eighty-eighth street, from Park avenue or Vanderbilt avenue, East, to the westerly side of Bathgate avenue; on the south by a line drawn parallel to East One Hundred and Eighty-fourth street and distant southerly 100 feet from the southerly side thereof, from Anthony avenue or Ryer avenue to Tiebout avenue, and thence by prolongation eastwardly of said parallel line from Tiebout avenue to Park avenue or Vanderbilt avenue, East; thence by the northerly side of East One Hundred and Eighty-sixth street, from Park avenue or Vanderbilt avenue, East, to Third avenue, and thence by a line drawn parallel to East One Hundred and Eighty-seventh street and distant southerly about 140 feet from the southerly side thereof to Bathgate avenue; on the east by Bathgate avenue; on the west by Anthony avenue, or Ryer avenue, excepting from said area all streets, avenues, and roads or portions thereof, heretofore legally opened, as such area is shown upon our benefit map deposited as aforesaid.

Fourth—That our report herein will be presented to a Special Term of the Supreme Court, Part III., of the State of New York, to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 15th day of July, 1897, 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, May 27, 1897.  
H. W. VANDER POEL, Chairman; HUGH G. KELLY, SAMUEL GOLDSTICKER, Commissioners.  
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening EAST ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY SEVENTH STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from Walton avenue to Exterior street, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE** undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 14th day of May, 1897, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 19th day of May, 1897; and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and prem-



**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 10th day of May, 1897, to make a just and equitable estimate and assessment of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York, on the 10th day of May, 1897, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons**



respectively entitled to or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, ninth floor, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 15th day of June, 1897, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto, and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, May 21, 1897.  
OSGOOD SMITH, W. G. ROSS, JNO. W. D. DOBLER, Commissioners.  
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening EAST ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from Aqueduct avenue to Jerome avenue, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE** undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court bearing date the 14th day of May, 1897, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 19th day of May, 1897, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, ninth floor, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 24th day of June, 1897, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, June 1, 1897.  
JOHN LARKIN, WM. J. BROWNE, CHARLES F. ULRICH, Commissioners.  
H. DE F. BALDWIN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening PUBLIC PLACE (although not yet named by proper authority), at the junction of Morris avenue, College avenue and East One Hundred and Forty-second street, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE** undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 14th day of May, 1897, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 19th day of May, 1897, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, ninth floor, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 23d day of June, 1897, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, May 28, 1897.  
JAMES R. ELY, BENJ. T. RHOADS, JR., JOHN MURPHY, Commissioners.  
H. DE F. BALDWIN, Clerk.

11.30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, May 29, 1897.  
JOHN W. STOCKER, BURTON N. HARRISON, CHARLES BRANDT, JR., Commissioners.  
J. P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening BRIGGS AVENUE (although not yet named by proper authority), from East One Hundred and Ninety-fourth street to Southern Boulevard, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE** undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 14th day of May, 1897, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 19th day of May, 1897, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, ninth floor, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 23d day of June, 1897, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, May 29, 1897.  
THOMAS J. BROWN, JOHN T. SIMON, EDWARD B. WHITNEY, Commissioners.  
J. P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening MORRIS AVENUE (although not yet named by proper authority), from Tremont avenue to Park View Terrace (place), as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE** undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court bearing date the 14th day of May, 1897, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 19th day of May, 1897, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, ninth floor, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 23d day of June, 1897, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, May 28, 1897.  
JAMES R. ELY, BENJ. T. RHOADS, JR., JOHN MURPHY, Commissioners.  
H. DE F. BALDWIN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Board of Education by the Counsel to the Corporation of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to certain lands on ACADEMY STREET, VERMILYEA AVENUE AND KINGSBRIDGE ROAD, in the Twelfth Ward of said city, duly selected and approved by said Board as a site for school purposes, under and in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888 and the various statutes amendatory thereof.

**PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF CHAP.** 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held in Part III. thereof, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 15th day of June, 1897, at the opening of the Court on that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate in the above-entitled matter.

