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BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

FRIDAY, December 5, 1884,
1 o'clock P. M.

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

PRESENT :

Hon. William P. Kirk, President.

ALDERMEN

Thomas Cleary,
Robert E. De Lacy,
Charles Dempsey,
Michael Duffy,
Patrick Farley,
Frederick Finck,
Ludolph A. Fulgraff,
Hugh J. Grant,

Henry W. Jaehne,
Patrick Kenney,
William H. Miller,
Francis McCabe,
Michael F. McLoughlin,
Arthur J. McQuade,
John C. O'Connor, Jr.,
John O'Neil,

James Pearson,
Charles H. Reilly,
Thomas Rothman,
Henry L. Sayles,
Thomas Sheils,
Charles B. Waite,
Louis Wendel.

On motion of Alderman Jaehne, the reading of the minutes of the last meeting was dispensed with.

Alderman McLoughlin moved to suspend the Rules in order to take up veto message No. 264 of his Honor the Mayor.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion. Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman McLoughlin then called up veto message of his Honor the Mayor (No. 264), of a preamble and resolution, as follows :

Whereas, The Broadway Surface Railroad Company heretofore made application in writing to the Common Council of the City of New York for its consent and permission to be granted to the said Company, to construct, maintain, operate and use a street surface railroad, to be operated by horse power, upon and along the surface of the streets, avenues and highways in the City of New York, and upon the route mentioned in the petition of said The Broadway Surface Railroad Company, dated October 3, 1884, addressed to the said Common Council, and duly verified on the same day by James A. Richmond, President of the said company ; and

Whereas, On receipt of the said petition in writing, containing the aforesaid application of the said company for the consent of the Common Council to the construction, operation and use by said company of its proposed railroad upon the route mentioned in said petition, the Common Council caused public notice of such application, and of the time and place when the same would be first considered, to be published daily for at least fourteen days in two daily newspapers of the City of New York, to wit, in the New York "World" and the "Evening Post," which papers were designated for that purpose by his Honor the Mayor, and the said notice having been likewise published daily at least fourteen days in the newspaper published in the City of New York called the "Daily Register ;" and

Whereas, On the 29th day of October, 1884, at 11 o'clock A. M., at the Chamber of the Board of Aldermen, that being the time and place designated in said notice, a meeting of the Common Council was had to first consider the aforesaid application of said The Broadway Surface Railroad Company, and the said application and the accompanying papers having been thereupon referred to the Committee on Railroads, in order that all persons interested might have a hearing, and the said Committee having had several protracted sessions at which every person interested either for or against the application, who desired to be heard, was heard, and the said Committee having listened to, and received all arguments or evidence offered in support of or against the said application, and having made their report to this Board, dated November 10, 1884, accompanied by a stenographic or printed record of the proceedings before the Committee, together with all documents or exhibits offered by any or either of the parties, and the said report and record and the accompanying papers having been duly considered by the Board ; and,

Whereas, In the opinion of the Common Council, an urgent necessity exists for a railroad in Broadway, between the Battery and Union Square, for the accommodation of the general public ; and,

Whereas, In the judgment of this Board it is not expedient to make an auction sale of the consent or permission which alone the Common Council has power to grant for the construction of the proposed railroad, but this Board has determined to exact from any company to whom its consent for the construction of a railroad on Broadway shall be granted, in addition to the percentages on gross receipts, which by law is required to be paid into the City Treasury, such further compensation as shall be just and fair, bearing in mind that the object to be attained is not chiefly revenue, but the promotion of the public interest, by securing an efficient and well conducted railroad, which will afford the greatest accommodation to the public with the least interference with the present use of the street or the pavement thereof or the structures underneath the same ; and

Whereas, A horse railroad can be easily constructed on Broadway, without any protracted interference with the public travel on said street or with the use thereof by carriages, trucks and other vehicles ; and

Whereas, In the judgment of the Common Council the public inducements offered by the petitioner in the proposed construction and operation of its railroad are superior to those which under the law can be offered by any other company ; now, therefore,

Resolved, That the consent of this Board be and the same is hereby granted and permission of the Common Council is hereby given to said The Broadway Surface Railroad Company to construct, maintain, operate and use a street surface railroad for public use in the conveyance of persons and property in cars upon and along the surface of the following streets, avenues and highways in the City of New York, to wit : Commencing at the southerly end of Broadway near the Battery and running thence with double tracks through and along Broadway and across Fourteenth street to and along Union Square to a point at or near the intersection of Fifteenth street and West Union Square, together with the necessary connections, switches, sidings, turn-outs, turn-tables and suitable stands for the convenient working of said road ; and it is hereby further

Resolved, That the consent of the Common Council is given and granted to said The Broadway Surface Railroad Company for the construction, maintenance and use of its proposed railroad, as aforesaid, upon the streets, avenues and route hereinbefore mentioned, expressly upon the following conditions and not otherwise :

First—The said railroad shall be constructed according to the most approved plan for the construction of city railroads and with the most approved pattern of steel rails, which shall be laid in such manner as to interfere as little as possible with the use of the surface of the street by trucks, carriages and other ordinary vehicles, and the said connections, switches, sidings, turn-outs, turn-tables and suitable stands which shall be necessary for the convenient working of said road, shall likewise be constructed after the most approved plan, and shall be equal in all respects to the best of their kind now in use on any city railroads in the City of New York.

Second—The said railroad shall be operated by horse-power only, and the cars to be run on said railroad shall be drawn by not less than two horses, and shall each be provided with a conductor as well as a driver ; provided, however, that the said company may make use of any motive power suitable for the purposes of a street surface railroad other than locomotive steam power, which may hereafter be consented to by the local authorities and by a majority of the property-owners obtained in accordance with the provisions of chapter 252 of the Laws of 1884.

Third—The said company shall comply with all reasonable ordinances or regulations which the local authorities having charge of streets, avenues, roads or highways in the City of New York shall make as to the rate of speed, mode of use of tracks and removal of ice and snow from said tracks as the interest and convenience of the public may require ; and this consent is likewise given upon the express condition that said company shall not charge any passenger more than five cents for one continuous ride from any point on its road or on any road or line or branch operated by it or under its control, to any other point thereon, or on any connecting branch thereof, within the limits of the City of New York, and if said company has acquired, or shall hereafter obtain, the right to run its cars upon the existing tracks of The Broadway and Seventh Avenue Railroad Company, or if The Broadway and Seventh Avenue Railroad Company has heretofore acquired, or shall hereafter obtain, the right to run its cars on the said railroad tracks proposed to be constructed by The Broadway Surface Railroad Company, but one fare of five cents shall be charged for the transportation of a single passenger over the whole or any portion of said respective tracks when run in such connection. Provided, further, that no railroad company shall be permitted to run any cars upon or over any portion of Broadway, below Fifteenth street, unless upon the express condition of payment being made into the City Treasury of three per cent. during the first five years, and five per cent. thereafter, of the gross receipts from passengers riding upon any portion of the railroad tracks which may be constructed pursuant to this consent or permission. And said The Broadway Surface Railroad Company shall also, whenever and as required, and under the supervision of the proper local authorities, have and keep in permanent repair the portion of every street and avenue or highway upon which its tracks shall be constructed pursuant to this consent, between its tracks, the rails of its tracks, and a space two feet in width outside of and adjoining the outside rails of its track or tracks so to be constructed, so long as it shall continue to use such tracks so constructed under the provisions of this resolution and consent.

Fourth—The said The Broadway Surface Railroad Company shall, for and during the first five years after the commencement of the operation of any portion of its railroad constructed pursuant to this consent and permission, annually on the first day of November in each year, pay into the treasury of the City of New York, to the credit of the Sinking Fund thereof, three per cent. of its gross receipts for and during the year ending the next preceding thirtieth day of September, and also after the expiration of said five years make a like annual payment of five per cent. of its gross receipts into the treasury of said city to the credit of the Sinking Fund thereof, instead of three per cent. ; and if, under any provision of law, The Broadway Surface Railroad Company shall permit the cars of any other street surface railroad company to run upon the railroad tracks to be constructed pursuant to this consent and permission, it shall likewise be the duty of said The Broadway Surface Railroad Company to pay or cause to be paid into the treasury of this city, to the credit of the Sinking Fund thereof, during the first five years, an amount equal to three per cent., and after the expiration of five years an amount equal to five per cent. of the gross receipts of such other railroad company derived from passengers riding in any of its cars on any portion of Broadway south of Fifteenth street, and that, too, whether any of such passengers enter or leave the said cars above or below Fifteenth street. And it shall be the duty of the President and Treasurer of said The Broadway Surface Railroad Company, on or before the first day of November in each year, to make a verified report to the Comptroller of the City of New York of the gross amount of its receipts derived from passengers riding in its cars for the year ending the next preceding 30th day of September, and the books of said company shall be open to inspection and examination by said Comptroller or his duly appointed agent, at all reasonable times, for the purpose of ascertaining the correctness of said report as to said gross receipts ; and it shall be the further duty of The Broadway Surface Railroad Company to ascertain and keep, or cause to be kept, an account of the number of passengers carried in the cars of any other railroad company over any portion of the tracks of The Broadway Surface Railroad Company constructed and laid pursuant to the provisions of this consent, in such manner as shall be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York. And it is the intention of this provision that for the purpose of computing the percentages to be paid into the City Treasury, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the consent or permission of the Common Council hereby given, each and every passenger riding in either direction on any part of Broadway south of Fifteenth street upon or over any portion of the railroad tracks which shall be constructed by The Broadway Surface Railroad Company pursuant to this consent shall be regarded as having paid five cents fare to the company in whose car he shall ride, and for the payment of the percentages on all fares received from such passengers by any railroad company using such tracks The Broadway Surface Railroad Company shall be responsible.

Fifth—And this consent of the Common Council is likewise given upon the express condition that said The Broadway Surface Railroad Company, in addition to the percentages of gross receipts hereinbefore required to be paid by it into the City Treasury, shall, at the expiration of the first year from the date when the operation of its railroad shall commence, and annually thereafter, pay into the City Treasury to the credit of the Sinking Fund thereof, by way of rent or as additional compensation, the sum of forty thousand dollars per annum, being equivalent to the interest on one million dollars at four per cent., and said The Broadway Surface Railroad Company shall execute to the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York a bond, with at least two sufficient sureties, to be approved as to form and sufficiency of the sureties by any justice of the Supreme Court in the First Judicial District and Department, in the penal sum of one hundred thousand dollars for the due and regular payment of said annual sum of forty thousand dollars, and for the due and regular payment of the aforesaid percentages on gross receipts.

Sixth—And the consent herein given is granted likewise upon the express condition that all the provisions of chapter 252 of the Laws of 1884, pertinent thereto, shall be complied with.

Seventh—And this consent and permission is given upon the further condition that said The Broadway Surface Railroad Company shall, within sixty days after the adoption by the Common Council of the foregoing resolutions, execute, under its corporate seal, to be attested by its President or Treasurer, and by virtue of a resolution of its Board of Directors, an instrument in writing, which shall be delivered to the Comptroller of the City of New York, and which shall contain and express the acceptance by said company of the aforesaid consent and permission of the Common Council for the construction, use and operation by said company of its proposed railroad upon the streets and route above mentioned, upon the aforesaid terms and conditions upon which the said consent or permission is granted and binding, the said company to abide by, comply with, fulfill, perform and keep the terms and conditions aforesaid, and also binding the said company to build, equip and commence to operate its proposed railroad within one year after it shall obtain the consent of the requisite number of property-owners, or the report of Commissioners confirmed by the Court, as required by the Constitution and Laws of this State, and likewise binding the said company to prosecute with diligence all necessary proceedings to perfect its right to build, construct and operate its proposed railroad, but no delays which may occur by reason of injunctions or hostile legal proceedings shall affect in any manner the consent or permission hereby granted, provided the said company shall proceed with reasonable diligence to build, complete and commence to operate its proposed railroad after the removal of such legal obstacles, and shall execute and deliver to the Comptroller the obligation or instrument of acceptance aforesaid within sixty days after the removal of such legal obstacles.

But it is further provided that in the event of the failure or neglect of the said company to make the said report and the payment of the said percentages as hereinbefore directed and required, then and in that event the provisions of section 8 of chapter 252 of the Laws of 1884, providing for a forfeiture of the rights, privileges and franchises of such company, shall be applicable.

The Board then, as provided in section 75, chapter 410, Laws of 1882, proceeded to reconsider the same, and, upon a vote being taken thereon, was adopted, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor, as follows :

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fulgraff, Jaehne, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McLoughlin, McQuade, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, Waite, and Wendel—22.

Negative—Aldermen Grant and O'Connor—2.

REPORTS.

The Committee on Railroads, to which was referred the annexed message from his Honor the Mayor, vetoing a preamble and resolution repealing a resolution adopted August 30, 1884, notwithstanding the objections of the Mayor, granting the consent of the local authorities to the construction and operation of a surface railroad on Broadway, respectfully

REPORT :

The action of the Mayor in vetoing this resolution was unwarrantable. When the second application of The Broadway Surface Railroad Company was presented to the Common Council, the communication from President Richmond showed that the company desired to comply with any con-

ditions that the Common Council should deem to be for the public interest. When the Common Council were about to act upon the very full and careful report and recommendations of the Railroad Committee, Mayor Edson resorted to the unprecedented measure of bringing a suit against the Aldermen and procured an injunction to prevent action upon the company's application. After hearing the Corporation Counsel in the Mayor's suit, Judge Barrett authorized the Common Council to act upon the application within certain limitations, and the resolutions which were offered and adopted conformed to the letter and spirit of Judge Barrett's order, and were entirely satisfactory to the Corporation Counsel; and not one word of criticism has been uttered against them in the public press or by any citizen. After a decision in his own suit, that was acceptable to and approved by his own counsel, Mayor Edson could not and did not veto the resolutions in good faith. His suit was brought for delay, and he declared this to be his object to members of this Board.

His veto of the resolution of August 30th was also in bad faith and unbecoming. In his injunction proceeding Mayor Edson made it a ground of accusation that The Broadway Surface Railroad Company had not abandoned any benefit from the resolution of August 30th. Upon the hearing before Judge Barrett, after the conditions under which this Board should act had been settled, the learned Judge used these words: "And when that is all accomplished it will be a graceful thing on the part of the Board of Aldermen to repeal the other resolution." It was in deference to this suggestion of the Supreme Court that the resolution of repeal was offered and passed; and it was in defiance of all decency that Mayor Edson vetoed it. In his veto message the Mayor makes the astounding statement that a Judge of the Supreme Court has decided that the meeting of August 30th was illegal. We have made inquiry of the Corporation Counsel and also of the Special Counsel of the Board in the Mayor's suit concerning the alleged decision, and we regret to say that the Mayor's assertion was destitute of foundation.

There is every reason for passing these resolutions over the Mayor's veto. They secure greater benefits to the city than have been offered or suggested by any other company, and they have the sanction of the Supreme Court and of the Corporation Counsel. On the general question whether there should be a railroad in Broadway, it is a very decisive and significant fact that a majority of property owners, who are made judges of its desirableness under the constitution, have declared their judgment in favor of a railroad in that thoroughfare. The question whether it shall be a cable or a horse railroad may and must now be left to the wise determination of Commissioners and of the General Term of the Supreme Court.

M. F. McLOUGHLIN, } Committee
CHARLES DEMPSEY, } on
ROBERT E. DE LACY, } Railroads.
C. B. WAITE.

The preamble and resolution vetoed by his Honor the Mayor is as follows:

Whereas, The Common Council has this day adopted a resolution giving and granting to The Broadway Surface Railroad Company the consent and permission of the Common Council for the construction, maintenance and operation of its proposed railroad; and

Whereas, Such consent is intended by this Board in lieu of or in substitution for the resolution which was passed and adopted by this Board on the 30th day of August last, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor, giving consent to the construction by said company of the railroad mentioned in said resolution; now therefore

Resolved, That the said resolution of August 30, 1884, be and the same is hereby in all things repealed, rescinded and annulled.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree to accept the report of the Committee.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

The Board then, on the recommendation of the Committee, and as provided in section 75, chapter 410, Laws of 1882, proceeded to reconsider the preamble and resolution, and, upon a vote being taken thereon, was adopted, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor, as follows:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Jaehne, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McLoughlin, McQuade, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, Waite, and Wendel—22.

Negative—Aldermen Grant and O'Connor—2.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Alderman Miller called up G. O. 541, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That Washington street, from Twelfth to Fourteenth street, be regulated and graded, curb-stones set and sidewalks flagged a space four feet wide, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Jaehne, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McLoughlin, McQuade, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, Waite, and Wendel—22.

Alderman Duffy called up G. O. 517, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That the building on the southeasterly corner of Lexington avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-fifth (125th) street be and is hereby designated as the place for holding the court for the District Court in the City of New York for the Ninth Judicial District, and that the Comptroller of the City of New York be and is hereby requested to take such legal measures as may be necessary to obtain a lease of the said premises for a period of ten years, at an annual rental not to exceed the sum of forty-five hundred dollars.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McLoughlin, McQuade, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, Waite, and Wendel—21.

Negative—Alderman O'Connor—1.

PETITIONS.

By Alderman Grant—

Petition of owners of property on Seventy-ninth street, between the Riverside avenue and Twelfth avenue, to have said street regulated, etc.:

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—We, the undersigned, request that Seventy-ninth street, between Riverside Drive and Twelfth avenue, bordered on both sides by Riverside Park, be immediately regraded, as its present condition by rendering the dock at the foot of the street comparatively unavailable for all kinds of business, especially for the conveyance of building material, etc., greatly retards the development of the west side. Believing the simple statement that the grade is so steep that a team can draw only a half a load at a time, and that this is the only dock between Fifty-fifth and Ninety-sixth streets, on the North river, will show you the necessity of immediate action on your part.

We are, very respectfully,

Townsend & Co., 254 Eighth avenue, and Broadway, and 81st and 82d streets.

James Slattey, 620 W. 84th street.

Sinclair & Wills, 462 W. 81st street.

Richard Deeves, 81st and 82d streets, and 243 E. 13th street.

Candee & Smith, 26th, 53d, and 62d streets, E. R.

Canda & Kane, 55th and 51st streets, N. R., and 14th street, E. R.

Egbert L. Viele, President of the Department of Public Parks.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Alderman Sheils—

Resolved, That S. W. Valentine be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, whose term of office expires December 30, 1884.

By Alderman Grant—

Resolved, That Richard Keef be and he hereby is appointed a Commissioner of Deeds for the City and County of New York, in place of Richard Keef, whose term of office expires December 7, 1884.

By Alderman Waite—

Resolved, That Elliott J. Arthur be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, his term of office having expired.

By Alderman Grant—

Resolved, That James Brice be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, whose term of office expired December 7, 1884.

By the President—

Resolved, That George Nuhn be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Eugene H. Lewis, whose term of office has expired.

By Alderman Finck—

Resolved, That Gustave Newman be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Gustave Newman, whose term of office will expire December 7, 1884.

By Alderman De Lacy—

Resolved, That Emanuel M. Goodhart be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Emanuel M. Goodhart, whose term of office expires December 15, 1884.

By Alderman Finck—

Resolved, That Hermann George Von Alvensleben be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Edward L. Murphy, whose term of office has expired.

By Alderman Duffy—

Resolved, That Henry P. McGown be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Henry P. McGown, whose term of office will expire December 9, 1884.

By Alderman O'Neil—

Resolved, That Frank Snyder be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of John J. Herbert, whose term of office will expire December 7, 1884.

By Alderman Finck—

Resolved, That Frederick H. Ernst be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Frederick H. Ernst, whose term of office will expire December 14, 1884.

By Alderman Jaehne—

Resolved, That Isaac J. Cahen be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York in place of John F. McIntyre, whose term of office has expired.

By Alderman Sheils—

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

By Alderman Finck—

Resolved, Arthur Kinnier be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Arthur Kinnier, whose term of office will expire December 14, 1884.

By the same—

Resolved, That Sigismund Bott be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Edgar A. Simmons, who has failed to qualify.

By Alderman O'Neil—

Resolved, That Henry W. Blumer be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Henry W. Blumer, whose term of office expires December 14, 1884.

By Alderman Fullgraff—

Resolved, That William T. Matthies be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of William T. Matthies, whose term of office expires December 14, 1884.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with the several resolutions.

Which was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Jaehne, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McLoughlin, McQuade, O'Connor, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, Waite, and Wendel—24.

By Alderman Sayles—

Resolved, That the sidewalk on the north side of Forty-second street, in front of the extension to the Grand Central Depot, be and is hereby established at the width of twenty feet, and the New York Central Railroad Company be and is hereby permitted to curb and gutter and flag the said sidewalk, provided the work be done at its own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman O'Neil—

Resolved, That section 183 of article XIII. of chapter 8 of the Revised Ordinances of 1880 be and is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the words, "nor 'Manhattan Park,' situated in One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, 200 feet west of Eighth avenue."

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Finck—

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby requested to include in the list of streets to be repaved next year, under the provisions of chapter 476, Laws of 1885:

Essex street, from Houston to Division street.

Orchard street, from Houston to Division street.

Hester street, from Bowery to Suffolk street.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Wendel—

Resolved, That James M. More be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, whose term of office expired December 7, 1884.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative as follows:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Jaehne, Kenney, Miller, McQuade, O'Neil, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, Waite, and Wendel—20.

By the President—

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby requested to include in the list of streets to be repaved next year, under the provisions of chapter 476, Laws of 1875, Dover street, from Pearl to South street.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman McLoughlin—

Resolved, That a free drinking-hydrant, for man and beast, be erected on the northwest corner of Tenth avenue and Thirty-fourth street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By the same—

Resolved, That a free drinking-hydrant, for man and beast, be erected on the southeast corner of Eighth avenue and Thirtieth street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Finck—

Resolved, That the Commission for lighting the City be requested to light the Bowery, from Chatham Square to Sixth street, with electric lights.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

(G. O. 554.)

By Alderman Fullgraff—

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps lighted in Beaumont avenue or Monroe avenue, from Kingsbridge road to the junction of Crescent avenue and Clay avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 555.)

By Alderman Grant—

Resolved, That One Hundred and Twelfth street, from the Boulevard to Tenth avenue, be regulated and graded, on the established lines and grades, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

By Alderman Waite—

AN ORDINANCE in relation to boxing, sparring, or wrestling exhibitions in the City of New York.

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

Section 1. It shall not be lawful for any boxing, sparring, or wrestling exhibition, to see which an admission fee is charged, to take place or be given at any place within the corporate limits of the City of New York, under a penalty of fifty dollars for each and every offense or violation of the provisions of this ordinance, unless license to give any and every such exhibition shall be first obtained from the Mayor of said city, who is hereby authorized and empowered to specify the amount and receive the fee or license to be paid for each and every such exhibition, and all moneys so received as license fees shall be paid by the Mayor to the Treasurer of the Police Pension Fund, for the benefit of said fund.

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

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law Department.

By Alderman Duffy—

Resolved, That George Cowen be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

(G. O. 556.)

By the same—

Resolved, That an extra course, of four feet in width, of flagging be laid upon the sidewalk on the south side of One Hundred and Twenty-first street, between Lexington and Fourth avenues, and the present flagging be relaid where necessary, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

By Alderman Miller—

Resolved, That William E. Bishop be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By the President—

Resignation of John W. Nammack as a Commissioner of Deeds.

Which was accepted.

Whereupon the President offered the following:

Resolved, That James W. McGowan be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of John W. Nammack, who has resigned.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, Dempsey, Duffy, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Jaehne, Kenney, Miller, McLoughlin, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, Waite, and Wendel—19.

By Alderman McLoughlin—

Resolved, That Benjamin Stein be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Cleary—

Resolved, That the name of Samuel Adams, who was recently appointed a Commissioner of Deeds, be and is hereby corrected so as to read Samuel F. Adams.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Waite—

Resolved, That permission be and hereby is granted to "The Underground Electric Company" to use the streets, avenues, public parks and places within the City of New York, for the purpose of laying, maintaining, and using lines of electrical conductors underground, in tubes or otherwise, and for the constructing, maintaining, and using in such streets, upon and below the surface of the ground, boxes or other fixtures suitable for distributing electricity and for testing from time to time, the wires and insulators of said lines, and for access thereto, provided that no box or other structure of said company shall project above the surface of the street so as to obstruct or hinder the passage of persons or vehicles. All excavations in streets, removals or replacements of pavements and sidewalks shall be done by said company under and according to the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works. For each street opened and used by the Company under this permission, for the use of laying therein lines of electrical conductors, it shall pay to the city a sum equal to one cent for each lineal foot of said street occupied.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

By Alderman Sheils—

Whereas, The condition of many of the streets in the Seventh Ward, particularly Monroe, Cherry, Hamilton, Jackson, Montgomery, Pelham, and Birmingham streets and Rutgers Slip, the carriageways of which are in many places sunken, the pavements displaced, and so much out of repair as to render the streets almost impassable, renders it necessary that action should be taken by the Health authorities to have them repaired, as the holes caused by the sunken pavements become filled with stagnant water, to the detriment of the health of residents in the neighborhood; be it therefore

Resolved, That the attention of the Health Department be and is hereby respectfully called to the unhealthy condition of the streets above named, with a view to compelling action by the proper department, to have the pavements in said streets restored and repaired, thereby improving the sanitary condition of the neighborhood.

Alderman O'Neil moved that the resolution be laid on the table.

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

Which was decided in the negative, on a division called by Alderman Sheils, as follows:

Affirmative—Aldermen De Lacy, O'Connor, O'Neil, and Reilly—4.

Negative—Aldermen Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McLoughlin, Rothman, Sheils, Waite, and Wendel—14.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division called by Alderman O'Neil, as follows:

Affirmative—Aldermen De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Fullgraff, Grant, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McLoughlin, O'Connor, Pearson, Rothman, Sheils, Waite, and Wendel—16.

Negative—Alderman O'Neil—1.

REPORTS RESUMED.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of permitting H. Freund to retain awning at No. 99 First avenue, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they recommend that the said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Herman Freund to retain the awning now in front of No. 99 First avenue; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

FRANCIS McCABE, } Committee
THOMAS SHEILS, } on
L. A. FULLGRAFF, } Streets.
LOUIS WENDEL, }

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

(G. O. 557.)

The Committee on Streets, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of laying an additional course of flagging in North Third avenue, from One Hundred and Sixty-first to One Hundred and Sixty-third street, respectfully

REPORT:

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

Resolved, That an additional course of flagging, four feet wide, be laid on the east side of North Third avenue, between One Hundred and Sixty-first street or Clifton street and One Hundred and Sixty-third street, that the present flagging be reset, under the direction of the Commissioners of Public Parks; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

FRANCIS McCABE, } Committee
THOMAS SHEILS, } on
L. A. FULLGRAFF, } Streets.
LOUIS WENDEL, }

Which was laid over.

The Committee on Markets, to whom was referred the annexed resolution, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, and after giving a full, fair and impartial hearing to all the parties interested in the matter, they believe that the enactment of said resolution is absolutely necessary for the protection of the owners of canal boats which freight coal in and about the Harbor of New York.

That they believe that no person who is willing to do a fair and honest business in the handling of orders or permits for coal, will object to its enactment, and it will be a safeguard for them as well as for the canal boat operators.

That we gave a patient hearing to the coal freight scalpers and, from their own statements, we find nothing which would convince us that fair and honest dealing between them and the canal boat owner would, in any manner, be interfered with by the passage of this resolution.

We therefore recommend that said resolution be adopted in form submitted, in place of the original resolution, as that will then conform to ordinance in relation to vendors now in force, which does not require the consent of the Alderman of the district.

Resolved, That it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to sell, peddle or vend any order or permit in relation to the freighting of coal by canal boats within the City of New York, under a penalty of one hundred dollars for each offense, unless such person shall have previously obtained

from the Mayor of the City of New York a license in the form and manner now prescribed in relation to peddlers and vendors, and the fee for such license to be one hundred dollars, and shall be deposited by the Mayor to credit of the fund called "The Sinking Fund of the City of New York, for the Redemption of the City Debt."

HENRY L. SAYLES, } Committee
LOUIS WENDEL, } on
PATRICK KENNEY, } Markets.
THOMAS CLEARY, }
THOMAS SHEILS, }

Alderman O'Connor moved that the report be laid over.

Alderman Grant moved that the ordinance be referred to the Counsel to the Corporation for his opinion.

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

Which was decided in the negative, on a division called by Alderman Cleary, as follows:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Finck, Grant, O'Connor, and Waite—5.

Negative—Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Jaehne, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McLoughlin, McQuade, O'Neil, Pearson, Rothman, Sheils, and Wendel—16.

The President then put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Alderman O'Connor.

Which was decided in the negative.

The President then put the question whether the Board would agree to adopt the resolution reported by the Committee.

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division called by Alderman Cleary, as follows:

Affirmative—Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Fullgraff, Jaehne, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McLoughlin, McQuade, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, and Wendel—19.

Negative—Aldermen Finck, Grant, O'Connor, and Waite—4.

The President was excused from voting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS RESUMED.

Alderman McLoughlin called up G. O. 516, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That the rooms in the County Court-house set apart for the use and occupation of the Justices of the Supreme Court for this district, be altered, painted, thoroughly fitted up and furnished, at an expense not to exceed the sum of \$15,000, to be charged respectively to the appropriations for "Public Buildings—Construction and Repairs" and "Supplies for and Cleaning Public Offices" for the year 1885, or other appropriate account, without advertising for estimates or contracting therefor; the work to be done and supplies furnished under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, in a manner satisfactory to the Justices of said Court and subject to their approval.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Jaehne, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McLoughlin, McQuade, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, Waite, and Wendel—23.

The President called up G. O. 551, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That the roadway of Tenth avenue, from Seventy-fourth to One Hundred and Tenth street, be paved with granite-block pavement and that crosswalks be laid where required, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Kenney, Miller, McLoughlin, McQuade, O'Connor, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, and Sheils—19.

REPORTS AGAIN RESUMED.

The Committee on County Affairs, to which was referred the annexed application of the County Clerk for additional office accommodations, respectfully

REPORT:

That, upon examination, your Committee find the statements contained in the application of the County Clerk to be strictly in accordance with the facts in the case, and the reasons given by him why more enlarged facilities for the transaction of the business of his office should be immediately provided, are simply incontrovertible. It is, therefore, the imperative duty of the Common Council to provide the additional rooms required, to facilitate the transaction of the business of the County Clerk's office, and the preservation and care of the valuable records it contains.

Accordingly, the following resolution is respectfully offered for your adoption:

Resolved, That rooms Nos. 5 and 6 in the New County Court house, in the City of New York, be, and they are hereby set apart for, and assigned to the County Clerk, to be used and occupied as a part of his office.

C. B. WAITE, } Committee
FREDERICK FINCK, } on
FRANCIS McCABE, } County Affairs.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

To the Common Council of the City of New York:

The Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred the application, in writing, of The Brooklyn and Jersey City Ferry Railroad Company, contained or mentioned in this petition, dated and verified July 21, 1884, and addressed to the Common Council of the City of New York, praying for the consent and permission of the Common Council, that said Company may construct and lay down tracks through certain streets in said city, and asking consent to construct, maintain and use and operate the tracks through, upon and along the following streets in the City of New York, beginning at Fulton Ferry on the East river, and running westerly through Fulton street to West street, and southerly through West street to Liberty Street Ferry on the North river, and running thence northerly through West street to Dey street, and easterly through Dey street and John street to South street, and northerly through South street to Fulton Ferry, and also to construct such switches, sidings, turn-outs and turn-tables, and suitable stands at such points along said route as may appear necessary or convenient for the working of said road, do respectfully

REPORT

as follows:

Pursuant to public notice of such application, designating the time and place when such application would be first considered, which notice was published daily for at least fourteen days in two daily newspapers published in this city, to wit: The New York "World" and the New York "Journal of Commerce," which papers were designated for that purpose by his Honor the Mayor of this City, your Committee, on 26th August, 1884, met at eleven o'clock, A. M., in the Chamber of the Board of Aldermen, such being the time and place designated in such notice, to first consider such application, and thereupon and thereafter the hearing in the matter of said application was regularly postponed from time to time until, after several hearings and finally when hearing was had before your Committee by the persons representing the petitioner, and those appearing to oppose, and your Committee having afforded to any person desiring to be heard in opposition abundant opportunity for hearing.

And your Committee further report, that after a hearing of the parties in interest and those opposed, your Committee are of the opinion that public convenience will be promoted by the proposed construction of the railroad of said petitioner, and your Committee therefore recommends for adoption the following resolution, giving and granting to the petitioner the consent of the Common Council that said The Brooklyn and Jersey City Ferry Railroad Company may construct, maintain, operate and use the proposed railroad upon the terms and conditions mentioned in said resolution.

Resolved, That the consent of this Board be and the same is hereby granted, and permission of the Common Council is hereby given, to The Brooklyn and Jersey City Ferry Railroad Company to construct, maintain, operate and use the railroad of said Company for public use in the conveyance of persons and property in cars along and upon the surface of the following streets, avenues, and highways in the City of New York, to wit: Beginning at Fulton Ferry, on the East river, and running westerly through Fulton street to West street, and southerly through West street to Liberty street Ferry, on the North river, and running thence northerly through West street to Dey street, and easterly through Dey street and John street to South street, and northerly through South street to Fulton Ferry, and also to construct such switches, sidings, turn-outs and turn-tables, and suitable stands at such points as may be necessary for the convenient working of such road, owned by the said The Brooklyn and Jersey City Ferry Railroad Company.

Resolved, That the consent of the Common Council is given and granted to said The Brooklyn and Jersey City Ferry Railroad Company for the construction, maintenance and use of the proposed railroad as aforesaid upon the streets, avenues and route hereinbefore mentioned, expressly upon the following conditions and not otherwise:

First—That said railroad shall be constructed according to the most approved plan for the construction of city railroads and with the most approved pattern of steel rails, which shall be laid in such manner as to interfere as little as possible with the use of the surface of the street by trucks, carriages, and other ordinary vehicles and said connections, switches, sidings, turn-outs, turn-tables, and suitable stands which shall be necessary for the convenient working of such roads shall likewise be

constructed after the most improved plan and shall be equal, in all respects, to the best of their kind now in use on any such railroad in the City of New York.

Second—The said railroad shall be operated by horse power only, provided, however, that said Company may make use of any motive power suitable for the purposes of street surface railroads, other than locomotive steam power, which may hereafter be consented to by the local authorities and by a majority of the property-owners obtained in accordance with the provisions of chapter 252 of the Laws of 1884.

Third—The said Company shall comply with all reasonable ordinances and regulations which the local authorities having control of the streets, avenues, roads or highways in the City of New York shall make as to rate of speed, mode of use of tracks, and removal of ice and snow from said railroad as the interests and convenience of the public may require. And this consent is likewise given upon the express condition that said Company shall not charge any passenger more than five cents for one continuous ride from any point on its road, or any road, line, or branch operated by it or under its control, or operated or controlled by its lessee, to any other point thereon, or on any connecting branch thereof, within the limits of the City of New York, the intention being that but one fare of five cents shall be charged for the transportation of a single passenger over the whole or any portion of the railroad route of said Company when the railroad of said Company, for the construction of which permission is hereby granted, shall be made. And this consent is likewise given upon the express condition that said The Brooklyn and Jersey City Ferry Railroad Company shall also whenever and as required, and under the supervision of the proper local authorities, have and keep in permanent repair the portion of every street, avenue or highway upon which its tracks shall be constructed pursuant to this consent between its tracks the rails of its tracks, and a space two feet in width outside of and adjoining the outside rail of its track or tracks so to be constructed, so long as it shall continue to use such tracks constructed under the provisions of this resolution and consent.

Fourth—Said The Brooklyn and Jersey City Ferry Railroad Company shall, for and during the first five years after the commencement of the operation of said railroad to be constructed pursuant to this consent and permission, annually, on the first day of November in each year, pay into the treasury of the City of New York, to the credit of the Sinking Fund thereof, three per cent. of its gross receipts for and during the year ending the next preceding thirtieth day of September, and also after the expiration of said five years make a like annual payment of five per cent. of its gross receipts into the treasury of said city, to the credit of the Sinking Fund thereof, instead of three per cent.; provided, however, that said The Brooklyn and Jersey City Ferry Railroad Company, or its lessee, shall pay such percentages as aforesaid only upon such portion of its gross receipts as shall bear the same proportion to the whole value thereof as the length of such construction and branch shall bear to the entire length of its tracks, as provided by section 8 of chapter 252 of the Laws of 1884. And it shall be the duty of the President and Treasurer of said The Brooklyn and Jersey City Ferry Railroad Company, on or before the first day of November, in each year, to make a verified report to the Comptroller of the City of New York of the gross amount of its receipts for the year ending the next preceding thirtieth day of September, and the books of said company shall be open to inspection and examination by said Comptroller or his duly appointed agent for the purpose of ascertaining the correctness of said report as to said gross receipts.

Fifth—And this consent of the Common Council is likewise given upon the express condition that all the provisions of chapter 252 of the Laws of 1884, pertaining to the construction of which the permission of the Common Council is hereby given, shall be in all things complied with by said The Brooklyn and Jersey City Ferry Railroad Company.

M. F. McLOUGHLIN, } Committee
CHARLES DEMPSEY, } on
C. B. WAITE, } Railroads.
WILLIAM H. MILLER, }

Alderman Grant moved that the report of the Committee be laid over.
The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion.
Which was decided in the negative, on a division called by Alderman Grant, as follows:
Affirmative—Aldermen Finck, Grant, and O'Connor—3.
Negative—Aldermen Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Fullgraff, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McLoughlin, O'Neil, Pearson, Sayles, Sheils, Waite, and Wendel—14.
Alderman O'Connor moved to amend by providing that an amount of \$25,000 be paid as license annually.

Alderman Grant, as an amendment to the amendment, moved that the franchise be sold at public auction to the highest bidder.
Which was accepted by Alderman O'Connor.
The President then put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion.
Which was decided in the negative.
The President then put the question whether the Board would agree to accept the report and adopt the resolution submitted by the Committee.
Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division called by Alderman Grant, as follows:
Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McLoughlin, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, Waite, and Wendel—18.
Negative—Aldermen Grant and O'Connor—2.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS RESUMED.

By Alderman Miller—
Resolved, That William A. Klugler be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds, in place of Frances T. Sheridan, who has failed to qualify.
The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.
Which was decided in the affirmative, as follows:
Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Jaehne, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McLoughlin, McQuade, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, Waite, and Wendel—22.

By Alderman McQuade—
Resolved, That John Eichler be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, whose term of office expires December 9, 1884.
The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.
Which was decided in the affirmative, as follows:
Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Jaehne, Kenney, McCabe, McLoughlin, McQuade, O'Connor, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, and Waite—20.

By Alderman Waite—
The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, in Common Council convened, do ordain as follows:
No person within the City of New York shall, from any window or open space situated in any story of a house above the street floor, which window or open space is visible from the street, or from the sidewalk on the opposite side of the street, exhibit to the public upon said street, or upon the opposite sidewalk, any pantomime performance of puppet or other figures, ballet or other dancing, comedy, farce, show with moving figures, play, or any other entertainment of the stage or dramatic performance, or of that nature, under penalty of \$10 for each such offense.
The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said ordinance.
Which was decided in the affirmative.

By the same—
Resolved, That permission granted to Ottmann, Keppler & Schwarzmunn to extend vaults in front of Nos. 541 to 547 Pearl street be and hereby is repealed and rescinded.
The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.
Which was decided in the affirmative.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS AND CORPORATION OFFICERS.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the County Clerk:

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE, }
NEW YORK, December 1, 1884. }

To Hon. WM. P. KIRK, President of the Board of Aldermen:

SIR—Herewith please find list of names of Commissioners of Deeds, whose terms of office expire during the month of December, 1884.

Very respectfully yours, etc.,

PATRICK KEENAN, Clerk.

	Term Expires.
William H. H. Abell.....	December 7, 1884.
R. P. H. Abell.....	" 7, "
Julius Adenau.....	" 14, "
Joseph F. Arnold.....	" 20, "
James Brice.....	" 7, "
Henry W. Blumer.....	" 14, "
R. W. Blackwell.....	" 14, "
Birdsall Bouck.....	" 30, "
Nicholas C. Conlon.....	" 7, "
Henry G. Cassidy.....	" 14, "

	December 14, 1884.
Morris Coster.....	" 14, "
John Callahan.....	" 14, "
William Colligan.....	" 20, "
Charles E. Depperman.....	" 14, "
John Eichler.....	" 7, "
William C. Emmitt.....	" 14, "
Frederick H. Ernst.....	" 14, "
Emanuel M. Goodhart.....	" 7, "
Charles L. Gott.....	" 14, "
John J. Herbert.....	" 7, "
Charles F. Hubbard.....	" 14, "
Samuel Harris.....	" 14, "
Bernard Hartman.....	" 30, "
Allan A. Irvine.....	" 30, "
Richard Keef.....	" 7, "
Solomon Kohn.....	" 14, "
Henry Kropf.....	" 14, "
Edward J. Knight.....	" 30, "
Leonard J. Langbein.....	" 14, "
John Leonard.....	" 14, "
Martin M. Lewis.....	" 14, "
Alfred Lazarus.....	" 20, "
Charles S. Livingston.....	" 21, "
William D. Leonard.....	" 21, "
Henry P. McGown.....	" 7, "
Thomas J. McEvily.....	" 14, "
James M. More.....	" 7, "
Edward J. Murray.....	" 14, "
Charles Mayer.....	" 14, "
William T. Matthies.....	" 14, "
Gustav Newman.....	" 7, "
William T. Nash.....	" 20, "
James O'Farrell.....	" 7, "
Hugh O'Neill.....	" 14, "
Charles H. Pentz.....	" 21, "
Thomas Pearson.....	" 30, "
Simon Rosenthal.....	" 14, "
Robert M. Sterritt.....	" 7, "
Joseph Stein.....	" 14, "
Adam E. Schatz.....	" 14, "
Newton Squire.....	" 30, "
Rudolph L. Scharf.....	" 21, "
Ezra A. Tuttle.....	" 14, "
Franz Unger.....	" 7, "
Cornelius W. Van Voorhis.....	" 7, "
Andrew Van Voorhis.....	" 14, "
Hewlett Van Wyck.....	" 14, "
Herman Von Stein.....	" 14, "
William L. Van Derzee.....	" 20, "
Samuel W. Valentine.....	" 30, "
Jacob A. Weil.....	" 7, "
Edward F. Williams.....	" 7, "

Which was referred to Committee on Salaries and Offices.

MESSAGES FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, December 1, 1884.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted November 24, 1884, that a lamp-post be erected and a street-lamp placed thereon and lighted in front of the Volunteer Firemen's Association's premises, No. 143 East Eighth street.