The nature and extent of the improvements hereby intended is the acquisition of title by the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York to certain lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, on Academy street, Vermilyea avenue and Kingsbridge road, in the Twelfth Ward of said city, in fee simple absolute, the same to be converted, appropriated and used to and for the purposes specified in said chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888 and the various statutes amendatory thereof, said property having been duly selected and approved by the Board of Education as a site for school purposes under and in pursuance of the provisions of said chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888 and the various statutes amendatory thereof, being the following described lots, pieces or parcels of land, namely:

All those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the corner formed by the intersection of the northwesterly line of Vermilyea avenue with the southwesterly line of the northwesterly line of Vermilyea avenue, 150 feet; thence northwesterly parallel with said southwesterly line of Academy street 305 feet 2 1/2 inches to the southeasterly line of Kingsbridge road; thence northeasterly along said southeasterly line of Kingsbridge road 15 feet 3 1/2 inches to the southwesterly line of the present site of Grammar School No. 52; thence southeasterly along said southwesterly line of the present site of Grammar School No. 52, 170 feet 6 1/2 inches to a point distant 105 feet and 6 inches southwesterly from the southwesterly line of Academy street, which point is also the southeasterly corner of the present site of Grammar School No. 52; running thence northeasterly nearly parallel with Vermilyea avenue and along the southeasterly line of the present site of Grammar School No. 52, 101 feet 10 inches to the northeasterly corner of said present site of Grammar School No. 52; thence northwesterly and along the northeasterly line of the present site of Grammar School No. 52, 168 feet 7 1/2 inches to a point in the southeasterly line of Kingsbridge road distant 32 feet and 6 inches southwesterly from the intersection of the southeasterly line of Kingsbridge road with the southwesterly line of Academy street; thence northeasterly along said southeasterly line of Kingsbridge road 32 feet and 6 inches to the southwesterly line of Academy street; thence southeasterly along said southwesterly line of Academy street 303 feet 4 1/2 inches to the point or place of beginning.

Dated New York, May 20, 1897.  
FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation,  
No. 2 Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of The Board of Education by the Counsel to the Corporation of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York to certain lands on the southerly side of ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SEVENTH STREET, between Courtlandt and Melrose avenues, in the Twenty-third Ward of said city, duly selected and approved by said Board as a site for school purposes, under and in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888 and the various statutes amendatory thereof.

**PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF CHAP.** 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held in Part III. thereof, at the County Court-house in the City of New York, on the 15th day of June, 1897, at the opening of the Court on that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate in the above-entitled matter.

The nature and extent of the improvements hereby intended is the acquisition of title by the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York to certain lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, on the southerly side of One Hundred and Fifty-seventh street, between Courtlandt and Melrose avenues, in the Twenty-third Ward of said city, in fee simple absolute, the same to be converted, appropriated and used to and for the purposes specified in said chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888 and the various statutes amendatory thereof, said property having been duly selected and approved by the Board of Education as a site for school purposes under and in pursuance of the provisions of said chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888 and the various statutes amendatory thereof, being the following-described lots, pieces or parcels of land, namely:

All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the southerly line of One Hundred and Fifty-seventh street distant 66 feet and 9 inches easterly from the corner formed by the intersection of the southerly line of One Hundred and Fifty-seventh street with the easterly line of Courtlandt avenue; running thence easterly along said southerly line of One Hundred and Fifty-seventh street 25 feet to the westerly line of the present site of Grammar School No. 62; thence southerly and at right angles to One Hundred and Fifty-seventh street and along the said westerly line of the present site of Grammar School No. 62, 48 feet 5 1/2 inches; thence westerly nearly parallel with One Hundred and Fifty-seventh street 25 feet; thence northerly upon a line at right angles to One Hundred and Fifty-seventh street 48 feet 5 1/2 inches to the point or place of beginning.

Dated New York, May 20, 1897.  
FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation,  
No. 2 Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening EAST TWO HUNDRED AND SECOND STREET (Summit street) (although not yet named by proper authority), from the Grand Boulevard and Concourse to Briggs avenue, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE** undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 14th day of May, 1897, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 19th day of May, 1897, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises.

quired of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, ninth floor, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 30th day of June, 1897, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, June 7, 1897.  
AGIL H. HANAU, WILLIAM MCADIE, JAMES M. GORMAN, Commissioners.  
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening KEMBLE STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from Mount Vernon avenue to Verio avenue, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE** bill of costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, at a Special Term thereof, Part I., to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house in the City of New York, on the 18th day of June, 1897, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, and that the said bill of costs, charges and expenses has been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York, there to remain for and during the space of ten days, as required by law.