Inasmuch as I approved a resolution on the 4th of September, 1884, giving permission to erect and light a lamp in front of the above-named premises, this resolution is unnecessary unless it is intended that the city shall bear the expense connected therewith. The lighting of public lamps in front of private premises is prohibited by a resolution of your Honorable Body, passed January 2, 1874, and as there are at present no such lamps in this city lighted at public expense, I am unwilling in this instance to approve what I think would be an extremely bad precedent.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Resolved, That a lamp-post be erected and street-lamp placed thereon and lighted in front of the Volunteer Firemen's Association's premises, No. 143 East Eighth street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, December 4, 1884.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolutions of the Board of Aldermen, adopted November 24, 1884, granting the consent of the Common Council to The Bleeker Street and Fulton Ferry Railroad Company, to construct, maintain and operate an extension of said company's railroad from its tracks in Park Row, running westerly across Park Row and through and along Mail street to the middle of Broadway, there to connect with any railroad which may hereafter be built in Broadway. The consent is granted on the conditions that the proposed extension shall be built according to the most approved plan of building street railroads; that it shall be operated by horse power, or any other power than locomotive steam power; that the company shall comply with all reasonable ordinances which the Common Council may hereafter enact relative to the operation of said proposed road, and that the maximum fare to be charged for each passenger shall be five cents. It is also stipulated that the provisions of chapter 252 of the Laws of 1884 relative to percentages shall be complied with, either by The Bleeker Street and Fulton Ferry Railroad Company or its lessee.

In my judgment, the chief objection to the extension of the tracks of The Bleeker Street and Fulton Ferry Railroad Company through Mail street, as proposed in these resolutions, lies in the fact that no compensation is required to be paid to the city for the privilege.

Mail street is an important thoroughfare, and in its present condition affords necessary relief to Broadway at a point where Broadway is greatly crowded; and the introduction here of comparatively rigid obstructions, such as street cars, will greatly impair its usefulness as a thoroughfare for other vehicles, and as a relief to our most crowded highway. If the consent of the local authorities is to be granted to the construction of a surface railroad through Mail street and the roadway thereof, thus to a great extent to be surrendered to a private corporation, the city should receive compensation commensurate with the value of this street for such purposes, in addition to the percentages of gross receipts required by law to be paid to the city. This in my judgment should be insisted upon by the local authorities in any and all cases where consent may be asked to construct railroads in streets in which the benefits to the private corporations seeking the privileges are far greater than the public benefits to be derived from the operation of the railroads, as is clearly the case in this instance.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Resolved, That the consent of this Board be and the same is hereby granted and permission of the Common Council is hereby given to The Bleeker Street and Fulton Ferry Railroad Company to construct, maintain, operate and use an extension or branch of the railroad of said company for public use in the conveyance of persons and property in cars upon and along the surface of the following streets, avenues and highways in the City of New York, to wit: Commencing at the tracks of said The Bleeker Street and Fulton Ferry Railroad Company in Park Row opposite the street or highway bounding the southerly side of City Hall Park, and which said street is known as Mail street, and running thence westerly across Park Row and through and along the said street, bounding the southerly side of City Hall Park and known as Mail street, to the middle of Broadway, the said extension or branch to be constructed in such manner as that there will be a single or double track in said street bounding the southerly side of City Hall Park and known as Mail street, from the tracks of said The Bleeker Street and Fulton Ferry Railroad Company in Park Row to any tracks that may be constructed in Broadway, together with such switches, curves, sidings, turn-outs, turn-tables and suitable stands as may be necessary for the convenient working of such road and such extension or branch in connection with the aforesaid road owned by said The Bleeker Street and Fulton Ferry Railroad Company, and which is now used and operated by its lessee; and it is further

Resolved, That the consent of the Common Council is given and granted to said The Bleeker Street and Fulton Ferry Railroad Company for the construction, maintenance and use of the proposed extension of its railroad as aforesaid upon the streets, avenues and route hereinbefore mentioned, expressly upon the following conditions and not otherwise:

First—The said extension shall be constructed according to the most approved plan for the construction of city railroads and with the most approved pattern of steel rails, which shall be laid in

such manner as to interfere as little as possible with the use of the surface of the street by trucks, carriages and other ordinary vehicles; and said connections, switches, sidings, turn-outs, turn-tables and suitable stands which shall be necessary for the convenient working of such road and extension shall likewise be constructed after the most approved plan and shall be equal in all respects to the best of their kind now in use on any such railroad in the City of New York.

Second—The said railroad extension shall be operated by horse power only, provided, however, that said company may make use of any motive power suitable for the purposes of street surface railroads, other than locomotive steam power, which may hereafter be consented to by the local authorities and by a majority of the property-owners obtained in accordance with the provisions of chapter 252 of the Laws of 1884.

Third—The said company shall comply with all reasonable ordinances and regulations which the local authorities having control of the streets, avenues, roads or highways in the City of New York shall make as to rate of speed, mode of use of tracks and removal of ice and snow from said extension as the interests and convenience of the public may require. And this consent is likewise given upon the express condition that said company shall not charge any passenger more than five cents for one continuous ride from any point on its road, or any road, line or branch operated by it, or under its control, or operated or controlled by its lessee to any other point thereon, or on any connecting branch thereof within the limits of the City of New York, the intention being that but one fare of five cents shall be charged for the transportation of a single passenger over the whole or any portion of the railroad route of said company when the extension, for the construction which permission is hereby granted, shall be made. And this consent is likewise given upon the express condition that said The Bleeker Street and Fulton Ferry Railroad Company shall also, whenever and as required, and under the supervision of the proper local authorities, have and keep in permanent repair the portion of every street, avenue or highway upon which its tracks shall be extended and constructed pursuant to this consent, between its tracks, the rails of its tracks, and a space two feet in width outside of and adjoining the outside rail of its track or tracks so to be extended and constructed so long as it shall continue to use such extended tracks constructed under the provisions of this resolution and consent.

Fourth—Said The Bleeker Street and Fulton Ferry Railroad Company shall for and during the first five years after the commencement of the operation of said extension of its railroad to be constructed pursuant to this consent and permission, annually, on the first day of November in each year, pay into the treasury of the City of New York, to the credit of the Sinking Fund thereof, three per cent. of its gross receipts for and during the year ending the next preceding thirtieth day of September, and also, after the expiration of said five years, make a like annual payment of five per cent. of its gross receipts into the treasury of said city, to the credit of the Sinking Fund thereof, instead of three per cent.; provided, however, that said The Bleeker Street and Fulton Ferry Railroad Company, or its lessee shall pay such percentage, as aforesaid only upon such portion of its gross receipts as shall bear the same proportion to the whole value thereof as the length of such construction and branch shall bear to the entire length of its tracks, as provided by section 8 of chapter 252 of the Laws of 1884. And it shall be the duty of the President and Treasurer of said The Bleeker Street and Fulton Ferry Railroad Company, on or before the first day of November, in each year, to make a verified report to the Comptroller of the City of New York of the gross amount of its receipts for the year ending the next preceding thirtieth day of September, and the books of said company shall be open to inspection and examination by said Comptroller or his duly appointed agent, for the purpose of ascertaining the correctness of said report as to the said gross receipts.

Fifth—And this consent of the Common Council is likewise given upon the express condition that all the provisions of chapter 252 of the Laws of 1884, pertaining to the extension for the construction of which the permission of the Common Council is hereby given, shall be in all things complied with by said The Bleeker Street and Fulton Ferry Railroad Company or its lessee.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, December 1, 1884.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted November 24, 1884, permitting "the proprietors of the Bijou Theatre to erect a net banner in Broadway, between Thirtieth and Thirty-first streets."

This resolution does not state the dimensions of the proposed banner nor specify the points between which it is to be suspended. If it is intended to suspend it across the street, as in the case of temporary political banners, I should deem it an unjustifiable, unnecessary and dangerous method of advertising—objectionable because such permission cannot be granted to all who desire it and should therefore be granted to none.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission is hereby given to the proprietors of the Bijou Theatre to erect a net banner in Broadway, between Thirtieth and Thirty-first streets; said permission to be granted during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, December 4, 1884.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted November 26, 1884, that an improved iron fountain (for man and beast) be placed on the southwest corner of Third avenue and Eighty-ninth street.

The inadequate water supply is a sufficient objection to the erection at present of any more drinking-fountains or watering-troughs except in cases of far greater necessity than exists in this instance.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Resolved, That an improved iron fountain (for man and beast) be placed on the southwest corner of Third avenue and Eighty-ninth street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, December 4, 1884.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted November 26, 1884, permitting Michael Evers to erect two gas lamps in front of his premises, No. 1414 Third avenue.

There would be no objection to this resolution, so far as I am now aware, if the provision were inserted that gas should be supplied at the expense of the applicant. In its present form, I am unwilling to approve the resolution.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Michael Evers to erect two gas-lamps in front of his premises, No. 1414 Third avenue, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, December 4, 1884.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted November 26, 1884, that the roadway of Ninth avenue, from Seventy-seventh street to One Hundredth street, be paved with granite-block pavement, with a foundation of broken stone thoroughly rolled.

This resolution is unnecessary inasmuch as the work contemplated is covered by a resolution to pave this avenue, from Seventy-seventh street to One Hundred and Tenth street, the contract for which was advertised to be let December 5, 1884.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Resolved, That the roadway of Ninth avenue, from Seventy-seventh to One Hundredth street, be paved with granite-block pavement, with a foundation of broken stone thoroughly rolled, and that crosswalks be laid at the intersecting and terminating streets, where required, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, December 3, 1884.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted November 26, 1884, permitting J. Christian G. Hupfel to lay a six-inch iron pipe in East Thirty-eighth street,

for the purpose of conveying salt water from the East river to his premises, No. 277 East Thirty-eighth street.

Nothing accompanies this resolution to show that Mr. Hupfel has obtained the consent of the property-owners, as required by the provisions of chapter 276 of the Laws of 1883, and until that is done the desired permission cannot lawfully be granted.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to J. Christian G. Hupfel to lay a six-inch iron pipe in East Thirty-eighth street, for the purpose of conveying salt water only, from the East river to his premises, No. 277 East Thirty-eighth 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.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, December 4, 1884.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted November 26, 1884, that the roadway of Forty-first street, from First avenue to the East river, be regulated, graded, curbed and flagged a space four feet wide through the centre of the sidewalks.

The estate of G. Cutting owns all the property on the north side of Forty-first street, between First avenue and the East river, and the Equitable Gas-light Company owns all the property on the south side. These owners have represented to me that the regulating and grading of this street at the present time would be injurious to their interests, and of no particular benefit to the interests of any other parties. As there are no piers at the foot of East Forty-first street, and as the grading of the street would, as I am informed, raise the level of the street surface so far above high-water mark that the street could not be used for business purposes, I think the work contemplated should for the present be deferred.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Resolved, That the roadway of Forty-first street, from First avenue to the East river, be regulated, graded, curbed, and flagged a space four feet wide through the centre thereof, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, December 4, 1884.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted December 1, 1884, that gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps lighted in Arthur avenue, from Tremont avenue to Kingsbridge road.

The Commissioner of Public Works furnishes the following information relative to this street: "This comprises a distance of 2,300 feet and is an ordinary country road, title to which has not yet been acquired by the city. It has not been regulated or graded, nor have sidewalks been laid. The maps of the Department of Public Parks show that the roadway is to be widened on the westerly side." The resolution is therefore premature.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps lighted in Arthur avenue, from Tremont avenue to Kingsbridge road, Twenty-fourth Ward.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, December 4, 1884.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen adopted December 1, 1884, permitting William Maginn to place and keep a watering-trough, in front of his premises, No. 609 Hudson street.

On the 3d of September, 1884, I disapproved of a resolution to erect a watering-trough in front of this number, and as the conditions are precisely the same now as they were then, I respectfully refer your Honorable Body to my communication of the above-named date, wherein my objections are set forth.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to William Maginn to place and keep a watering-trough in front of his premises, No. 609 Hudson street, the work to be done and water supplied at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, December 4, 1884.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted December 1, 1884, that the resolution authorizing the placing of a watering-trough at No. 248 Henry street, be amended by changing No. 248 to No. 246.

I can find no record of the passage of such a resolution; a drinking-hydrant has just been erected in front of No. 248 Henry street under a resolution adopted July 24, 1884. I am convinced that there can be no good reason for the removal of this hydrant from No. 248 to No. 246, and I am therefore constrained to withhold my approval of this resolution.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Resolved, That the resolution heretofore passed placing a watering-trough at No. 248 Henry street be amended by striking out the No. 248 and inserting in lieu thereof No. 246.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, December 4, 1884.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted December 1, 1884, that gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps lighted in Van Courtland avenue, from Central avenue to Van Courtland Depot.

I am informed by the Commissioner of Public Works that the following are the facts relative to this resolution: "This comprises a distance of 5,000 feet, and is an ordinary country road, title to which has not yet been legally acquired by the city. It has not been regulated or graded, except that the surface between Central avenue and the Croton Aqueduct is now being raised from five to ten feet. There are no sidewalks or footpaths, and no place for lamp-posts. There are only three houses on the line. The nearest gas-main of Central or Jerome avenue is distant 5,000 feet from Van Courtland avenue, and at the north end 2,700 feet." The resolution is therefore premature.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps lighted in Van Courtland avenue, from Central avenue to Van Courtland Depot, the work to be done under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS AGAIN RESUMED.

The President called up G. O. 498, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Health Department be and are hereby authorized to procure, in open market or make contract without public letting, as they may deem best for the public interest, two steam engines for the Hospital Building at North Brother Island, the kind required not being of a pattern subject to public competition, the cost not to exceed two thousand dollars for each engine, as prescribed in section 64 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882.

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

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

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, Dempsey, Duffy, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McLoughlin, McQuade, O'Connor, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, and Wendel—18.

Alderman Fullgraff called up G. O. 518, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That Trinity avenue (Delmonico place), from Clifton or One Hundred and Sixty-first street to One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, be regulated and graded upon the established lines and grades, and that curb-stones be set, and a space four feet wide through the centre of the sidewalks

be flagged, under the direction of the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, three fourths of all the members not voting in favor thereof.

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, Dempsey, Duffy, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McLoughlin, McQuade, O'Connor Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, and Wendel—17.

On motion of Alderman Fullgraff, the above vote was reconsidered and the paper again laid over.

MOTIONS RESUMED.

Alderman Miller moved that the Board do now adjourn.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the President announced that the Board stood adjourned until Monday, the 8th day of December, 1884, at 1 o'clock P. M.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, held at their office, No. 78 Tribune Building, Wednesday, November 26, 1884, at 3 o'clock P. M.

Commissioners present—The Mayor, the Comptroller, Commissioner of Public Works, Commissioners James C. Spencer and William Dowd; also, Chief Engineer Church, Consulting Engineer Davis, and Executive Engineer Fteley; also, Chief Engineer Birdsall and Consulting Engineer Adams of the Department of Public Works.

The minutes of the stated meeting of November 19th were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills included in Vouchers Nos. 416-423, and, on motion of the Comptroller, said vouchers were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment.

The Committee also reported a recommendation that the Secretary be authorized to supply to contractors copies of the lithograph maps and plans of sections 2-9 of the New Aqueduct, in Westchester County, at a charge of \$15 per set; which recommendation was approved, and the Secretary directed to pay over to the Comptroller the moneys received for said plans.

The Secretary presented a communication from the Comptroller, dated November 22, 1884, giving notice of warrants issued by him on vouchers appertaining to the appointment of Commissioners of Appraisal, not certified by this Commission, and amounting to \$19,037.80. The communication was ordered placed on file, and proper entry thereof to be made in the books of this Commission.

The Secretary also presented an application from Mr. S. A. Lathrop for the position of Auditor of this Commission, which was ordered placed on file.

The Chief Engineer presented a communication, dated November 25, 1884, suggesting an assignment to duty of the present Engineer Corps pending the determination of the question of Civil Service examinations. The communication was read, and the following resolution was then offered by Commissioner Spencer and seconded by the Comptroller:

Resolved, That the above-named communication from the Chief Engineer be placed upon file, and that in order to prepare for the commencement of work upon the New Aqueduct as speedily as possible after the letting of the contracts, the following temporary assignment be made from the present Engineer Corps, viz.:

To each Engineering Division of the New Aqueduct between the Croton Dam and the Harlem river—
One Division Engineer,
Two Instrument Men, and
One Rodman

—and that the Chief Engineer make such assignment, and report to this Board, for its approval, the names and respective positions of the persons so assigned.

The resolution was adopted unanimously.

The Chief Engineer then called attention to the necessity of providing instruments, and other outfit and equipment, for the several Division Corps of Engineers; and also proper headquarters for them upon the line of their work.

On motion of Commissioner Spencer, the matter of supplying the instruments and other outfit was referred to the Committee of Finance and Audit, with power; and the Chief Engineer was directed to ascertain, and report to the Board, where and upon what terms the required quarters for the Engineers could be obtained.

The Secretary, under his instructions of October 22d, ultimo, reported (verbally) the result of a conference with Mr. Jay Gould, in relation to his lands near Glenville, through which the New Aqueduct will pass, and asked further time for the examination of the ground in company with the agent of Mr. Gould, and for report thereon; which request was granted.

The stated meeting was then adjourned.

JAS. W. McCULLOH, Secretary.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK,
MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,
WEDNESDAY, December 3, 1884—11 o'clock A. M.

The Board met in pursuance of the following call:

OFFICE OF THE MAYORALTY,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT—CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, December 2, 1884.

In pursuance of the authority contained in the 112th section of chapter 335, being an act entitled "An act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed April 30, 1873; and section 1 of chapter 779, being an act entitled "An act in relation to raising money by taxation in the County of New York, for county purposes," passed June 14, 1873; and chapter 304, being an act entitled "An act to consolidate the government of the City and County of New York, and further to regulate the same," passed April 30, 1874; and chapter 303, being an act entitled "An act in relation to the estimates and apportionment for the support of the government of the County of New York," passed April 30, 1874; and chapter 308, being an act entitled "An act in relation to the estimates and apportionment for the support of the government of the City of New York," passed May 1, 1874; a meeting is hereby called of the Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, constituting a Board of Estimate and Apportionment, to be held at the office of the Mayor, on Wednesday, December 3, 1884, at 11 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of transacting such business as may be brought before the Board.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

INDORSED:

We hereby consent that the rule adopted January 4, 1884, relating to calls of meetings, be suspended for this meeting.

Admission of a copy of the within, as served upon us this 2d day of December, 1884.

FRANKLIN EDSON,

Mayor.

S. HASTINGS GRANT,

Comptroller;

W. P. KIRK,

President of the Board of Aldermen;

THOS. B. ASTEN,

President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments.

Present—All the members, viz.:

Franklin Edson, the Mayor; S. Hastings Grant, the Comptroller; Wm. P. Kirk, the President of the Board of Aldermen; Thos. B. Asten, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments.

The minutes of the meeting held November 26, 1884, were read and approved.

The Comptroller presented the following report:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
December 2, 1884.

To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

The Comptroller, to whom was referred a resolution of the Advisory Board of Municipal Civil Service of the City of New York, request a transfer of the sum of \$1,000 from the appropriation for the pay of Examiners, to the appropriation for "Contingencies," respectfully

REPORTS:

That the sum of \$5,000 was appropriated in the Final Estimate for 1884, for the services of Examiners of the Municipal Service Examining Board, and on April 7, 1884, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment fixed the rates of compensation of Examiners during the present year in such

manner, that, as explained by the Advisory Board, there will be an excess in the appropriation for their compensation in 1884 of \$1,000, while to meet the contingent expenses of the office of the Municipal Service Examining Board that sum is necessary.

A resolution is submitted to authorize the transfer as requested.

Respectfully,

S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller.

And offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) be and is hereby transferred from the appropriation to the "Civil Service of the City of New York, Expenses of," for the year 1884, "For Services of Examiners," which is in excess of the amount required for that purpose, to the appropriation for "Services of Secretary, Assistance Employed and Expenses," for which purposes the appropriation is insufficient and the amount is necessary to meet the expenses of the office of the Examining Board.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

The Comptroller presented the following report:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
December 2, 1884.

To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—The Comptroller, to whom was referred at a meeting held October 30 last, certain bills against the city presented by Messrs. John E. Parsons, Theron G. Strong and Henry R. Beekman, for counsel fees, respectfully submits the following

REPORT:

The bills referred to me are for professional services rendered to the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks on their retainers in proceedings for an examination into their official conduct, brought upon the application to the Supreme Court by John Noble Stearns, Joshua C. Sanders, Horace Winans, Edward A. Morrison and Geo. H. Beyer, as taxpayers, under the authority of section 60 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882. The amount of the bills is \$10,000, as follows:

To John E. Parsons.....	\$4,000 00
To Theron G. Strong.....	3,000 00
To Henry R. Beekman.....	3,000 00

Total..... \$10,000 00

At the last session of the Legislature an act was passed (chapter 450) amending section 196 of the Consolidation Act and authorizing the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to audit and allow as charges against the city the reasonable costs, counsel fees and expenses paid or incurred by any Commissioner for the proper presentation and jurisdiction of his official conduct before any tribunal or body lawfully investigating the same and not officially recommending his removal from office.

In order to enable the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to audit and allow the bills in question properly, I requested the Counsel to the Corporation to examine into the facts regarding the proceedings against the Commissioners of Public Parks and advise me if the charges made for counsel fees were proper and reasonable for the services performed, and inform me of the evidence thereof required.

I submit the reply of the Corporation Counsel explaining the nature of the proceedings and the legal authority for employing counsel by the Park Commissioners and for paying for professional services in their defense, the charges being, as he thinks, under the peculiar circumstances, not unreasonable.

The amount of the bills was included in the appropriations of the Provisional Estimate for 1885, subject to such modification and reduction as the Board of Estimate and Apportionment might deem just and proper in auditing the bills. Accepting the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation, that the charges for counsel fees in this case are not unreasonable, I submit a resolution to audit and allow them in full.

Respectfully,

S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller.

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, November 29, 1884.

Hon. S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller:

SIR—I am in receipt of your communication under date of November 25, 1884, enclosing bills of Messrs. Parsons, Strong & Beekman for counsel fees in the matter of John Noble Stearns and others against the Commissioners of Public Parks, accompanied by a letter of approval from them, and also a certificate of Mr. Justice Barrett.

You ask me to advise you whether the bills are proper charges against the city, and if so what evidence should be furnished upon which the Board of Estimate and Apportionment can audit and allow them.

This proceeding was brought under section 60 of the Consolidation Act, which provides that heads of departments and other officers of the corporation may, on the application of any five citizens who are taxpayers, be summarily examined by a Judge of the Supreme Court touching any alleged violation of the provisions of law, or delinquency in the discharge of his duty. Upon the conclusion of the examination, which contemplates the examination and cross-examination of witnesses as well as of the parties making the application and of the particular officers complained of, the examination reduced to writing is to be filed in the office of the County Clerk.

It is further provided in section 211 that, in case the officer or head of department is ordered to be thus examined, the Corporation Counsel shall assign some one from his department as counsel to the officer or clerk applying therefor; but should such officer or clerk see fit to employ other counsel than that assigned by the Law Department, then, in that event, no appropriation or payment shall be made for his or their payment, except upon a certificate of the justice or justices before whom the particular proceedings have been had, that there was probable cause for taking such proceedings.

Chapter 450 of the Laws of 1884 amended section 196 of the Consolidation Act so as to authorize the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to audit and allow as charges against the city the reasonable costs, counsel fees and expenses paid or incurred by any Commissioner for the proper presentation and justification of his official conduct before any tribunal or body lawfully investigating the same and not officially recommending his removal from office.

The certificate of Judge Barrett, which is enclosed in your communication, states that upon the affidavits upon which the original order was made, there was probable cause for taking such proceeding and that it was proper for their defense that the Commissioners should be represented by such counsel.

Under the provisions of the sections above cited, the certificate, in my opinion, is sufficient evidence to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment that the counsel fees in question are proper charges against the city.

I am not myself, of course, sufficiently advised as to all the details of the service rendered to certify to the accuracy of the amounts, but such conception of the nature, character and extent of the services rendered as I formed at the time from reading the daily papers, coupled with the fact that the proceeding was a unique one and was conducted from day to day in preference to other outstanding engagements of counsel, would lead me to suppose that the charges are not unreasonable.

You further ask whether these charges might not be properly sued for and recovered from those who instituted these proceedings.

I know of no provision of law which would warrant any such action; on the contrary, it is expressly provided in section 60 of the Consolidation Act that costs may be imposed upon those prompting such examination, not exceeding \$250, "if the Judge states there was no probable cause for making the application." Said costs, however, are, in that event, to be paid to the person or officer examined.

I am, sir, yours respectfully,

E. HENRY LACOMBE, Counsel to the Corporation.

And offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 450 of the Laws of 1884, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment does hereby audit and allow the charges for counsel fees, "In the matter of the application of John Noble Stearns, Joshua C. Sanders, Horace Winans, Edward A. Morrison, and George H. Beyer for the examination of Salem H. Wales, William M. Olliffe, John D. Crimmins and Egbert L. Viele, Commissioners of Parks of the City of New York," at the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), to be paid to Messrs. John E. Parsons, Theron G. Strong and Henry R. Beekman, in the amounts of their bills, respectively, from an appropriation therefor to be included in the Final Estimate for the year 1885.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

The Comptroller called up and offered the following resolution, laid over at meeting held November 26, 1884, viz.:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 255 of the Laws of 1884, the costs, counsel fees and expenses paid or incurred by reason of the legal proceedings heretofore had in the courts of this State in the year 1882, under the authority and direction of the Attorney General, in

the matter of the Hon. Richard O'Gorman, relator, and Hon. William H. Arnoux, defendant, for the judicial determination of the term of and title to the office of Judge of the Superior Court of this city, are hereby approved, audited and allowed, at the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) which amount is hereby appropriated to pay said costs, counsel fees and expenses paid or incurred in the conduct of the said litigation, apportioned as follows, to wit:

To Hon. Richard O'Gorman.....	\$7,900 00
To Hon. William H. Arnoux.....	7,100 00
Total.....	\$15,000 00

Which sum so appropriated for such purpose shall be included in the Final Estimate for the year 1885.

Which was adopted by the following vote:
Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—4.

The Comptroller presented the following:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
December 3, 1884.

Hon. FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor of the City of New York:

SIR—I have the honor to transmit herewith statements received from the Department of Public Works, the Department of Public Parks, the Board of Education and the Clerk of Street Openings, of the amounts which will be required from the proceeds of bonds for the completion of existing contracts and estimates of the amounts which will be required during the year 1885, for all objects and purposes in their charge, respectively, in reply to communications from this Department to the heads of departments, in accordance with the suggestions of your letter on the 12th of last month to the Counsel to the Corporation, requesting them to furnish such information, to enable the proper city authorities to provide means for avoiding embarrassment in the administration of the city's affairs, consequent upon the operation of the new Constitutional Amendment, which restricts the issue of bonds after the first day of January, 1885, in excess of indebtedness for more than ten per cent. of the assessed valuation of the real estate of the city subject to taxation.

The authority of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment is required for the issue of bonds to provide for the objects and purposes in charge of the above mentioned Departments, and of the Board of Education and the Clerk of Street Openings.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully,
S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
36 UNION SQUARE, November 29, 1884.

Hon. S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller:

SIR—In compliance with the request contained in yours of 14th inst., desiring to be furnished with a statement in detail of the amounts which will be required to be provided from the proceeds of bonds for the completion of existing contracts entered into by this Department, "and the estimate of the amount which will be required during the year 1885 for all objects and purposes."

With this I beg to submit the detailed statement as asked for.
In connection with this information furnished, I beg to say that, we are unable to estimate the amount that will be required to pay for the land to be acquired for the opening of over twenty-two miles of streets and avenues, and over one hundred and seventy-four acres of parks mentioned in the statement herewith submitted.

The work of constructing Riverside avenue has been completed, with the exception of the space between Eighty-fifth and Eighty-eighth streets.

The work on this improvement has already been paid for by the city to the extent of \$606,983.75. A sewer has been constructed in Brook avenue, between tide-water and One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, in the Twenty-third Ward, at an expense of \$305,230.93, and the assessment list prepared and sent to the Board of Assessors, and returned by them with a communication stating that it would be unwise to levy the assessment until the whole improvement is complete.

The second section of this sewer, between One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street and One Hundred and Eighty-fourth street, has just been commenced and will require, in all probability, quite two years to complete, while the title to the land for the third section of this sewer has not yet been acquired.

If these two assessments can now be collected it will reduce the debt for—	
Riverside avenue.....	\$606,983 75
Brook avenue sewer.....	305,230 93
	\$912,214 68

This is a subject worthy of consideration, and this Department has already asked for the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation in reference to it.

The bridge to be constructed over the Harlem river, at not more than half a mile above the High Bridge (vide chapter 534, Laws of 1871, and chapter 329, Laws of 1874), should be taken into consideration.

The subject has received the careful attention of the Department, and plans have been received from accomplished bridge engineers.

The Department is now awaiting the opinions of Generals Newton and McClellan and Mr. McAlpine before deciding upon the plan.

The estimates for a bridge at this point range from \$1,062,954 to \$3,064,624.
The construction of this bridge is a necessity, and the sum required for the purpose should be provided for.

Very respectfully,
EGBERT L. VIELE, President D. P. P.

Statement of the Amounts Required under Existing Contracts, to be Paid from the Proceeds of Bonds, Replying to Comptroller's Letter, November 14, 1884.

"A." Enlargement Metropolitan Museum of Art (Chap. 447, Laws 1884)—	
Existing contract.....	\$20,150 00
Architect's commissions, say 5 per cent.	1,007 50
	\$21,157 50
"B." Assessment Bonds—	
Amounts retained as security for repairs.....	\$7,230 54
Amounts required for works under contract now in progress..	522,033 88
Amounts required for Engineers in charge of the work.....	13,500 00
	542,764 42
"C." Contracts awarded November 26, 1884.....	63,033 91
"D." Improvement Morningside Park (Chap. 565, Laws 1880)—	
Amount retained on existing contract.....	1,337 50
Construction Bridges over Harlem river—	
Amount of Bonds (Resolution of the Board, September 7, 1884)...	\$100,000 00
Less expenditures to November 25, 1884.....	80,155 45
	19,844 55
	\$648,137 88

"A."

Enlargement of the Metropolitan Museum of Art (Chap. 447, Laws 1884).

Contract in force.....	\$20,150 00
Estimated amounts for 1885—	
Masonry.....	\$117,020 00
Iron work.....	80,000 00
Carpenter and joiner work.....	42,240 00
Glass.....	11,500 00
Plumbing.....	7,300 00
Elevators.....	6,000 00
Lighting.....	9,300 00
Heating and ventilation.....	14,000 00
Subway and entrance.....	8,600 00
Furniture and equipment.....	16,800 00
	312,760 00
	\$332,910 00
Architect's commissions, 5 per cent.....	16,645 50
	\$349,555 50

"B."

DATE OF CONTRACT.	PURPOSE AWARDED.	TOTAL AMOUNT.	AMOUNT PAID.	AMOUNT REQUIRED TO COMPLETE.
Amounts Retained for Repairs.				
Dec. 4, 1882	Regulating, etc., Clifton street, St. Ann's to Union avenue.....	\$28,790 49	\$28,207 59	\$582 90
July 31, 1883	Sewer in Westchester avenue and One Hundred and Fiftieth street, Brook to Courtland avenue, etc.....	12,492 32	12,075 20	417 12
Oct. 20, 1883	Grove street sewer system.....	46,526 44	44,684 24	1,842 20
Oct. 29, 1883	Sewer in One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, Brook to Robbins avenue.....	11,653 43	11,285 09	368 34
Nov. 13, 1883	Regulating, etc., One Hundred and Forty-sixth street, between North Third and St. Ann's avenues.....	5,705 56	5,236 20	469 36
Dec. 10, 1883	Paving One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, North Third to Alexander avenue.....	4,788 27	4,433 55	354 72
Dec. 12, 1883	Paving Lincoln avenue, from Southern Boulevard to North Third avenue.....	16,417 55	15,785 05	632 50
Dec. 13, 1883	Laying crosswalks, Willis avenue, Southern Boulevard to North Third avenue.....	3,482 52	3,277 17	205 35
Dec. 13, 1883	Laying crosswalks, Morris avenue, between North Third and Railroad avenues.....	3,433 08	3,227 48	205 60
Jan. 19, 1884	Paving Courtland avenue, North Third avenue to One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street.....	17,215 65	16,002 10	1,213 55
Jan. 31, 1884	Sewer in One Hundred and Forty-fifth street, between Brook and St. Ann's avenues.....	2,806 00	2,697 80	108 20
June 14, 1884	Regulating, etc., One Hundred and Forty-first street, between North Third and Rider avenues.....	2,847 97	2,613 91	234 06
June 12, 1884	Regulating, etc., One Hundred and Forty-third street, between Brook and St. Ann's avenues.....	3,161 50	3,021 42	140 08
June 14, 1884	Regulating, etc., One Hundred and Forty-second street, between North Third and Rider avenues.....	3,402 14	3,127 88	274 26
Aug. 13, 1884	Sewer in Walton avenue, from One Hundred and Fiftieth street to a point five hundred feet northerly therefrom.....	1,889 95	1,792 20	97 75
Nov. 1, 1882	Laying crosswalks, One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, Melrose, Courtland, College and Railroad avenues (Treasurer's Order).....	925 83	826 60	39 23
Nov. 13, 1883	Laying crosswalks, Denman place and Leggett and Tinton avenues (Treasurer's order).....	471 28	425 96	45 32
	Total amount retained for repairs.....	\$166,009 98	\$158,779 44	\$7,230 54
Amounts for Contracts upon which Work is in Progress.				
Feb. 1, 1883	Regulating, etc., One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, between Boston road and Union avenue.....	\$9,382 55	\$5,949 30	\$3,433 25
May 26, 1883	Sewer in North Third avenue and Boston road, from Brook avenue to One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street.....	29,342 00	16,234 75	13,107 25
Jan. 31, 1884	Regulating, etc., One Hundred and Forty-eighth street, between North Third and St. Ann's avenues.....	10,003 51	5,637 14	4,366 37
Feb. 15, 1884	Sewer in Lincoln avenue, between Harlem river and One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, and in Southern Boulevard, etc.....	15,039 50	9,449 59	5,589 91
Feb. 18, 1884	Regulating, etc., One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, from St. Ann's to Rider avenue.....	16,500 00	11,218 20	5,281 80
June 25, 1884	Sewer in Washington avenue, between Brook avenue and One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street.....	27,239 40	10,584 00	16,655 40
June 27, 1884	Sewer in Webster avenue, One Hundred and Sixty-fifth to One Hundred and Eighty-fourth street.....	172,758 90	.....	172,758 90
July 17, 1884	Regulating, etc., One Hundred and Fifty-ninth street, North Third to Railroad avenue.....	7,958 70	3,210 62	4,748 08
July 23, 1884	Sewer in One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street, from summit between Willis and Alexander avenues to Brook avenue.....	7,385 30	1,448 65	5,936 65
Sept. 1, 1884	Regulating, etc., One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street, from North Third to Willis avenue.....	2,203 80	.....	2,203 80
Sept. 3, 1884	Regulating, etc., One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street, North Third to Railroad avenue.....	14,610 17	.....	14,610 17
Sept. 20, 1884	Regulating, etc., Brook avenue, from N. Y. & H. R. R. to a point four hundred and eighty-seven feet south of One Hundred and Thirty-second street.....	106,705 00	.....	106,705 00
Oct. 14, 1884	Paving One Hundred and Forty-third street, Alexander to Brook avenue.....	9,919 05	.....	9,919 05
Oct. 14, 1884	Paving Willis avenue, Southern Boulevard to North Third avenue.....	35,399 50	.....	35,399 50
Oct. 2, 1884	Sewer in One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, between Boston road and Trinity avenue.....	4,240 25	.....	4,240 25
Oct. 31, 1884	Sewer in Southern Boulevard, between North Third and Lincoln avenues.....	8,110 00	.....	8,110 00
Oct. 15, 1884	Filling sunken lots, northwest corner One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street and Forest avenue.....	202 50	.....	202 50
Oct. 15, 1884	Laying crosswalks at the intersection of One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street and Railroad avenue.....	172 00	.....	172 00
Nov. 20, 1884	Pile foundation, Webster avenue sewer.....	64,800 00	.....	64,800 00
Nov. 20, 1884	Regulating, etc., Westchester avenue, North Third to Prospect avenue.....	43,884 00	.....	43,884 00
	Total amounts for contracts upon which work is in progress.....	\$583,766 13	\$63,732 25	\$522,033 88
	Amount required for Engineers in charge of work, and preparing assessment maps, abstracts, etc., estimated.....	.....	.....	\$13,500 00

"C."

Statement of Contracts awarded November 26, 1884.

Regulating, etc., One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street, between North Third avenue and Brook avenue.....	\$13,544 30
Regulating, etc., One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street, between North Third avenue and Brook avenue.....	9,148 55
Regulating, etc., One Hundred and Fifty-first street, between North Third avenue and Courtland avenue.....	1,996 50
Regulating, etc., One Hundred and Fifty-fourth street, between North Third avenue and Courtland avenue.....	3,861 10
Sewer, etc., One Hundred and Sixty-second street, between Brook avenue and Courtland avenue, with branch.....	10,840 60
Sewer, etc., One Hundred and Seventieth street, between North Third avenue and Franklin avenues, with branch.....	15,777 86
Sewer in Westchester avenue, from Brook avenue to St. Ann's avenue, with branches..	7,865 00
	\$63,033 91

"D."

Improvement Morningside Park (Chap. 565, Laws 1880).

Existing contract—	
Stone work for bays and entrances.....	\$53,500 00
Paid on account.....	52,162 50
	\$1,337 50
Estimated amount required, 1885—	
Stone, granite, iron, and bronze work.....	70,000 00
	\$71,337 50

I.—Proceedings have been initiated, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment have been appointed by the Court and are now engaged in taking lands for—

	Miles.
1. Sedgwick avenue, from Boston road to Van Courtlandt avenue.....	0.49
2. Webster avenue, from East One Hundred and Eighty-fourth street to Middlebrook street.....	1.10
3. Bailey avenue, from Sedgwick to Boston avenue.....	0.83
4. Railroad avenue, East, from Harlem river to East One Hundred and Sixty-first street....	1.30
5. Lincoln avenue, from Harlem river to the Southern Boulevard.....	0.10
6. Rider avenue, from East One Hundred and East Thirty-fifth to East One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street.....	0.04
7. Gerard avenue, from East One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street to Jerome avenue.....	1.91
8. East One Hundred and Sixty-second street, from Brook avenue to Elton avenue.....	0.01
9. East One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street, from Railroad avenue, East, to Webster avenue.....	0.08

	Miles.
10. East One Hundred and Forty-seventh street, from Willis avenue to Brook avenue.....	0.16
11. Juliet street, from Mott avenue to Walton avenue.....	0.07
12. Burside avenue, from Webster to Sedgwick avenue.....	1.10
13. Tremont avenue, from Boston road to Aqueduct avenue.....	2.09
14. North Third avenue, from the Twenty-third Ward line to Pelham avenue.....	1.91
15. Prospect avenue, from Westchester avenue to the Southern Boulevard.....	0.55
16. Wales avenue, from Kelly street to Westchester avenue.....	0.10
17. Kelly street, from Wales avenue to Prospect avenue.....	0.14
18. Welch street, from the west line of the New York and Harlem Railroad to the Kings- bridge road.....	0.03
19. Tinton avenue, from Westchester avenue to Kelly street.....	0.17

Total miles..... 12.18

	Acres.
20. Cedar Park.....	17.47
21. Park north of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, between Tenth avenue and Harlem river.....	157.00

Exclusive of the "Reservoir Park."..... 174.47

II.—The Department has ordered proceedings initiated for acquiring title to lands for the following streets, etc., but upon which no Commissioners have as yet been appointed by the Court, so far as this Department is aware. Rule maps have been prepared for—

	Miles.
1. Bungay street, from East One Hundred and Forty-ninth street to Long Island Sound....	0.48
2. East One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, from the Southern Boulevard to the west line of Austin place.....	0.10
3. Courtland avenue, from East One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street to East One Hundred and Sixty-first street.....	0.25
4. For drainage of Morrisania, East.....	0.55
5. For drainage of Highbridgeville.....	0.53
6. For drainage of West Farms.....	3.05
7. For drainage of Woodstock.....	2.34
8. For drainage of St. Nicholas avenue, at West One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street.....	2.02

Rule maps ordered and now being prepared for—

9. Bailey avenue, from Boston avenue to Van Courtlandt avenue.....	0.75
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Total miles..... 10.07

	Acres.
10. Tiffany Park (Rule map ordered and now being prepared) at Macomb's Dam road and Jerome avenue.....	0.30

BOARD OF EDUCATION, No. 146 GRAND STREET, }
NEW YORK, November 19, 1884. }

Hon. S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller, etc. :

DEAR SIR—In response to your request of the 14th instant, for an estimate in detail of the amounts which will be required from this date during the year 1885, to be provided from the proceeds of bonds for the purchase of new sites for the erection of new school buildings, and for fitting up and furnishing the same for the use of the common schools of the City of New York, under chapter 458 of the Laws of 1884, I respectfully submit the subjoined statement :

Sites.	
Twenty-second Ward—Neighborhood of Sixty-third street.....	\$60,000 00
Twelfth Ward—East side, between Eighty-seventh and One Hundred and Fifth streets.....	60,000 00
Twelfth Ward—East side, between Ninetieth and One Hundred and Fifth streets.....	40,000 00
Eighth Ward—Near King street.....	60,000 00

\$220,000 00

Buildings.	
Twenty-third Ward—Spuyten Duyvil.....	\$25,000 00
Twenty-second Ward—Fiftieth street, near Ninth avenue.....	130,000 00
Twelfth Ward—One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street and Sixth avenue.....	130,000 00
Twelfth Ward—On new site.....	130,000 00
Eighth Ward—On new site.....	130,000 00
Seventh Ward—Grammar School No. 2.....	130,000 00
Twenty-third Ward—High Bridge.....	40,000 00
Twentieth Ward—Site and Colored School.....	60,000 00

775,000 00

Total..... \$995,000 00

Very respectfully,

STEPHEN A. WALKER, President.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, }
No. 31 CHAMBERS STREET, }
NEW YORK, November 29, 1884. }

Hon. S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller :

SIR—I have received your letter of 13th instant, referring to the amendment to the Constitution of the State, restricting the indebtedness of counties, cities, etc., and requesting me to furnish you with a statement in detail of the amounts which will be required to be provided from the proceeds of bonds for the completion of all existing contracts entered into by the Department of Public Works, and an estimate of the amounts which will be required during the year 1885, to be paid from the proceeds of bonds authorized to be issued for any and all objects and purposes in the Department of Public Works, besides the amount required for existing contracts.