Dated New York, June 4, 1897.  
EDWARD S. KAUFMAN, ANDERSON PRICE, H. B. HALL, Commissioners.  
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening EAST ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-SIXTH STREET, (although not yet named by proper authority), from Mott avenue to River avenue, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BILL** of costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, at a Special Term thereof, Part I., to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 18th day of June, 1897, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, and that the said bill of costs, charges and expenses has been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York, there to remain for and during the space of ten days, as required by law.

Dated New York, June 4, 1897.  
WM. C. REDDY, WM. M. BLAKE, CHARLES P. LATING, Commissioners.  
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements, and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening GRANT AVENUE (although not yet named by proper authority), from East One Hundred and Sixty-first street to East One Hundred and Seventy-first street, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE** undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 7th day of May, 1897, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 11th day of May, 1897, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, ninth floor, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 15th day of June, 1897, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, May 21, 1897.  
ROBERT STURGIS, RICHARD LAWRENCE, ALVIN SUMMERS, Commissioners.  
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening



DALY AVENUE (although not yet named by proper authority), from East One Hundred and Seventy-sixth street (Woodruff street) to East One Hundred and Eighty-second street (Kingsbridge road), as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE** undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 7th day of May, 1897, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 11th day of May, 1897, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, ninth floor, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 15th day of June, 1897, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, May 21, 1897.  
JOHN DE WITT WARNER, T. F. HASCALL,  
JOHN FORD, Commissioners.  
H. DE F. BALDWIN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening MARIHA AVENUE (although not yet named by proper authority), from East Two Hundred and Thirty-fifth street (formerly Willard street) to the northern boundary of the city, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE** undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 7th day of May, 1897, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 11th day of May, 1897, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, ninth floor, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 15th day of June, 1897, at 12:30 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, May 21, 1897.  
PATRICK A. MCANUS, HUGH A. CURTIN,  
WILLIAM H. HARKER, Commissioners.  
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening EAST ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIFTH STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from Third avenue to Boston road, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE** undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 7th day of May, 1897, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 11th day of May,

1897, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, ninth floor, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 15th day of June, 1897, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, May 21, 1897.  
EDWARD JACOBS, RIGUAL D. WOODWARD,  
LOUIS SEIDE, Commissioners.  
H. DE F. BALDWIN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening EAST ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SIXTH STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from Jerome avenue to Monroe avenue, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE** undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 7th day of May, 1897, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 11th day of May, 1897, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, ninth floor, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 15th day of June, 1897, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, May 21, 1897.  
J. C. O'CONNOR, JR., EDWARD B. WHITNEY,  
JOHN W. FOLLEY, Commissioners.  
H. DE F. BALDWIN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Board of Education by the Council to the Corporation of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York to certain lands at the northeastern corner of BROOME AND CANNON STREETS, in the Thirteenth Ward of said city, duly selected and approved by said Board as a site for school purposes, under and in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888 and the various statutes amendatory thereof.

**PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 191 OF THE LAWS OF 1888 AND THE VARIOUS STATUTES AMENDATORY THEREOF,** notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held in Part III. thereof, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 15th day of June, 1897, at the opening of the Court on that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate in the above entitled matter.

The nature and extent of the improvements hereby intended is the acquisition of title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York to certain lands and premises with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, at the northeastern corner of Broome and Cannon streets, in the Thirteenth Ward of said city, in fee simple absolute, the same to be converted, appropriated and used to and for the purposes specified in said chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888 and the various statutes amendatory thereof, said property having been duly selected and approved by the Board of Education as a site for school purposes, under and in pursuance of the provisions of said chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888 and the various statutes amendatory thereof, being the following described lots, pieces or parcels of land, namely:

All those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the Thirteenth Ward of the City of New York, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the corner formed by the intersection of the northerly line of Broome street with the easterly line of Cannon street; running thence northerly along said easterly line of Cannon street 75 feet to the southerly line of the present site of Primary School No. 10; thence easterly parallel with Broome street and along said southerly line of the present site of Primary School No. 10, 99 feet and 11 inches; thence southerly parallel with Cannon street 75 feet to the northerly line of Broome street; thence westerly along said northerly line of Broome street 99 feet and 11 inches to the point or place of beginning.