In view of the language and purposes of the Constitutional Amendment, all the expenditures of this Department to be provided for by the issue of bonds, on account of contracts or otherwise, may be divided into two classes :

First—Expenditures for Street Improvements payable from Assessment Bonds.

Second—Expenditures on account of the Water Supply.

The issue of bonds to provide for the supply of water is specially excepted from the restriction made by the amendment.

In respect to the issue of bonds and payment of expenditures for street improvements made under the direction of this Department, the city merely acts as the agent and trustee of the property-owners, for whose benefit such improvements are made, and which are ultimately paid for by local assessments on the property benefited. It seems to me, therefore, that such expenditures and issue of Assessment Bonds are not to be included in the indebtedness restricted by the amendment, except so far as the assessments fall on the city at large. Such bonds being of the nature of Revenue Bonds issued in anticipation of the collection of taxes, and also specially excepted from the restriction provided by the amendment.

I present herewith detailed statements, as requested, of which the following is a recapitulation :

Existing Contracts for Street Improvements Chargeable to Street Improvement Fund, with Total Estimated Cost; Amount Paid to Date; and Amount Required for Completion, including Cost of Surveying and Inspection.

	TOTAL ESTIMATED COST.	AMOUNT PAID TO DATE.	ESTIMATED COST OF COMPLETION.
Pavement Contracts.....	\$174,977 00	\$950 11	\$174,026 89
Sewer Contracts.....	315,601 71	82,913 48	232,688 23
Regulating and Grading Contracts.....	993,796 18	352,946 18	640,850 00
Total.....	\$1,484,374 89	436,809 77	1,047,565 12

Contracts for Street Improvements now being Advertised for Public Letting.

	TOTAL ESTIMATED COST.	AMOUNT PAID TO DATE FOR PRELIMINARY SURVEYS.	ESTIMATED COST OF COMPLETION.
Pavement Contracts.....	\$285,300 00	\$1,417 34	\$283,882 66
Sewer Contracts.....	187,400 00	.....	187,400 00
Regulating and Grading Contracts.....	66,341 88	341 88	66,000 00
Total.....	\$539,041 88	\$1,759 22	\$539,282 66

Contracts for Street Improvements which have been Let, but not Executed.

	TOTAL ESTIMATED COST.	AMOUNT PAID TO DATE FOR PRELIMINARY SURVEYS.	ESTIMATED COST OF COMPLETION.
Sewer Contracts.....	\$60,550 00	.....	\$60,550 00
Regulating and Grading.....	439,008 86	\$2,108 86	436,900 00
Total.....	\$499,558 86	\$2,108 86	\$497,450 00

In respect to the expenditures for water supply, payable from bonds, I would state that the amount of \$1,000,000, authorized by law to be expended for such purpose in any one year under the direction of this Department, will be required for the year 1885, to prosecute the several contracts for the completion of the works for the Bronx river supply; the proposed works for a supply from the Byram river; the damages to be paid for lands, water rights, easements, etc., and all engineering and other expenses connected with these works and chargeable to that account.

An estimate of the amount of Assessment Bonds required to be issued during the year 1885 cannot be furnished, because such amount depends on the action of the Common Council in authorizing and directing the Department to make such improvements.

Very respectfully,

HUBERT O. THOMPSON, Commissioner of Public Works.

Statement of Existing Contracts Chargeable to Assessment Fund, with Total Estimated Cost, Amount Paid to Date, and Amount required for Completion, including Cost of Surveying and Inspection.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTRACT.	DATE OF CONTRACT	TOTAL ESTIMATED COST.	AMOUNT PAID TO DATE, INCLUDING SURVEYS AND INSPECTO S.	ESTIMATED AMOUNTS REQUIRED FOR COMPLETION.
<i>Paving Contracts.</i>				
1884				
St. Nicholas place, between One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street and Avenue St. Nicholas.....	Oct. 15	\$10,635 00	\$107 03	\$10,527 97
First avenue, between Ninety-second and One Hundred and Ninth streets.....	" 15	80,075 00	314 93	79,760 07
Seventieth street, between Avenue A and a line seven hundred and sixty feet easterly.....	Nov. 7	9,395 00	32 50	9,362 50
Eightieth street, between Madison and Fourth avenues.....	" 7	2,620 00	.....	2,620 00
Eighty-first street, between Avenue A and First avenue.....	July 29	5,467 00	32 65	5,434 35
Eighty-first street, between Boulevard and Riverside Drive.....	June 23	6,400 00	45 50	6,354 50
Eighty-eighth street, between Second avenue and Third avenue.....	Nov. 18	5,316 00	32 50	5,283 50
Eighty-ninth street, between Second avenue and Fifth avenue.....	" 22	15,200 00	135 00	15,065 00
Eighty-ninth street, between First avenue and Avenue A.....	" 18	5,130 00	32 65	5,097 35
Ninety-third street, between Second avenue and Avenue A, except between First and Second avenues.....	" 18	4,740 00	32 65	4,707 35
One Hundred and Eighth street, between Second avenue and Third avenue.....	Oct. 21	5,650 00	50 00	5,600 00
One Hundred and Eleventh street, between Seventh avenue and Avenue St. Nicholas.....	" 21	6,060 00	34 90	6,025 10
One Hundred and Fifteenth street, between Fifth avenue and Sixth avenue.....	Nov. 22	8,110 00	48 00	8,062 00
One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, between Fifth avenue and Madison avenue.....	" 18	3,705 00	23 40	3,682 60
One Hundred and Fifty-second street, between St. Nicholas place and Avenue St. Nicholas.....	Oct. 15	871 00	.....	871 00
One Hundred and Fifty-third street, between St. Nicholas place and Avenue St. Nicholas.....	" 15	1,200 00	.....	1,200 00
One Hundred and Fifty-third street, between Tenth avenue and Avenue St. Nicholas.....	Nov. 29	4,202 00	28 40	4,173 60
Total.....	.....	\$174,977 00	\$950 11	\$174,026 89
<i>Sewer Contracts.</i>				
1882				
West End avenue, between Seventy-sixth and Eighty-ninth streets, etc.....	May 19 1884	\$80,343 04	\$51,098 68	\$29,244 36
1884				
First avenue, between Forty-eighth and Forty-ninth streets.....	Aug. 18	2,344 10	.....	2,344 10
Second avenue, between Sixty-sixth and Sixty-seventh streets.....	June 23	5,715 87	1,253 00	4,462 87
Fourth avenue, between Twenty-seventh and Thirtieth streets, etc.....	Aug. 7	8,190 06	2,728 60	5,461 46
Fourth avenue, between Fifty-seventh and Fifty-eighth streets.....	Nov. 17	2,359 50	.....	2,359 50
Tenth avenue, between Fifty-sixth and Fifty-seventh streets.....	June 23	3,200 80	.....	3,200 80
Tenth avenue, between One Hundred and Sixty-second and One Hundred and Seventieth streets.....	" 25	42,223 50	.....	42,223 50
Eleventh avenue, between One Hundred and Fifty-seventh and One Hundred and Fifty-ninth streets.....	Aug. 27	18,544 99	11,098 83	7,446 16
Beekman place, from one hundred and fifty feet to one hundred and seventy feet ten inches south of Fiftieth street.....	Oct. 28	269 22	.....	269 22
Beekman place, between Forty-ninth and Fifty-first streets.....	Aug. 18	3,632 75	.....	3,632 75
Eighteenth street, between Second and Third avenues.....	" 20	651 27	.....	651 27
Forty-seventh street, extension at East river.....	Nov. 11	928 40	.....	928 40
Fifty-ninth street, between Eighth avenue and end of present sewer, east.....	Aug. 27	6,480 32	.....	6,480 32
Eighty-fourth street, between Tenth avenue and Riverside avenue.....	" 25	10,680 72	1,139 08	9,541 64
Eighty-fifth street, between Ninth avenue and Tenth avenue.....	June 30	11,632 50	.....	11,632 50
Eighty-sixth street, between Tenth avenue and Riverside avenue.....	" 25	11,022 85	5,607 69	5,415 16
Eighty-eighth, Eighty-ninth and Ninetieth streets, be- tween Ninth and Tenth avenues.....	Nov. 22	22,277 75	.....	22,277 75
Eighty-eighth street, between Fifth and Madison avenues.....	Sept. 25	13,473 57	.....	13,473 57
Ninety-seventh street, between Third and Fourth avenues.....	Aug. 19	5,009 07	.....	5,009 07
One Hundred and First street, between Ninth and Man- hattan avenues.....	" 25	1,609 30	.....	1,609 30
One Hundred and Twentieth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues.....	" 21	2,576 15	.....	2,576 15
One Hundred and Twenty-third street, between Ninth and Manhattan avenues.....	" 20	1,621 13	.....	1,621 13
One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, between Law- rence street and Convent avenue.....	Oct. 17	2,392 50	.....	2,392 50
One Hundred and Thirty-first street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues.....	Nov. 7	2,399 10	.....	2,399 10
One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues.....	Oct. 17	4,243 80	.....	4,243 80
One Hundred and Forty-first street, between Tenth and St. Nicholas avenues.....	Sept. 9	10,606 75	.....	10,606 75
One Hundred and Forty-first street, between Boulevard and Diagonal avenue.....	Aug. 25	5,260 20	.....	5,260 20
One Hundred and Forty-fifth street, between Boulevard and Tenth avenue.....	Nov. 21	8,942 90	.....	8,942 90
One Hundred and Forty-sixth street, between St. Nicholas and Tenth avenues.....	Aug. 20	6,102 80	.....	6,102 80
One Hundred and Forty-seventh street, between Eighth and first new avenue west.....	July 29	15,582 35	9,987 60	5,594 75
One Hundred and Fifty-first street, between St. Nicholas and Tenth avenues, etc.....	Nov. 14	4,226 20	.....	4,226 20
Receiving-basins, Beaver street, northeast corner William street.....	Oct. 1	418 05	.....	418 05
Receiving-basins, One Hundred and Twenty-third street, southwest corner of Fourth avenue.....	" 17	640 20	.....	640 20
Total.....	.....	\$315,601 71	\$81,913 48	\$232,688 23

DESCRIPTION OF CONTRACT.	DATE OF CONTRACT	TOTAL ESTIMATED COST.	AMOUNT PAID TO DATE, INCLUDING SURVEYORS AND INSPECTORS.	ESTIMATED AMOUNTS REQUIRED FOR COMPLETION.
<i>Regulating, Grading, etc.</i>				
Sixty-sixth street, between Eighth avenue and Boulevard..	1877 Nov. 9	\$20,733 65	\$14,033 65	\$6,700 00
Eighty-eighth street, between Tenth avenue and Riverside Drive	1881 Nov. 15	26,916 90	19,416 90	7,500 00
Ninety-eighth street, between Fourth and Fifth avenues ..	1882 June 13	9,484 50	3,184 50	6,300 00
One Hundred and First street, between Third avenue and five feet east of Fourth avenue	Sept. 26	34,754 75	17,754 75	17,000 00
One Hundred and Eighteenth street, between Fourth and Sixth avenues.....	Oct. 12	34,019 15	14,019 15	20,000 00
One Hundred and Fifty-third street, sixty feet east of Seventh avenue to New avenue.....	April 4	34,933 10	13,933 10	21,000 00
Morningside avenue, between One Hundred and Tenth street and Tenth avenue, etc.....	1883 June 26	151,168 34	109,168 34	42,000 00
Morningside avenue, East, and One Hundred and Twenty-third street.....	Sept. 26	64,029 90	39,029 90	25,000 00
Sixty-fourth street, between First avenue and East river..	Nov. 21	17,127 46	6,127 46	11,000 00
Eighty-fifth street, between Tenth avenue and Riverside Drive	Sept. 18	21,293 89	11,793 89	9,500 00
Ninety-fifth street, between Tenth avenue and Riverside Drive	May 31	106,934 83	31,934 83	75,000 00
One Hundredth street, between Fourth and Fifth avenues.....	Oct. 6	10,818 25	4,618 25	6,200 00
One Hundred and Third street, between Tenth avenue and Riverside Drive	Nov. 17	14,058 10	4,058 10	10,000 00
One Hundred and Fifty-first street, between St. Nicholas avenue and Boulevard	Aug. 28	7,822 25	4,322 25	3,500 00
One Hundred and Fifty-seventh street, between Tenth avenue and Boulevard	Dec. 7	16,074 40	6,074 40	10,000 00
One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, between Kingsbridge road and Public Drive.....	June 25	19,249 50	10,049 50	9,200 00
One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues.....	1884 Dec. 7	17,116 90	5,816 90	5,300 00
Kingsbridge road, between One Hundred and Fifty-fifth and One Hundred and Ninetieth streets.....	July 31	103,077 04	8,077 04	95,000 00
Madison avenue, between One Hundred and Thirty-fifth and One Hundred and Thirty-seventh streets.....	May 20	8,580 87	2,730 87	5,850 00
Tenth avenue, between One Hundred and Seventh and One Hundred and Tenth streets	Oct. 14	1,124 00	24 00	1,100 00
Eleventh avenue, between Kingsbridge road and Dyckman street.....	Sept. 4	118,311 62	11,811 62	106,500 00
Boulevard, east side, between Sixty-seventh and Seventy-fifth streets.....	Oct. 14	1,624 00	24 00	1,600 00
Seventy-fourth street, between Eighth avenue and Riverside Drive.....	Aug. 5	30,567 99	167 99	30,400 00
Ninety-first street, between Third avenue and Fourth avenue.....	Nov. 29	2,046 75	46 75	2,000 00
Ninety-third street, between West End avenue and Riverside Drive.....	Feb. 20	34,889 90	389 90	34,500 00
Ninety-fourth street, between Second avenue and Third avenue	Oct. 20	3,232 50	32 50	3,200 00
One Hundred and Third street, between Ninth avenue and Tenth avenue.....	Aug. 24	9,244 50	1,344 50	7,900 00
One Hundred and Twelfth street, between Seventh avenue and Eighth avenue.....	May 20	9,528 75	2,528 75	7,000 00
One Hundred and Seventeenth street, between Sixth avenue and Seventh avenue.....	Oct. 20	7,041 00	41 00	7,000 00
One Hundred and Twentieth street, between Eighth avenue and Ninth avenue.....	" 31	2,891 25	41 25	2,850 00
One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street, between Tenth avenue and Boulevard.....	Nov. 29	7,540 95	40 95	7,500 00
One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street, between First avenue and Second avenue.....	Oct. 31	2,900 00	.....	2,900 00
One Hundred and Thirty-second street, between Tenth avenue and Broadway.....	May 31	10,037 50	2,637 50	7,400 00
One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, between Seventh avenue and new avenue.....	" 20	13,400 05	5,650 05	7,750 00
One Hundred and Sixty-second street, between Tenth avenue and Edgecomb avenue.....	" 31	11,440 83	1,740 83	9,700 00
One Hundred and Eighty-fifth street, between Tenth avenue and Kingsbridge road.....	" 2	15,780 81	280 81	15,500 00
Total.....	.....	\$993,796 18	\$352,946 18	\$640,850 00
<i>Summary.</i>				
Contracts for Paving.....	.....	\$174,977 00	\$650 11	\$174,026 89
Contracts for Sewers.....	.....	315,601 71	82,913 48	232,688 23
Contracts for Regulating, Grading, etc .....	.....	993,796 18	352,946 18	640,850 00
Total .....	.....	\$1,484,374 89	\$436,809 77	\$1,047,565 12

Contracts for Street Improvements now being Advertised for Public Letting.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTRACT.	TOTAL ESTIMATED COST.	AMOUNT PAID TO DATE FOR PRELIMINARY SURVEYS.	ESTIMATED COST OF COMPLETION.
<i>Paving Contracts.</i>			
Madison avenue, between Eighty-sixth and One Hundred and Thirty-fifth streets, where not paved.....	\$102,000 00	\$576 66	\$101,423 34
Sixth avenue, between One Hundred and Twenty-fifth and One Hundred and Forty-fifth streets, and crosswalks both sides	3,200 00	.....	3,200 00
Ninth avenue, between Seventy-seventh and One Hundred and Tenth streets.....	136,000 00	614 53	135,385 47
Seventy-third street, between Ninth avenue, and two hundred and twenty-five feet west of Eighth avenue.....	4,500 00	28 65	4,471 35
Eighty-second street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues.....	7,100 00	.....	7,100 00
Eighty-third street, between Boulevard and Riverside Drive.....	7,300 00	44 95	7,255 05
One Hundred and Second street, between Lexington and Fifth avenues	13,000 00	76 55	12,923 45
One Hundred and Third street, between First and Second avenues.....	5,900 00	34 50	5,865 50
One Hundred and Thirty-third street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues.....	6,300 00	41 50	6,258 50
Total.....	\$285,300 00	\$1,417 34	\$283,882 66
<i>Sewer Contracts.</i>			
Kingsbridge road, between One Hundred and Fifty-fifth and One Hundred and Fifty-sixth streets.....	\$2,750 00	.....	.....
Fourth avenue, between Fifty-fourth and Fifty-fifth streets.....	2,000 00	.....	.....
Eighth avenue, between One Hundred and Fifth and One Hundred and Fourteenth streets.....	54,000 00	.....	.....
Eightth avenue, between One Hundred and Fourteenth and One Hundred and Sixteenth streets.....	5,800 00	.....	.....
Sixty-sixth street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues.....	15,400 00	.....	.....
Sixty-seventh, Sixty-eighth and Sixty-ninth streets, between West End avenue and Hudson River Railroad.....	15,000 00	.....	.....
Ninety-second street, between Tenth avenue and Boulevard, and in Tenth avenue, etc.....	18,700 00	.....	.....
Ninety-fifth street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.....	8,150 00	.....	.....
Ninety-seventh street, between Boulevard and Riverside avenue.....	6,000 00	.....	.....
One Hundred and Sixth street, between Boulevard and summit east.....	5,000 00	.....	.....
One Hundred and Sixth street, between summits east and west of Tenth avenue.....	8,500 00	.....	.....
One Hundred and Seventeenth street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues and Avenue St. Nicholas, etc.....	15,000 00	.....	.....
One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues.....	4,000 00	.....	.....
One Hundred and Fifty-sixth and One Hundred and Fifty-seventh streets, between Tenth avenue and Kingsbridge road.....	22,000 00	.....	.....
Receiving-basins, east side Ninth avenue, opposite Seventy-eighth, Seventy-ninth and Eightieth streets.....	3,300 00	.....	.....
Receiving-basins, northwest and southwest corners One Hundred and First street and Third avenue, and northeast, northwest, southeast and southwest corners One Hundred and Sixth street and Fourth avenue.....	1,800 00	.....	.....
Total	\$187,400 00	.....	.....

DESCRIPTION OF CONTRACT.	TOTAL ESTIMATED COST.	AMOUNT PAID TO DATE FOR PRELIMINARY SURVEYS.	ESTIMATED COST OF COMPLETION.
<i>Regulating, Grading, etc., Contracts.</i>			
Fourth avenue, between Ninety-seventh and One Hundred and Second streets.....	\$5,563 95	\$63 95	\$5,500 00
Sixth avenue, between One Hundred and Twenty-fifth and One Hundred and Forty-fifth streets	9,500 00	.....	9,500 00
Eighty-fifth street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.....	3,132 00	32 00	3,100 00
Ninety-ninth street, between Eleventh avenue and Riverside Drive..	11,023 58	23 58	11,000 00
One Hundred and Thirteenth street, between Eighth and New avenues	6,220 70	20 70	6,200 00
One Hundred and Fourteenth street, between Fourth and Eighth avenues	29,387 75	187 75	29,200 00
One Hundred and Forty-first street, between Tenth and Diagonal avenues	1,513 90	13 90	1,500 00
Total.....	\$66,341 88	\$341 88	\$66,000 00

Contracts for Street Improvements which have been Let but not Executed.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTRACT.	TOTAL ESTIMATED COST.	AMOUNT PAID TO DATE FOR PRELIMINARY SURVEYS.	ESTIMATED COST OF COMPLETION.
<i>Sewer Contracts.</i>			
Lexington avenue, between Ninety-fifth and Ninety-sixth streets, and in Ninety-fifth and Ninety-sixth streets, etc.....	\$18,700 00	.....	.....
Seventy-second street, between Hudson river and Eleventh avenue, with branch in Riverside avenue, between Seventy-second and Seventy-sixth streets.....	35,000 00	.....	.....
Eighty-third street, between Boulevard and West End avenue	4,300 00	.....	.....
One Hundred and Fourth street, between Boulevard and Tenth avenue	2,550 00	.....	.....
Total.....	\$60,550 00	.....	.....
<i>Regulating, Grading, etc., Contracts</i>			
Fort Washington Ridge road	\$153,491 81	\$991 81	\$152,500 00
New avenue, between One Hundred and Forty-fifth and One Hundred and Fifty-fifth streets.....	111,362 39	362 39	111,000 00
West End avenue, between Seventy-second street and Boulevard	113,663 25	663 25	113,000 00
Ninety-fourth street, between Boulevard and Riverside Drive	50,250 25	50 25	50,200 00
One Hundred and Fourth street, between Boulevard and Riverside Drive	10,241 16	41 16	10,200 00
Total.....	\$439,008 86	\$2,108 86	\$436,900 00

OFFICE OF THE
CLERK OF STREET OPENINGS, NO. 73 WILLIAM STREET, }
NEW YORK, November 28, 1884.

Hon. S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller :

SIR—Your communications of the 14th and 26th instant have been duly received. You ask me to furnish you with “an estimate in detail of the amounts which will be required from this date (November 14), and during the year 1885, to be provided from the proceeds of bonds for the payment of the expenses of opening streets, avenues, parks and public places in the City of New York, the proceedings for which have been or may be confirmed by the Supreme Court.”

With the exception of the following proceedings, which have almost reached completion, any estimate of mine would be merely a guess as to what sums the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the several proceedings might allow.

The Commissioners in Cedar Park have almost completed their work, and I believe their report will be confirmed by the Supreme Court in December next. In this case the amount required to pay the awards and costs will be about two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000), about one-half of which sum has been assessed upon property benefited by the improvement. The awards in this matter will become due and payable immediately upon the confirmation of the report.

In the matter of opening Rider avenue, the report will be ready for presentation to the Supreme Court not later than February next. In this case the amount required to pay the awards and costs will be about fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000), all of which sum, with the exception of about fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500), will be assessed, I presume, upon the property benefited by the improvement.

The report in Sedgwick avenue will be ready about the same time. The sum here required to pay the awards and costs will be about twenty-one thousand dollars (\$21,000), half of which sum will be assessed upon the property benefited. The awards in these matters also will become due and payable immediately upon the confirmation of the report.

In the matter of Gansevoort street widening. This report will be ready not later than March. The total amount required to pay the awards and costs in this matter will be about one hundred and seventy-four thousand dollars (\$174,000), of which sum about twenty-six thousand dollars (\$26,000) will be assessed upon the city. The awards in this matter will not become due and payable until four months after the report is confirmed.

There are many other proceedings pending, some of them involving large amounts, which may be closed during the year 1885; among these may be mentioned the new parks in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, for which many millions will be required; High Bridge Park, Webster avenue, Railroad avenue, Bailey avenue, and Girard avenue, which, together, may require from one to three millions of dollars.

Yours respectfully,
ARTHUR BERRY, Clerk of Street Openings.

Which were received and referred to the Mayor, Comptroller and Counsel to the Corporation.

The President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments presented the following :

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE, }
NEW YORK, December 2, 1884.

To the Honorable the Board of Estimate and Apportionment :

GENTLEMEN—Pursuant to a demand made upon me by the Justices of the Supreme Court, under date of the 1st inst., “to provide and assign a Clerk for Part II. of the Special Term” of said Court, you are respectfully requested to include in the appropriation to be made for the Supreme Court the sum of two thousand dollars, for the salary of a Clerk for the Part of the Term above named.

Very respectfully,
PATRICK KEENAN,
Clerk City and County of New York, and Clerk of the Supreme Court.

Which was received and placed on file.

The Comptroller moved that when the Board adjourns it do so to meet on Friday, December 5, 1884, at 12 o'clock M.

Which was agreed to.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

THOS. B. ASTEN, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND
CORRECTION.

MEETINGS, NOVEMBER 17 TO 22, 1884.

Communications Received.

From Penitentiary. List of prisoners received during week ending November 15, 1884: Males, 37; females, 8. On file.
List of 29 prisoners to be discharged from November 23 to 29, 1884. Transmitted to Prison Association.

From Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's Island. History of 11 patients received during week ending November 15, 1884. On file.

From New York City Asylum for Insane, Ward's Island. History of 5 patients received during week ending November 15, 1884. On file.

From City Prison. Amount of fines received during week ending November 15, 1884, \$152. On file.

Resolved, That the General Bookkeeper and Auditor be and he is hereby directed to prepare and insert in the CITY RECORD, a new advertisement for the "Equipment of an Incandescent Electric-light Plant for Ward's Island." Same to be opened on December 12, 1884, and the bond for faithful performance of contract and to guarantee the successful working of the system or plant accepted, to be fixed in the penal sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000). Adopted.

Ordered, That hereafter no members of the House Staffs, in the hospitals of this Department, be allowed to enter the apothecary shops for the purpose of putting up medicines, unless requested to do so by a visiting member of the Board over his signature. Said request to be filed away by the Apothecary. Adopted.

Resolved, That the proposals of Martin Engel, to furnish 3,535 pounds turkeys, at 14½ cents per pound;

Jacob M. Evans, 5,955 pounds chickens, at 14 cents per pound;

B. W. Lederer, 6,160 pounds chickens, at 14 cents per pound;

—be accepted, they being the lowest bidders.

Adopted.

Resolved, That the proposals of N. Millerd & Co. to furnish 480 pounds corn starch, at 4 84-100 cents per pound;

S. T. Willetts & Co., 150 bushels beans, at \$1.30 per bushel;

Thurber, Whyland & Co., 10,000 pounds rice at \$4.81 per 100 pounds;

John Fox, 50 hams, at 11½ cents per pound;

Anderson & Adams, 1,000 gallons syrup, at 15 19-100 cents per gallon;

P. M. Kendig, 6,000 pounds hominy, at 3 85-100 cents per pound.

J. F. Tyrrell, 8,000 pounds oatmeal, at 4 20-100 cents per pound.

Horace Ingersoll, 200 bushels rye, at 69 cents per bushel; 100 bags coarse meal, at \$1.05 per 100 pounds; 100 bales timothy hay, at 88 9-10 cents per 100 pounds;

A. Lester, Heyer & Lyon, 50 tongues at 10 50-100 cents per pound;

B. W. Lederer, 4,000 pounds butter, at 16 22-100 cents per pound;

M. Folsom, 1,000 pounds cheese, at 10 19-100 cents per pound;

W. R. Soper & Co., 20 barrels pickles, at \$6.19 per barrel, less 75 cents per empty barrel

returned;

W. H. Burr & Co., 33,000 eggs at 20 38-100 cents per dozen;

Williams & Rickerdson, 200 bales rye straw, at 86¾ cents per 100 pounds;

Jacob Levi, 350 barrels potatoes, at \$1.24 per barrel;

C. H. Townsend, 100 rubber blankets, at 64½ cents each;

Joseph Duryee, lumber, as per specification, for \$161;

J. L. Chamberlin, 1,500 yards bleached muslin, at 8 24-100 cents per yard; 250 yards awning stripes, at 9 90-100 cents per yard; 1,000 yards cotton jeans, at 10 9-10 cents per yard;

Robert T. Betty, 2,000 yards ticking, at 10 95-10 cents per yard;

—be accepted, they being the lowest bidders.

Adopted.

Appointments.

November 19. Catharine Larkin, Nurse, Charity Hospital. Salary, \$120 per annum.

20. Michael Cunningham, Night Orderly, Bellevue Hospital. Salary, \$144 per annum.

22. Joanna Harnett, Nurse, Randall's Island Hospital. Salary, \$192 per annum.

22. Delia Norton, Nurse, Randall's Island Hospital. Salary, \$192 per annum.

Resignations.

November 19. Joseph Kelly, Orderly, Bellevue Hospital.

Promoted.

November 17. Jas. Healy, from Night Orderly to Orderly, Bellevue Hospital. Salary increased from \$144 to \$240 per annum.

21. Thos. L. Fenn, from Assistant Physician to Assistant Resident Physician, Hart's Island Hospital. Salary increased from \$300 to \$400 per annum.

Relieved from Duty.

November 19. Dennis Carey, Attendant, New York City Asylum for Insane.

G. F. BRITTON, Secretary.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Board of Police met on the 2d day of December, 1884.

Present—Commissioners French, Matthews, Porter, and McClave.

Leave of Absence Granted.

Captain Geo. W. Gastlin, Steamboat Squad, six days, half pay.

Reports of the Surgeons for July, August, September, and October, were ordered on file.

Reports of the Superintendent, inclosing \$130, proceeds of masked ball permits for week ending November 29, and \$75, proceeds of pistol permits for November, 1884, were referred to the Treasurer to pay over to the Pension Fund.

Report of Sergeant Mullen, Sanitary Company, inclosing \$494, proceeds of engineers' licenses for November, 1884, was referred to the Treasurer to pay over to the Pension Fund.

Reports of the Superintendents of Police and Telegraph, relative to electric patrol indicator, were referred to the President and Commissioner Porter for investigation.

Weekly statement of the Comptroller, showing condition of the several accounts of the Police Department, was referred to the Treasurer.

Applications Ordered on File.

Henry E. Newton, for reappointment as Patrolman.

Dr. Edward J. Donlin, for appointment as Police Surgeon.

Patrolman John A. Bromily, Fourth Precinct, for transfer.

Application for Transfer Denied.

Patrolman Bernard Connolly, Thirty-third Precinct.

Application of Patrolman Michael Gilroy, Fifteenth Precinct, for full pay while sick, was referred to the Superintendent for report.

Application of Patrolman Jacob B. Kern, Eighteenth Precinct, for detail, was referred to the Superintendent for report as to necessity.

Communications Referred to Chief Clerk to Answer.

From Annie J. Rogers, complaint against Patrolman John McGuire.

From George E. Stuart, relative to debts of Policemen.

From Bricklayers' Union, inclosing tickets for entertainment at Madison Square Garden.

Communication from the Comptroller, transmitting warrants, was referred to the Treasurer.

Communication from John Silbald, Laidloes, England, asking whereabouts of Cadwallader Hughes, was referred to the Superintendent.

Communication from W. H. Ingersoll, relative to letter of November 28th, in regard to vehicles on streets, was ordered on file.

NEW YORK SUPREME COURT.

Cornelius Zabriskie

agst.

John F. Harriott, Property Clerk. } Transcript Judgment, \$412.87.

Referred to the Counsel to the Corporation for opinion.

On reading notice of the District Attorney, that property claimed by Edward Loble, and taken from Daniel Bradley, is not required for evidence, it was

Resolved, That the Property Clerk be directed to deliver the property to the owner on receipt of a bond of indemnity.

Promotion to Second Grade.

Patrolman James Taggart, Fifteenth Precinct.

Transfers.

Roundsman John S. Waterman, from Twenty-first Precinct to First Precinct.

Patrolman John Baker, from Fifteenth Precinct to Thirty-first Precinct.

" William H. Waehner, from Fourth Precinct to Tenth Precinct.

" Joseph H. Colligan, from Seventh Precinct to Sanitary Company.

" William Doughty, from Ninth Precinct to Steamboat Squad, with Stern Bros.

" John Ross, from Twelfth Precinct to Steamboat Squad, with Stern Bros.

" Michael Burke, from Twenty-second Precinct to Steamboat Squad, with Stern Bros.

Resolved, That the Board of Surgeons be and are hereby directed to examine the following officers, and report as to their physical condition, with a view to retirement.

Patrolman John J. Reilly, Eighteenth Precinct.

" John Roach, Eighteenth Precinct.

Resolved, That the Superintendent, Inspectors, and Captains be and they are hereby required to execute and deliver such bonds, respectively, in such amounts and in such form and manner as the Board of Police may from time to time direct; and that the Treasurer and Commissioner Porter be and they are hereby appointed a committee to investigate and report to this Board the condition of the bonds heretofore given, and the sufficiency of the sureties thereon.

Resolved, That Rule 85 be and is hereby amended by adding the following:

Members of the uniformed force having served five years in the Department, will wear on left sleeve of the overcoat, dress coat and blouse, a chevron to be designated the "service chevron," to consist of one bar five inches in length, to be placed upon the front of the sleeve adjoining to and above the cuff seam and parallel thereto, extending in length from seam to seam; for the Superintendent, Inspectors, Captains and Sergeants, the bar to be of gold braid, ¾ of an inch in width; and for all other members of the uniformed force, to be of blue cloth, with black binding ½ inch in width, as per sample in the Department of Clothing and Equipment, where the material may be purchased at the cost price thereof.

In like manner, an additional bar will be worn for every five years of service.

Mounted officers entitled to the "service chevron" shall wear, as above described, in yellow cloth instead of blue.

Judgments—Fines Imposed.

Patrolman Patrick Devitt, Fourth Precinct, five days' pay.

" James J. Cullen, Thirteenth Precinct, one day's pay.

" William H. Breakell, Sixteenth Precinct, two days' pay.

" Charles Bohan, Twenty-second Precinct, two days' pay.

" Philip H. Smith, Twenty-second Precinct, one day's pay.

" John J. Campbell, Twenty-seventh Precinct, two days' pay.

" Dominick D. McCann, Sixth Precinct, two days' pay.

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" Matthew J. Colbert, Twenty-ninth Precinct, three days' pay.

" Charles L. Whitney, First Precinct, two days' pay.

" John Renken, Sixth Precinct, one day's pay.

" Lawrence J. Lynch, Sixth Precinct, one day's pay.

" James Burke, Eleventh Precinct, two days' pay.

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" Antoine A. Straussner, Eighteenth Precinct, one day's pay.

" Thomas Cassidy, Eighteenth Precinct, one day's pay.

" Patrick H. Leslie, Twenty-second Precinct, one day's pay.

" Caspar Platte, Twenty-second Precinct, one day's pay.

" Charles W. Stevens, Twenty-seventh Precinct, one day's pay.

Reprimands.

Patrolman John T. McCarthy, Fourth Precinct.

" Patrick Cosgrove, Thirtieth Precinct.

Complaints Dismissed.

Patrolman Peter D. Carter, Fourth Precinct.

" Jeremiah Griffin, Fourth Precinct.

" George S. Smock, Tenth Precinct.

" James Burke, Eleventh Precinct.

" Adolph G. Hasslacker, Eighteenth Precinct.

" Cornelius W. Roe, Twenty-first Precinct.

" John T. Horn, Twenty-second Precinct.

" Charles Higgins, Twenty-ninth Precinct.

Adjourned.

WM. DELAMATER, First Deputy Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING—CITY OF NEW YORK,
NOS. 31 AND 32 PARK ROW,
NEW YORK, December 4, 1884.

In accordance with the provisions of section 51, chapter 410, of the Laws of 1882, the Commissioner of Street Cleaning makes the following report of the transactions of the Department of Street Cleaning for the week ending November 29, 1884:

Number of loads of ashes removed	14,641
" " rubbish removed	4,298
" " material received from Department of Public Works	140
" " " " Markets	157
" " " " Permits	2,767
Total	22,003

Public moneys received and deposited in the City Treasury, for trimming scows, etc... \$280 64

Bills

—audited and transmitted to the Finance Department, chargeable to the appropriation for "Cleaning Streets—Department of Street Cleaning" for the year 1884:

Schedule No. 276—	
Avery, Thos. C., repairs	\$72 78
Campbell & Gardiner, licenses	57 80
Kiernan, T. F., towing	5 00
Peck, H. A., towing	5 00
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, repairs	2 85
Vought & Williams, supplies	116 25
Total	\$259 68

Pay-rolls

—audited and transmitted to the Finance Department, chargeable to the appropriation for "Cleaning Streets—Department of Street Cleaning" for the year 1884:

Schedule No. 277—	
Commissioner, etc	\$3,279 43
Foreman, Inspectors, etc	3,728 00
Total	\$7,007 43

Appointments.

Peter Mooney, Hired Cartman.

Jas. Connors, Hired Cartman.

John Landers, Hired Cartman.

Dennis McMahon, Driver.

John McGowan, Driver.

Hy. Traupe, Driver.

Jno. Gibson, Hired Cartman.

Bernard Reilly, Laborer.

Patrick Donnelly, Hired Cartman.

Thos. Reilly, Hired Cartman.

Jos. Crawley, Hired Cartman.

Wm. Davis, Hired Cartman.

Rhody McNamara, Driver.

Dan Sheehan, Driver.
Wm. Lyons, Driver.

Discharges.

Transfers.

Peter Geoghegan, Hired Cartman, from Twenty-third to Thirty-first Precinct.
Wm. McKenna, Inspector, from Old Slip to Nineteenth street.
P. J. O'Neil, Inspector, from Market street to Stanton street.
Chas. Major, Inspector, from Stanton street to Market street.
Edward Baack, Inspector, from Twenty-second street to Canal street.
Thos. Dowd, Inspector, from Thirty-eighth street to Forty-seventh street.
W. J. Reilly, Inspector, from Forty-sixth street to Thirty-seventh street.
J. B. Blake, Inspector, from Canal street to Twenty-second street.
John McLaren, Inspector, from Nineteenth street to Old Slip.
F. Gaffney, Inspector, from Thirty-seventh street to Forty-sixth street.
A. B. Devlin, Inspector, from Forty-seventh street to Thirty-eighth street.
Phil. Farley, Inspector, from Second District to Seventeenth street.
Thos. Booth, Inspector, from Seventeenth street to Twelfth street.
Jas. H. Smith, from Twelfth street to Clerk at Stables.
C. B. Galvin, from Clerk at Stables to Inspector Second District.

J. S. COLEMAN, Commissioner of Street Cleaning.

APPROVED PAPERS

Resolved, That permission is hereby granted to Henry Cranston to lay pipes under the street known as Mercer street, between Waverly place and Washington place, in this city, and for that purpose to open the pavement over said street, from the rear of the New York Hotel on the east side of Mercer street to the building opposite to said hotel on the west side of Mercer street, the latter being known as No. Mercer street, for the purpose of conducting steam between said two buildings, the owners of two-thirds in extent of the front feet of the block on Mercer street upon which said buildings are situated having petitioned the Common Council in favor thereof, in writing, proved or acknowledged in the manner required by law for the proof or acknowledgment of deeds to be recorded.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, November 20, 1884.
Approved by the Mayor, November 24, 1884.

Resolved, That authority be and the same is hereby given to the Commissioner of Public Works to have the work of repairing and repainting the Governor's Room in the City Hall, including plastering, fresco decorations and necessary scaffolding, done without contract at public letting, as required by section 64 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882; the expense not to exceed four thousand dollars, and to be paid from the appropriation for "Public Buildings—Construction and Repairs."

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, November 20, 1884.
Approved by the Mayor, November 24, 1884.

Resolved, That the name of David J. Acker, Jr., recently superseded by Philip H. Fett as a Commissioner of Deeds, be corrected so as to read David D. Acker, Jr.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, November 24, 1884.

Resolved, That Garniss E. Baker be and he is hereby appointed Commissioner of Deeds, in place of Garniss E. Baker, term expired November 21, 1884.

Resolved, That Charles P. Kearney be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, whose term of office expired November 23, 1884.

Resolved, That George Stewart be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of George Stewart, who has failed to qualify.

Resolved, That Bernard J. McDewitt be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Charles V. Peckham, who has failed to qualify.

Resolved, That Andrew J. Roe be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, whose term of office expired November 23, 1884.

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

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

Resolved, That T. Judson Kilpatrick be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of John J. Marr, who has failed to qualify.

Resolved, That William F. Ewing be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Henry F. Miller, who has failed to qualify.

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

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

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

Resolved, That Hobart Oakley be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Philip J. Joachimsen, whose term of office has expired.

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

Resolved, That Henry C. Bowers be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of A. C. Burnham, who has failed to qualify.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, November 24, 1884.

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given McKeever Brothers to place and keep a storm-door over the entrance to their premises on the southeast corner of West and Christopher streets; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, October 20, 1884.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, November 10, 1884, with his objections thereto.

In Board of Aldermen, November 24, 1884, taken up, reconsidered, as provided in section 75, chapter 410, Laws of 1882, and adopted, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor, three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby granted to John S. Lutz & Co. to erect and maintain a watering-trough in front of their premises, No. 424 Fourth avenue, corner Twenty-ninth street, the water to be supplied and work done at their own expense, and under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, October 20, 1884.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, November 10, 1884, with his objections thereto.

In Board of Aldermen, November 24, 1884, taken up, reconsidered, as provided in section 75, chapter 410, Laws of 1882, and adopted, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor, three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to George H. Brennan to place and keep a watering-trough on the northwest corner of West Broadway and North Moore 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.

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METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATORY

OF THE

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
CENTRAL PARK, NEW YORK.

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

ABSTRACT OF REGISTERS FROM SELF-RECORDING INSTRUMENTS,

For the Week ending November 29, 1884.

Barometer.

DATE. NOVEMBER.	7 A. M.		2 P. M.		9 P. M.		MEAN FOR THE DAY.		MAXIMUM.		MINIMUM.	
	Reduced to Freezing.	Time.	Reduced to Freezing.	Time.	Reduced to Freezing.	Time.	Reduced to Freezing.	Time.	Reduced to Freezing.	Time.	Reduced to Freezing.	Time.
Sunday, 23	30.090		29.795		29.398		29.761		30.214	0 A. M.	29.358	12 P. M.
Monday, 24	29.550		29.686		29.918		29.718		29.992	12 P. M.	29.358	0 A. M.
Tuesday, 25	30.010		29.908		29.708		29.875		30.052	9 A. M.	29.658	12 P. M.
Wednesday, 26	29.524		29.508		29.696		29.576		29.748	12 P. M.	29.508	2 P. M.
Thursday, 27	29.864		29.848		29.824		29.845		29.500	10 A. M.	29.748	0 A. M.
Friday, 28	29.798		29.638		29.404		29.613		29.814	0 A. M.	29.332	12 P. M.
Saturday, 29	29.332		29.716		29.946		29.664		29.984	12 P. M.	29.250	3 A. M.

Mean for the week..... 29.721 inches.
Maximum " at 0 A. M., November 23..... 30.214 "
Minimum " at 3 A. M., " 29..... 29.250 "
Range "964 "

Thermometers.