Dated New York, May 20, 1897.  
FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation,  
No. 2 Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening EAST ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FOURTH STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from Jerome avenue to Park avenue (Vanderbilt avenue, West), as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE** undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 7th day of May, 1897, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 11th day of May, 1897, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, ninth floor, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 15th day of June, 1897, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, May 21, 1897.  
ROLLIN M. MORGAN, GEORGE J. VESTNER,  
JOHN DE WITT WARNER, Commissioners.  
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening VAN CORTLANDT AVENUE (although not yet named by proper authority), from Jerome avenue to Moshulu Parkway, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE** undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 7th day of May, 1897, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 11th day of May, 1897, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, ninth floor, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 15th day of June, 1897, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto. And at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, May 21, 1897.  
JULIAN B. SHOPE, EDWARD HOGAN, JR.,  
WILLIAM G. STACK, Commissioners.  
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening EAST ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTIETH STREET (Samuel street), from Third avenue to the Bronx river, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE** undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 7th day of May, 1897, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of

New York on the 11th day of May, 1897, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, ninth floor, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 15th day of June, 1897, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, May 21, 1897.  
EDWARD B. WHITNEY, WM. F. HULL,  
EMANUEL BLUMENTHAL, Commissioners.  
H. DE F. BALDWIN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York, for and on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to UNION AVENUE (although not yet named by proper authority), from the north side of East One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street to the Boston road, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road by the Department of Public Parks.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BILL** of costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, at a Special Term thereof, Part I., to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 17th day of June, 1897, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, and that the said bill of costs, charges and expenses has been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York, there to remain for and during the space of ten days, as required by law.

Dated New York, June 2, 1897.  
G. M. SPEIR, WILBUR LARREMORE, SAM'L SANDERS, Commissioners.  
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York, for and on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to FRANKLIN AVENUE (although not yet named by proper authority), from Third avenue to Crotona Park, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road by the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BILL** of costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, at a Special Term thereof, Part I., to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 17th day of June, 1897, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, and that the said bill of costs, charges and expenses has been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York, there to remain for and during the space of ten days, as required by law.

Dated New York, June 2, 1897.  
EDWARD L. PARRIS, NATHAN J. NEW-WITTER, MATTHEW CHALMERS, Commissioners.  
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Education by the Council to the Corporation of the City of New York relative to acquiring title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York to certain lands on AVENUE C, EIGHTH AND NINTH STREETS, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of said city, duly selected and approved by said Board as a site for school purposes under and in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888 and the various statutes amendatory thereof.

**PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 191 OF THE LAWS OF 1888 AND THE VARIOUS STATUTES AMENDATORY THEREOF,** notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held in Part III. thereof, at the County Court-house in the City of New York, on the 15th day of June, 1897, at the opening of the Court on that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate in the above-entitled matter.

The nature and extent of the improvements hereby intended is the acquisition of title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to certain lands and premises with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging on Avenue C, Eighth and Ninth streets, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of said city, in fee simple absolute, the same to be converted, appropriated and used to and for the purposes specified in said chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888 and the various statutes amendatory thereof, said property having been duly selected and approved by the Board of Education as a site for school purposes, under and in pursuance of the provisions of said chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888 and the various statutes amendatory thereof, being the following described lots, pieces or parcels of land, namely:

All those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the corner formed by the intersection of the easterly line of Avenue C with the northerly line of Eighth street; running thence northerly and along said easterly line of Avenue C 216 feet to the southerly line of Ninth street; thence easterly along said southerly line of Ninth street 205 feet; thence southerly parallel with the easterly line of Avenue C 216 feet to the northerly line of Eighth street; thence westerly along the northerly line of Eighth street 205 feet to the point or place of beginning.

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