DATE. NOVEMBER.	7 A. M.		2 P. M.		9 P. M.		MEAN.		MAXIMUM.		MINIMUM.		MAXIMUM. In Sun.
	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	
Sunday, 23	51	48	60	55	61	56	57.3	53.0	61	9 P. M.	56	9 P. M.	75.
Monday, 24	45	40	40	34	29	26	38.0	33.3	58	0 A. M.	54	0 A. M.	90.
Tuesday, 25	24	22	32	28	39	36	31.6	28.6	42	12 P. M.	37	12 P. M.	57.
Wednesday, 26	43	38	44	37	33	30	40.0	35.0	44	1 P. M.	39	10 A. M.	67.
Thursday, 27	28	25	37	33	37	34	34.0	30.6	39	4 P. M.	35	12 P. M.	60.
Friday, 28	39	37	47	44	45	43	43.6	41.3	48	1 P. M.	45	1 P. M.	49.
Saturday, 29	43	41	41	37	36	33	40.0	37.0	45	0 A. M.	43	0 A. M.	88.

Dry Bulb. Wet Bulb.
Mean for the week..... 40.6 degrees..... 36.9 degrees.
Maximum for the week, at 9 P. M., 23d..... 61. " at 9 P. M., 23d..... 56. "
Minimum " at 6 A. M., 25th..... 24. " at 6 A. M., 25th..... 22. "
Range " " 37. " 34. "

Wind.

DATE. NOVEMBER.	DIRECTION.			VELOCITY IN MILES.				FORCE IN POUNDS PER SQUARE FOOT.				
	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	Distance for the Day.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	Max.	Time.
Sunday, 23....	SE	S	S	7	84	126	217	¼	4¾	20¾	20¾	9 P. M.
Monday, 24....	WNW	WNW	WNW	131	146	124	401	6	6	¼	11½	2.30 P. M.
Tuesday, 25....	W	SW	SSW	121	82	68	271	1	5	2¾	12¾	3.10 P. M.
Wednesday, 26....	SW	WNW	WNW	87	78	94	259	¾	6	2¾	7	0.15 A. M.
Thursday, 27....	WNW	WSW	ENE	111	58	11	180	½	0	0	8¾	11.30 A. M.
Friday, 28....	NNW	ESE	NNE	2	22	17	41	0	0	0	¼	0.40 P. M.
Saturday, 29....	NW	NW	NNW	58	126	67	251	2½	7¾	¼	10	1.10 P. M.

Distance traveled during the week..... 1,620 miles.
Maximum force " " 20¾ pounds.

DATE. NOVEMBER.	Hygrometer.						Clouds.			Rain and Snow.				
	FORCE OF VAPOR.			RELATIVE HUMIDITY.			CLEAR, O. OVERCAST, 10.			DEPTH OF RAIN AND SNOW IN INCHES.				
	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	Time of Beginning.	Time of Ending.	Duration. H. M.	Amount of Water.	Depth of Snow.
Sunday, 23	.296	.367	.383	79	71	71	8 Cir. Cu.	10	10	7 P. M.	12 P. M.	5.00	1.05	....
Monday, 24	.182	.118	.106	60	47	66	2 Cir. S.	3 Cir. Cu.	0	0 A. M.	2 A. M.	2.00	.20	....
Tuesday, 25	.095	.108	.173	74	59	72	0	10	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wedn'day, 26	.164	.129	.132	58	44	70	10	15	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thursday, 27	.100	.136	.157	65	62	71	10	10	8 Cir. Cu.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Friday, 28	.194	.249	.251	81	77	84	10	10	10	10.30 A. M.	12 P. M.	13.30	.60	....
Saturday, 29	.231	.168	.149	83	65	70	8 Cir. Cu.	4 Cir. S.	3 Cir. Cu.	0 A. M.	6.30 A. M.	6.30	.24	....

Total amount of water for the week..... 2.09 inch.
DANIEL DRAPER, Ph. D., Director.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

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

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Mayor's Office.

No. 6 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.
FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor; WILLIAM E. LUCAS, Secretary; AUGUSTUS WALSH, Chief Clerk.

Mayor's Marshal's Office.

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

Permit Bureau Office.

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

COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS.

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

AQUEDUCT COMMISSIONERS.

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

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Office of Clerk of Common Council.

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

City Library.

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Commissioner's Office.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
HUBERT O. THOMPSON, Commissioner; ———, Deputy Commissioner.

Bureau of Chief Engineer.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
GEORGE W. BIRDSALL, Chief Engineer.

Bureau of Water Register.

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

Bureau of Street Improvements.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
GEORGE A. JEREMIAH, Superintendent.

Engineer in Charge of Sewers.

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

Bureau of Repairs and Supplies.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
THOMAS H. McAVOY, Superintendent.

Bureau of Water Purveyor.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
DAVID L. SMITH, Water Purveyor.

Bureau of Lamps and Gas.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
STEPHEN McCORMICK, Superintendent.

Bureau of Streets.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
GEO. E. BABCOCK, Superintendent.

Bureau of Incumbrances.

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

Keeper of Buildings in City Hall Park.

MARTIN J. KEESSE, City Hall.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

Comptroller's Office.

No. 15 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller; RICHARD A. STORRS, Deputy Comptroller.

Auditing Bureau.

Nos. 19, 21, 23 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WM. J. LYON, Auditor of Accounts.
DAVID E. AUSTEN, Deputy Auditor.

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

No. 5 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
ARTEMAS S. CADY, Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears.

Bureau for the Collection of City Revenue and of Markets.

Nos. 1 and 3 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
FRANCIS TOMES, Collector of the City Revenue and Superintendent of Markets.

Bureau for the Collection of Taxes.

First floor Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park.
MARTIN T. McMAHON, Receiver of Taxes; ALFRED VREDENBURG, Deputy Receiver of Taxes.

Bureau of the City Chamberlain.

Nos. 25, 27 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
HENRY B. LAIDLAW, City Chamberlain.

Office of the City Paymaster.

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

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Office of the Counsel to the Corporation.

Staats Zeitung Building, third floor, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M. Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
E. HENRY LACOMBE, Counsel to the Corporation.
ANDREW T. CAMPBELL, Chief Clerk.

Office of the Public Administrator.

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

Office of the Corporation Attorney.

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

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Central Office.

No. 300 Mulberry street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
STEPHEN B. FRENCH, President; WILLIAM H. KIPP, Chief Clerk; JOHN J. O'BRIEN, Chief Bureau of Elections

DEPARTMENT OF CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

Central Office.

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

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Office hours for all except where otherwise noted from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Saturdays, to 3 P. M.

Headquarters.

Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street.
CORNELIUS VAN COTT, President; CARL JUSSEN, Secretary.

Bureau of Chief of Department.

CHARLES O. SHAY, Chief of Department.

Bureau of Inspector of Combustibles.

PETER SEERY, Inspector of Combustibles.

Bureau of Fire Marshal.

GEORGE H. SHELTON, Fire Marshal.

Bureau of Inspection of Buildings.

WM. P. ESTERBROOK, Inspector of Buildings.

Attorney to Department.

WM. L. FINDLEY, Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street.

Fire Alarm Telegraph.

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

Central Office Fire Alarm Telegraph open at all hours.

Repair Shops.

Nos. 128 and 130 West Third street.

JOHN CASTLES, Foreman-in-Charge, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.

Hospital Stables.

99th street, between 9th and 10th avenues.

JOSEPH SHEA, Foreman-in-Charge.

Open at all hours.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

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

ALEXANDER SHALER, President; EMMONS CLARK, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

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

JOHN D. CRIMMINS, President; EDWARD P. BARKER, Secretary.

Civil and Topographical Office.

Arsenal, 64th street and 5th avenue, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

Office of Superintendent of 23d and 24th Wards.

146th street and 3d avenue, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

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

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

Office hours from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. daily, except Saturdays; on Saturdays as follows: from September 15 to June 15, from 9 A. M. to 3 P. M.; from June 15 to September 15, from 9 A. M. to 12 M.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS

Staats Zeitung Building, Tryon Row, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Saturdays, 3 P. M.

THOMAS H. ASTEN, President; FLOYD T. SMITH, Secretary.

Office Bureau Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes

Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

CHARLES S. BEARDSLEY, Attorney; WILLIAM COMERFORD, Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING.

31 and 32 Park Row, "World" Building, Rooms and 9, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

JAMES S. COLEMAN, Commissioner; A. H. ROGERS, Deputy Commissioner; M. J. MORRISON, Chief Clerk.

MUNICIPAL CIVIL SERVICE ADVISORY AND EXAMINING BOARDS.

No. 23 East Twentieth street.

EVERETT P. WHEELER, Chairman of the Advisory Board; RUSSELL STURGIS, Secretary and Executive Officer.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS.

Office, City Hall, Room No. 11½, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

JOHN R. LYDECKER, Chairman; WM. H. JASPER, Secretary.

BOARD OF ENCISE.

Corner Bond street and Bowery, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

NICHOLAS HAUGHTON, President; JOHN K. PERLEY, Secretary and Chief Clerk.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

Nos. 3 and 4 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

ALEXANDER V. DAVIDSON, Sheriff; JOEL O. STEVENS, Under Sheriff; DAVID MCGONIGAL, Order Arrest Clerk.

REGISTER'S OFFICE.

East side City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

JOHN REILLY, Register; J. FAIRFAX McLAUGHLIN, Deputy Register.

COMMISSIONER OF JURORS.

No. 17 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

GEORGE CAULFIELD, Commissioner; JAMES E. CONNER, Deputy Commissioner.

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE.

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

PATRICK KEENAN, County Clerk; H. S. BEATTIE, Deputy County Clerk.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.

Second floor, Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

PETER B. OLNEY, District Attorney; HUGH DONNELLY, Chief Clerk.

THE CITY RECORD OFFICE,

And Bureau of Printing, Stationery, and Blank Books.

No. 2 City Hall, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M., except Saturdays, on which days 8 A. M. to 3 P. M.

THOMAS COSTIGAN, Supervisor; R. P. H. ABELL, Book-keeper.

CORONERS' OFFICE.

Nos. 13 and 15 Chatham street, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M. Sundays and Holidays, 8 A. M. to 12.30 P. M.

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

SUPREME COURT.

Second floor, New County Court-house, 10½ A. M. to 3 P. M.

General Term, Room No. 9.
Special Term, Room No. 10.
Chambers, Room No. 11.

Circuit, Part I., Room No. 12.
Circuit, Part II., Room No. 13.
Circuit, Part III., Room No. 14.

Judges' Private Chambers, Room No. 15.

NOAH DAVIS, Chief Justice; PATRICK KEENAN, Clerk.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Third floor, New County Court-house, 11 A. M.
General Term, Room No. 35.
Special Term, Room No. 33.
Chambers, Room No. 33, 10 A. M.
Part I., Room No. 34.
Part II., Room No. 35.
Part III., Room No. 36.
Judges' Private Chambers, Room No. 30.
Naturalization Bureau, Room No. 32.
Clerk's Office, Room No. 31, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN SEDGWICK, Chief Judge; THOMAS BOESE, Chief Clerk.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

Third floor, New County Court-house, 11 A. M.
Assignment Bureau, Room No. 23, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Clerk's Office, Room No. 22, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
General Term, Room No. 24, 11 o'clock A. M. to adjournment.
Special Term, Room No. 21, 11 o'clock A. M. to adjournment.
Chambers, Room No. 21, 10.30 o'clock A. M. to adjournment.

Part I., Room No. 25, 11 o'clock A. M. to adjournment.
Part II., Room No. 26, 11 o'clock A. M. to adjournment.
Part III., Room No. 27, 11 o'clock A. M. to adjournment.
Naturalization Bureau, Room No. 23, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
CHARLES P. DALY, Chief Justice; NATHANIEL JARVIS, Jr., Chief Clerk.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

No. 32 Chambers street. Parts I. and II. Court opens at 11 o'clock A. M.
FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder; HENRY A. GILDER-SLEEVE and RUFUS B. COWING, Judges of the said Court. Terms, first Monday each month.
JOHN SPARKS, Clerk. Office, Room No. 11, 10 A. M. till P. M.

CITY COURT.—CITY HALL.

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

OVER AND TERMINER COURT.

New County Court-house, second floor, southeast corner. Room No. 13. Court opens at 10½ o'clock A. M.
Clerk's Office, Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park, second floor, northwest corner, Room No. 11, 10 A. M. till 4 P. M.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS.

At Tombs, corner Franklin and Centre streets, Daily at 10.30 A. M., excepting Saturday.
Clerk's Office, Tombs.

DISTRICT CIVIL COURTS

First District—First, Second, Third, and Fifth Wards, southwest corner of Centre and Chambers streets.
MICHAEL NORTON, Justice.
Clerk's office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Second District—Fourth, Sixth, and Fourteenth Wards corner of Pearl and Centre streets, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
CHARLES M. CLANCY, Justice.

Third District—Ninth and Fifteenth Wards, southwest corner Fifth avenue and West Tenth street. Court open daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted) from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

GEORGE W. PARKER, Justice.

Fourth District—Tenth and Seventeenth Wards, No. 30 First street, cor Second avenue. Court opens, 9 A. M. daily; continues to close of business.
ALFRED STECKLER, Justice.

Fifth District—Seventh, Eleventh, and Thirteenth Wards, No. 154 Clinton street.
JOHN H. MCCARTHY, Justice.

Sixth District—Eighteenth and Twenty-first Wards No. 6 Union Place, Fourth avenue, southwest corner of Eighteenth street. Court opens 9 A. M. daily; continues to close of business.

WILLIAM H. KELLY, Justice.

Seventh District—Nineteenth and Twenty-second Wards, No. 151 East Fifty-seventh street. Court open every morning at 9 o'clock (except Sundays and legal holidays), and continues to the close of business.

AMROSE MONELL, Justice.

Eighth District—Sixteenth and Twentieth Wards, southwest corner of Twenty-second street and Seventh avenue. Court opens at 9 A. M. and continues to close of business. Clerk's office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. each court day.

FREDERICK G. GEDNEY, Justice.

Ninth District—Twelfth Ward, No. 225 East One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street.
HENRY P. MCGOWN, Justice.

Clerk's office open daily from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Trial days Tuesdays and Fridays; Court opens at 9½ A. M.

Tenth District—Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, corner of Third avenue and One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street.
Office hours, from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Court opens at 9 A. M.

JAMES R. ANGELL, Justice.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS

CITY OF NEW YORK,

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,

36 UNION SQUARE,

December 3, 1884.

PROPERTY-OWNERS INTERESTED IN THE grades proposed to be established for Riverdale avenue, from old Riverdale avenue commencing at Tibbet's Brook and running to Broadway; Broadway, from Riverdale avenue to Weber street; Church street, from Riverdale avenue to Weber street; Ackerman street, from Riverdale avenue to the Spuyten Duyvil and Port Morris Railroad, and other streets affected thereby at Kingsbridge, in the Spuyten Duyvil District of the Twenty-fourth Ward, are requested to call at the office of the Topographical Engineer of the Department of Public Parks, at the Arsenal building, Sixty-fourth street and Fifth avenue, Central Park, on or before Tuesday, December 16, 1884, and examine the plan showing such proposed grades and file any objections they may have thereto, before final action is taken by the Department in relation to the same.

By order of the Department of Public Parks.
E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK,
OFFICE OF THE PROPERTY CLERK (Room No. 39),
No. 300 MULBERRY STREET,
NEW YORK, 1884.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY Clerk of the Police Department of the City of New York, No. 300 Mulberry street, Room No. 39, for the following property, now in his custody, without claimants: Boots, 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

BOARD OF STREET OPENING AND IMPROVEMENT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, IN ACCORD-ance with the provisions of chapter 453 of the Laws of 1884, and of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, and of all other provisions of law relating thereto, that the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York deem it to be for the public interest to alter and change the grades of streets and avenues, and portions of streets and avenues, in order to adjust the grades thereof to the grade of Eighth avenue within that section of the City of New York bounded on the south by the northerly line of Fifty-ninth street, on the north by One Hundred and Twenty-third street, on the east by the westerly side of the Central Park and the westerly side of Seventh avenue, and on the west by the easterly side of Ninth avenue, in the following-described manner, viz.:

That the grade of Sixty-seventh street, on the westerly line of Eighth avenue, shall be at an elevation of 80 feet 2½ inches, and extend in a straight line to the easterly line of Ninth avenue, elevation 76 feet 10 inches.

That the grade of Sixty-eighth street, on the westerly line of Eighth avenue, shall be at an elevation of 84 feet 1½ inches, and extend in a straight line to the easterly line of Ninth avenue, elevation 79 feet 2 inches.

That the grade of Sixty-ninth street, on the westerly line of Eighth avenue, shall be at an elevation of 88 feet, and extend in a straight line to the easterly line of Ninth avenue, elevation 82 feet.

That the grade of Seventieth street, on the westerly line of Eighth avenue, shall be at an elevation of 88 feet, and extend in a straight line to the easterly line of Ninth avenue, elevation 84 feet.

That the grade of Seventy-first street, on the westerly line of Eighth avenue, shall be at an elevation of 88 feet, and extend in a straight line to the easterly line of Ninth avenue, elevation 84 feet.

That the grade of Seventy-second street, on the westerly line of Eighth avenue, shall be at an elevation of 88 feet, and extend in a straight line to the easterly line of Ninth avenue, elevation 84 feet.

That the grade of Seventy-third street, on the westerly line of Eighth avenue, shall be at an elevation of 88 feet, and extend in a straight line to the easterly line of Ninth avenue, elevation 84 feet.

That the grade

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,
NEW YORK, November 22, 1884.

TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING THE materials and labor, and doing the work required for constructing a house for the Fire Department, to be erected on Old Slip, between Front and Water streets, for Hook and Ladder Company No. 15, will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head of the Fire Department, at the office of said Department, Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street, in the City of New York, until 11 o'clock A. M., Thursday, December 11, 1884, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read.

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

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

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

The damages to be paid by the contractor for each day that the contract may be unfulfilled after the time specified for the completion thereof shall have expired, are, by a clause in the contract, fixed and liquidated at twenty-five (\$25) dollars per day.

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

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

The Fire Department reserves the right to decline any and all bids or estimates it 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, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance in the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000); and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting; the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety, or otherwise; and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by law. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered is to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York before the award is made, and prior to the signing of the contract.

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the national banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money, to the amount of seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750). Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the Estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York, as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

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

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

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

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

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

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

By order of

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

CARL JUSSEN,
Secretary.

THE CITY RECORD.

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

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 1762, No. 1. Regulating and grading, setting curb and flagging in Eighty-first street, from the Boulevard to Riverside Drive.

List 1839, No. 2. Regulating and grading, setting curb and flagging One Hundred and Fifty-third street, from Tenth avenue to the Boulevard.

List 1924, No. 3. Sewer in Lexington avenue, between Eighty-fifth and Eighty-sixth streets.

List 1934, No. 4. Sewer in Avenue A, between Ninety-second street and Harlem river.

List 1949, No. 5. Sewer in Ninety-second street, between Avenue A and First avenue.

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

No. 1. Both sides of Eighty-first street, from the Boulevard to Riverside Drive.

No. 2. Both sides of One Hundred and Fifty-third street, from Tenth avenue to the Boulevard.

No. 3. Both sides of Lexington avenue, between Eighty-fifth and Eighty-sixth streets.

No. 4. East side of First avenue and west side of Avenue A, between Ninety-second and Ninety-third streets; also, south side of Ninety-third street, between Avenue A and First avenue.

No. 5. Both sides of Ninety-second street, from Avenue A to First avenue.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections in writing to the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 11 1/2 City Hall, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

The above-described lists will be transmitted, as provided by law, to the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments for confirmation, on the 31st of December ensuing.

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

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS,
No. 11 1/2 CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, November 29, 1884.

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 1871, No. 1. Sewer in Sixth avenue, east side, between Fifty-third and Fifty-fourth streets.

List 1910, No. 2. Paving One Hundred and Eleventh street, from First to Second avenues.

List 1936, No. 3. Sewer in Seventy-third street, between First and Third avenues.

List 1954, No. 4. Alteration and improvement to sewer in Fifth avenue, between Fifty-ninth and Sixtieth streets.

List 1968, No. 5. Sewer in Beekman street, between Water and Sixth streets.

List 1978, No. 6. Sewer in Seventieth street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues, from end of present sewer west of Ninth avenue.

List 1995, No. 7. Sewer in West Tenth street, between Greenwich and Sixth avenues.

List 2029, No. 8. Sewer in Fifty-sixth street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues.

List 2053, No. 9. Flagging sidewalks on westerly side First avenue, between Fifty-sixth and Sixty-fourth streets, and on the easterly side First avenue, between Fifty-ninth and Sixtieth streets and between Sixty-fourth and Sixty-fifth streets, where there is now only one foot curb course of flagging.

List 2082, No. 10. Receiving-basins west side Eighth avenue, between Seventy-seventh and Eighty-first streets.

List 2084, No. 11. Sewer in One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, between Eighth avenue and Avenue St. Nicholas.

List 2086, No. 12. Flagging One Hundred and Nineteenth street, from Seventh to Eighth avenues.

List 2087, No. 13. Sewer in One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, between Eighth avenue and Avenue St. Nicholas.

List 2094, No. 14. Flagging both sides of Sixty-Eighth street, between First and Second avenues.

List 2095, No. 15. Flagging both sides Eleventh avenue, between Fifty-eighth and Fifty-ninth streets, and on the north side Fifty-eighth street, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues.

List 2099, No. 16. Sewer in Spring street, between Broadway and Mercer street.

List 2100, No. 17. Flagging sidewalks east side of Fifth avenue, from Sixty-sixth street to Sixty-seventh street, and north side Sixty-sixth street, from Fifth to Madison avenues.

List 2101, No. 18. Flagging east side of Fifth avenue, from Sixty-seventh to Sixty-eighth streets, and on the south side Sixty-eighth street, from Madison to Fifth avenues.

List No. 2102, No. 19. Flagging both sides of One Hundred and Eighteenth street, from First to Second avenues.

List 2103, No. 20. Sewer in One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street, between Eighth avenue and Avenue St. Nicholas.

List 2104, No. 21. Sewer in Third avenue, east side, between Eighty-eighth and Eighty-ninth streets.

List 2105, No. 22. Sewer in Front street, between Broad and Whitehall streets.

List 2106, No. 23. Receiving-basins on the northeast and southeast corners of Avenue A and Fourteenth street, and on the southeast corner of Goerck and Stanton streets.

List 2107, No. 24. Paving Eighty-ninth street, from Avenue A to Avenue B.

List 2109, No. 25. Receiving-basin and sewer connection on the northeast corner of Alexander avenue and One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street.

List 2111, No. 26. Sewer and appurtenances in One Hundred and Forty-sixth street, between Brook and St. Ann's avenues, with branch in St. Ann's avenue, between One Hundred and Forty-sixth and One Hundred and Forty-seventh streets.

List 2112, No. 27. Sewer and appurtenances in Washington avenue, between East One Hundred and Sixty-ninth and East One Hundred and Seventieth streets.

List 2113, No. 28. Flagging sidewalk and setting curb and gutter stones, and laying crosswalk on the southerly side of One Hundred and Fifty-first street, from Courtland to Morris avenues.

List 2117, No. 29. Sewer in Fifth avenue, east side, between Thirtieth and Fourteenth streets.

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

No. 1. East side Sixth avenue, between Fifty-third and Fifty-fourth streets.

No. 2. Both sides of One Hundred and Eleventh street, from First to Second avenues, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 3. Both sides of Seventy-third street, from First to Third avenues.

No. 4. East side Fifth avenue, between Fifty-ninth and Sixtieth streets.

No. 5. Both sides of Beekman street, between Water and Sixth streets.

No. 6. Both sides of Seventieth street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues, and the lots situated on the north-west and southwest corners of Ninth avenue and Seventieth street.

No. 7. Both sides of West Tenth street, between Greenwich and Sixth avenues, including property situated on both sides of Patchin place.

No. 8. Both sides of Fifty-sixth street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues.

No. 9. West side of First avenue, between Sixty-third and Sixty-fourth streets; east side First avenue, between

Sixty-fourth and Sixty-fifth streets; west side First avenue, between Fifty-eighth and Fifty-ninth streets; east side First avenue, between Fifty-ninth and Sixtieth streets, and west side First avenue, between Sixty-first and Sixty-second streets, and west side First avenue, between Fifty-sixth and Fifty-eighth streets.

No. 10. Manhattan Square.

No. 11. Both sides of One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, between Eighth avenue and Avenue St. Nicholas.

No. 12. Both sides of One Hundred and Nineteenth street, from Seventh to Eighth avenues.

No. 13. Both sides of One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, from Eighth avenue to Avenue St. Nicholas.

No. 14. Both sides of Sixty-eighth street, from First to Second avenues.

No. 15. Both sides of Eleventh avenue, between Fifty-eighth and Fifty-ninth streets; and on the north side of Fifty-eighth street, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues.

No. 16. Both sides of Spring street, between Broadway and Mercer street.

No. 17. East side of Fifth avenue, between Sixty-sixth and Sixty-seventh streets; and north side of Sixty-sixth street, from Fifth to Madison avenues.

No. 18. East side of Fifth avenue, from Sixty-seventh to Sixty-eighth streets; and south side of Sixty-eighth street, from Madison to Fifth avenues.

No. 19. Both sides of One Hundred and Eighteenth street, from First to Second avenues.

No. 20. Both sides of One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street, between Eighth avenue and Avenue St. Nicholas; also, west side of Avenue St. Nicholas, from centre line of One Hundred and Twenty-eighth to the centre line of One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street.

No. 21. East side of Third avenue, between Eighty-eighth and Eighty-ninth streets.

No. 22. Both sides of Front street, between Broad and Whitehall streets.

No. 23. East side of Avenue A, between Thirteenth and Fifteenth streets; also, east side of Goerck street, extending 260 feet south of Stanton street.

No. 24. Both sides of Eighty-ninth street, from Avenue A to Avenue B, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 25. North side of One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street, from Willis to Alexander avenues, and east side of Alexander avenue, between One Hundred and Thirty-sixth and One Hundred and Thirty-seventh streets.

No. 26. Both sides of One Hundred and Forty-sixth street, between Brook and St. Ann's avenues, and west side of St. Ann's avenue, between One Hundred and Forty-sixth and One Hundred and Forty-seventh streets.

No. 27. Both sides of Washington avenue, between One Hundred and Sixty-ninth and One Hundred and Seventieth streets.

No. 28. South side of One Hundred and Fifty-first street, from Courtland to Morris avenues.

No. 29. East side of Fifth avenue, between Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections in writing to the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 11 1/2 City Hall, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

The above-described lists will be transmitted, as provided by law, to the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments for confirmation, on the 26th of December ensuing.

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

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS,
No. 11 1/2 CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, November 22, 1884.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 31 CHAMBERS ST.,
NEW YORK, Dec. 1, 1884.

NOTICE OF SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION.

ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1884, AT 11 o'clock A. M., the Department of Public Works will sell at public auction, by Van Tassel & Kearney, auctioneers, as follows, viz.:

AT CORPORATION YARD, FOOT OF TWENTY-FOURTH STREET, EAST RIVER.

About 25 tons of Scrap Cast Iron, also 2 Horses.

AT CORPORATION YARD, RIVINGTON STREET,

About 35 tons Old Iron.

TERMS OF SALE.

Cash payments in bankable funds at the time and place of sale and the immediate removal of the articles purchased.

HUBERT O. THOMPSON,
Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
ROOM 6, No. 31 CHAMBERS STREET,
NEW YORK, November 29, 1884.

TO CONTRACTORS.

BIDS OR ESTIMATES, INCLOSED IN A sealed envelope, with the title of the work and the name of the bidder indorsed thereon, also the number of the work as in the advertisement, will be received at this office until Friday, December 12, 1884, at 12 o'clock M., at which place and hour they will be publicly opened by the head of the Department and read, for the following:

No. 1. SEWERS IN SIXTY-SEVENTH, SIXTY-EIGHTH AND SIXTY-NINTH STREETS, between West End avenue and land of the New York Central & Hudson River Railroad.

No. 2. SEWER IN NINETY-FIFTH STREET, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.

No. 3. SEWERS IN NINETY-SEVENTH STREET, between Boulevard and Riverside avenue.

No. 4. SEWER IN ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH STREET, between Boulevard and summit east.

No. 5. SEWERS IN ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH STREET, between summits east and west of Tenth avenue.

No. 6. SEWERS IN ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTEENTH STREET, between Fifth and Sixth avenues; in AVENUE ST. NICHOLAS, between One Hundred and Sixteenth and One Hundred and Seventeenth streets; and in ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTEENTH STREET, between Avenue St. Nicholas and Eighth avenue.

No. 7. SEWER IN ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SEVENTH STREET, between Seventh and Eighth avenues.

No. 8. RECEIVING BASINS on the northwest and southwest corners of ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST STREET AND THIRD AVENUE, and on the northeast, northwest, southeast and southwest corners of ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH STREET AND FOURTH AVENUE.

No. 9. REGULATING AND GRADING NEW AVENUE, first east of and generally parallel with Ninth avenue, or St. Nicholas place, from One Hundred and Forty-fifth street to St. Nicholas place, setting curb-stones, flagging sidewalks, and constructing retaining wall and drain-pipes therein.

Each estimate must contain the name and place of residence of the person making the same, the names of all persons interested with him 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 work, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. 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 in the estimate or in the work to which it relates or in the profits thereof.

Each estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party making the same, that the several matters therein stated are true, and must be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, to the effect that if the contract is awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, upon its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance; and that if he shall refuse or neglect to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled upon its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person to whom the contract shall be awarded at any subsequent letting; the amount to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested.

The consent last above mentioned must be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of the contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety, or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as surety in good faith, with the intention to execute the bond required by law.

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the national banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money, to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. 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 neglect or refuse, 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 be 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.

THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS RECEIVED FOR ANY PARTICULAR WORK IF HE DEEMS IT FOR THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CITY.

Blank forms of bid or estimate, the proper envelopes in which to inclose the same, the specifications and agreements, and any further information desired, can be obtained for sewers, at Room 8; for regulating and grading, at Room 5, No. 31 Chambers street.

HUBERT O. THOMPSON,
Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
ROOM 6, No. 31 CHAMBERS STREET,
NEW YORK, Nov. 25, 1884.

TO CONTRACTORS.

BIDS OR ESTIMATES, INCLOSED IN A SEALED envelope, with the title of the work and the name of the bidder indorsed thereon, also the number of the work as in the advertisement, will be received at this office until Tuesday, December 9, 1884, at 12 o'clock M., at which place and hour they will be publicly opened by the head of the Department and read for the following:

No. 1. SEWER IN FOURTH AVENUE, east side, between Fifty-fourth and Fifty-fifth streets.

No. 2. SEWERS IN EIGHTH AVENUE, between One Hundred and Fifth and One Hundred and Fourteenth streets, with connection to existing sewer in One Hundred and Tenth street, east of Eighth avenue.

No. 3. SEWERS IN NINETY-SECOND STREET, between Ninth avenue and Boulevard, AND IN TENTH AVENUE east and west sides, between Ninety-second and Ninety-third streets.

No. 4. SEWERS IN ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SIXTH AND ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SEVENTH STREETS, between Tenth avenue and Kingsbridge road, AND IN KINGSBRIDGE ROAD, between One Hundred and Fifty-sixth and One Hundred and Sixty-second streets.

No. 5. REGULATING AND GRADING ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTEENTH STREET, from Fourth to Eighth avenue, and setting curb-stones and flagging sidewalks therein.

Each estimate must contain the name and place of residence of the person making the same, the names of all persons interested with him 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 work, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. 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 in the estimate or in the work to which it relates or in the profits thereof.

Each estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party making the same, that the several matters therein stated are true, and must be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, to the effect that if the contract is awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, upon its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance; and that if he shall refuse or neglect to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled upon its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person to whom the contract shall be awarded at any subsequent letting; the amount to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested.

The consent last above mentioned must be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of the contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as surety in good faith, with the intention to execute the bond required by law.

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the national banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money, to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. 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 neglect or refuse, 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 be 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.

THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS

RECEIVED FOR ANY PARTICULAR WORK IF HE DEEMS IT FOR THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CITY.

Blank forms of bid or estimate, the proper envelopes in which to inclose the same, the specifications and agreements, and any further information desired, can be obtained for sewers, at Room 8, for regulating and grading, at Room 5, No. 31 Chambers street.

HUBERT O. THOMPSON,
Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
No. 31 CHAMBERS STREET,
New York, November 22, 1884.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT a petition of the property-owners, with map and plan for changing the grade of "Fifty-fifth street, from Avenue A to East river," is now pending before the Common Council.

All persons interested in the above change of grade, and having objections thereto, are requested to present the same in writing to the undersigned at his office on or before the 6th day of December, 1884.

The maps showing the present and proposed grades can be seen at Room 7, No. 31 Chambers street.

HUBERT O. THOMPSON,
Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
No. 31 CHAMBERS STREET,
New York, Nov. 1, 1884.

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

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

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

It becomes my duty to state that on and after the first day of April, 1885, all extra charges, such as steam-engines, bakeries, barbers, bathing-tubs, boarding-houses, boarding-schools, building purposes, horses, horse-troughs, hotels, porter-houses, taverns, etc., printing offices, shoe cutting or dressing, slaughter-houses, dyeing, water-closets and urinals, laundries, restaurants, soda fountains, extra families, oyster and coffee saloons, water by meter measurement, meters and meter setting, and all other purposes for which the use of Croton water is chargeable according to law, are liens, and unless paid on or before the 30th day of April next must be returned to the Clerk of Aiders, with the amount due on each lot.

HUBERT O. THOMPSON,
Commissioner of Public Works.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED at the Hall of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, by the Committee on Normal College, until 4 o'clock P. M. on Thursday, the 18th day of December, 1884, for altering the iron railing, granite coping, flagging, etc., around the Normal College buildings, on Sixty-eighth and Sixty-ninth streets, Lexington and Fourth avenues.

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

The party submitting a proposal, and the parties proposing to become sureties, must each write his name, place of residence and place of business on said proposal. Two responsible and approved sureties, residents of this city, are required in all cases.

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

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

WILLIAM WOOD,
ISAAC BELL,
GILBERT H. CRAWFORD,
EUGENE KELLY,
GUSTAV SCHWAB,
Committee on Normal College.

Dated New York, December 4, 1884.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED at the Hall of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, by the School Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, until 5½ o'clock A. M. on Wednesday, the 17th day of December, 1884, for Furniture for Grammar School No. 57, on East One Hundred and Fifteenth street, between Third and Lexington avenues.

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

The party submitting a proposal and the parties proposing to become sureties must each write his name, place of residence, and place of business on said proposal. Two responsible and approved sureties, residents of this city, are required in all cases.

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

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

ANDREW L. SOULARD,
CHARLES CRARY,
JOHN WHALEN,
G. W. DEBEVOISE,
DAVID H. KNAPP,
Board of School Trustees, Twelfth Ward.

Dated New York, December 3, 1884.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED by the School Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, at the Hall of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, until Tuesday, December 16, 1884, and until 4 o'clock P. M. on said day, for the erection of a new school-house on the south side of West Thirty-sixth street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues (branch of Grammar School No. 32).

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

Proposals will be received only for the entire work and materials required for the erection of the building, and must be indorsed, "Proposals for the Erection of a School-house on West Thirty-sixth street, in the Twentieth Ward."

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

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

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

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

THOMAS MAHER,
JOHN H. TIEJEN,
LEROY CLARK,
JAMES J. THOMSON,
GEORGE A. JONES,
Board of School Trustees, Twentieth Ward.

Dated New York, December 1, 1884.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED at the Hall of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, by the School Trustees of the Twenty-fourth Ward, until 4 o'clock P. M. on Monday, the 15th day of December, 1884, for new Water-closets at Grammar School-house No. 63, on Third Avenue, near One Hundred and Seventy-third street.

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

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

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

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

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

SAMUEL L. PURDY,
WARREN C. CRANE,
FREDERICK MEYER,
FREDERICK FOLZ,
WM. MEIKLEHAM,
Board of School Trustees, Twenty-fourth Ward.

Dated New York, December 1, 1884.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED by the School Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, at the Hall of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, until Thursday, the 11th day of December, 1884, and until 4 o'clock P. M. on said day, for erecting an Addition to Grammar School-house No. 43, on the north side of West One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street.

Proposals will be received only for the entire work and materials required for the erection of the building, and must be indorsed "Proposals for the Erection of a School-house on West One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, in the Twelfth Ward."

Sealed proposals will also be received at the same place and time for iron stairways, etc., at Grammar School-house No. 57, on East One Hundred and Fifteenth street, between Third and Lexington avenues.

Sealed proposals will also be received at the same place and time for alterations at Grammar School-house No. 68, on West One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues.

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

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

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

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

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

ANDREW L. SOULARD,
DAVID H. KNAPP,
CHARLES CRARY,
JOHN WHALEN,
G. W. DEBEVOISE,
Board of School Trustees, Twelfth Ward.

Dated New York, November 26, 1884.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED at the Hall of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, by the School Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, until 9½ o'clock A. M. on Thursday, the 11th day of December, 1884, for Iron Stairways at Primary Department Grammar School-house No. 60, on Courtland avenue, near One Hundred and Forty-eighth street.

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

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

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

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

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

WILLIAM HOGG,
A. FAHS,
L. A. FULLGRAFF,
SAMUEL SAMUELS,
WILLIAM R. BEAL,
Board of School Trustees, Twenty-third Ward.

Dated, New York, November 26, 1884.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED at the office of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, until MONDAY, the 8th day of December, 1884, at 4 P. M., for supplying for the use of the schools under the jurisdiction of said Board, books, stationery, and other articles required for one year, commencing on the 1st day of January, 1885. City and country publishers of books, and dealers in the various articles required, are notified that preference will be given to the bids of principals, the Committee being desirous that commissions, if any, shall be deducted from the price of the articles bid for. A sample of each article must accompany the bid. A list of articles required, with the conditions upon which bids will be received, may be obtained on application to the Clerk of the Board. Each proposal must be addressed to the Committee on Supplies, and indorsed "Proposals for Supplies." The Committee reserve the right to reject any bid if deemed for the public interest.

Dated New York, November 22, 1884.

EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,
FREDERICK W. DEVOE,
HOSIA B. PERKINS,
HENRY SCHMITT,
DAVID WETMORE,
Committee on Supplies.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED at the office of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, until MONDAY, the 8th day of December, 1884, at 4 P. M., for printing required by the said Board for the year 1885. Samples of the various documents, etc., required to be printed, may be seen at the office of the Clerk of the Board, where blank forms of proposals may also be obtained. Each proposal must be addressed to the Committee on Supplies, and indorsed "Proposals for Printing." Two sureties, satisfactory to said Committee, will be required for the faithful performance of the contract. The Committee reserve the right to reject any bid if deemed for the public interest.

Dated, New York, November 22, 1884.

EDWARD J. H. TAMSEN,
FREDERICK W. DEVOE,
HOSIA B. PERKINS,
HENRY SCHMITT,
DAVID WETMORE,
Committee on Supplies.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

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

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR GROCER

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR ing

GROCERIES.

5,000 pounds Dairy Butter; sample on exhibition Friday, December 5, 1884.
500 pounds best quality kettle rendered Leaf Lard.
2,700 pounds Rio Coffee.
4,000 pounds Hominy (including packages).
2,000 pounds Granulated Sugar.
1,000 pounds Crushed Sugar.
1,500 pounds Coffee Sugar.
12,000 pounds Hard Soap.
1,200 pounds Chicory.
33,000 Fresh Eggs, all to be candled.
500 barrels good, sound Irish Potatoes, to weigh 168 pounds net per barrel, to be delivered at Blackwell's Island.
50 barrels Crackers.
10 barrels Vinegar.
12 dozen Sea Foam.
20 dozen Canned Corn, 2 pounds.
20 dozen Canned Peaches, 3 pounds.
8 dozen Canned Peas, 2 pounds.
12 dozen Canned Peas, 3 pounds.
100 quinsals prime quality Grand Bank Codfish, to average not less than 5 pounds, to be delivered as required in boxes of four quinsals each.
700 gallons Molasses.
100 bags Coarse Meal (100 pounds each).
100 bags Bran (50 pounds each).

—will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities and Correction, in the City of New York, until 9.30 o'clock A. M., of Saturday, December 6, 1884. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Groceries," with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President of said Department and read.

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

No bid or estimate will be accepted from, or a contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

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

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

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

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same; the names of all persons interested with him or them therein; and if no other person be so interested, it shall distinctly state that fact; also that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; and that no member of the Common Council, Head of a Department, Chief of a Bureau, Deputy thereof or Clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or 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 for the successful working of the said Plan or system for the period of six months from the date of the completion thereof; 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 upon the completion 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 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 him or their bid or proposal, or if he or they accept but do not execute the contract and give the proper security, he or they shall be considered as having abandoned it and as in default to the Corporation, and the contract will be readvertised and relet as provided by law.

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

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

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

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

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the speci-

fications will be allowed, unless under the written instruction of the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction.

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

Dated New York, November 24, 1884.

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

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

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR THE EQUIPMENT OF AN INCANDESCENT ELECTRIC LIGHT PLANT ON WARD'S ISLAND

will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities and Correction, No. 66 Third Avenue, in the City of New York, until 9.30 o'clock A. M., of Friday, December 12, 1884. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Electric Light on Ward's Island," and with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President of said Department and read.

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

No bid or estimate will be accepted from, or a contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

Each bidder must give the location and state the name of the purchaser where an Incandescent Electric Light Plant of the system bid for has been in successful operation for six months or more prior to the date of his bid. If the Plant designated in said bid shall not be deemed satisfactory by the Board of Public Charities and Correction, the bid will be rejected.

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

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 and guarantee the successful working of the Plant and system accepted, for six months after the completion of the contract for the equipment of said Plant or system, by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, each in the penal amount of ten thousand (\$10,000) dollars.

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same; the names of all persons interested with him or them therein; and if no other person be so interested, it shall distinctly state that fact; also that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; and that no member of the Common Council, Head of a Department, Chief of a Bureau, deputy thereof or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or to the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance and for the successful working of the said Plan or system for the period of six months from the date of the completion thereof; 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 upon the completion 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 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 him or their bid or proposal, or if he or they accept but do not execute the contract and give the proper security, he or they shall be considered as having abandoned it, and as in default to the Corporation; and the contract will be readvertised and relet as provided by law.

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

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

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

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

Dated New York, November 17, 1884.

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

S. HASTINGS GRANT,
Comptroller.