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LAW DEPARTMENT.

LAW DEPARTMENT—OFFICE OF THE
COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, July 20, 1874.

Hon. HENRY G. STEBBINS,

President of the Department of Public Parks.

SIR—Your letter of the 6th instant to the Counsel to the Corporation was duly received.

You state that, at a meeting of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, held June 29, 1874, the estimates for the maintenance of parks and places, which had been fixed on the 13th September last for the year, were considered and reduced, and the appropriation finally made in the following terms, namely:

"The Department of Public Parks—

"Maintenance and government of parks and places, including the sum of \$30,000 for the keeping, preservation, and exhibition of the collections in the American Museum of Natural History and the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and including the entire salaries of the President, clerks, officers, and employees, other than foremen of laborers.....	\$450,000 00
"Observatory, Museum, and Gallery of Art.....	15,000 00
"Harlem river bridges—Maintenance of.....	15,000 00
"Independence Day—Celebration of.....	10,000 00
"Sea-wall, Battery—Repair of.....	7,500 00
"Supplies of gas—Department of Public Parks, 1872 and 1873.....	58,000 00
"Maintenance and government of public places, streets, roads, and avenues, etc., Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.....	40,000 00

\$595,000 00"

You state that as President of the Department of Parks you thereupon requested an explanation of the directions contained in such appropriation from the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, but that up to the date of your letter to the Counsel to the Corporation you had received no reply; that the operations of your Department will not wait, but that before proceeding to reduce the expenses of the Department by discharging its employees and the discontinuance of all the works of construction, the Commissioners governing your Department have instructed you to call the attention of the Counsel to the Corporation to the facts of the case, and procure his opinion whether the Board of Estimate and Apportionment has a legal right to impose upon the Department of Public Parks the restrictions contained in the appropriation, and particularly that contained in the following words: "And including the entire salaries of the President, clerks, officers, and employees, other than foremen of laborers."

I have deferred answering your letter until now, hoping that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, in compliance with your request, would make some explanation in reference to the appropriation for your Department, which would obviate the necessity of a reply to your letter to the Counsel to the Corporation. I understand that you are still without any response to your several communications to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment; that the officers and employees of your Department have not been paid for the month of June last, and that you await the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation before deciding whether to discontinue for the

rest of the year all work of construction in the various parks.

The Charter of 1873, in the section relating to the Law Department, contains the following provision: "No officer or Department, except as herein otherwise provided, shall have or employ any attorney or counsel, but it shall be the duty of the Law Department to furnish to every Department and officer such advice and legal assistance as counsel or attorney, in or out of Court, as may be required by such officer or Department."

As this provision of the charter makes the Counsel to the Corporation the legal advisor of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment as well as of the Department of Public Parks, and as it is far more agreeable to the Law Department, and more satisfactory to the officials who are interested, that questions arising between the different departments and boards of the city government should be passed upon by the courts rather than by the Counsel to the Corporation, I should have much preferred that the question which has arisen as to the power of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment in making appropriations for your department should have been disposed of without an opinion from this department in relation to it. There seems to be, however, no way of obtaining a speedy decision by the courts, and as it is impossible for you, under the provisions of the charter above cited, to base your official action on the advice of any counsel other than the head of the Law Department, it becomes my imperative duty under the circumstances, in the temporary absence of the Counsel to the Corporation, to answer your letter to him without further delay.

The permanent powers of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment are derived from, and its permanent duties are defined by, the following statutes, namely: chapter 573 of the Laws of 1871, and chapters 335 and 779 of the Laws of 1873. Under these laws, since the passage of the act consolidating the city and county governments, the duty is devolved upon the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of annually preparing a "provisional estimate" of the amounts required to pay the expenses of conducting the public business of the City and County of New York. This estimate is to be submitted to the Board of Aldermen, and the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, after considering the objections and rectifications (if any are made) of the Aldermen, is to make and sign a "final estimate," which is to be certified by the Comptroller to the Board of Supervisors, who are "empowered and directed annually to cause to be raised, according to law, and collected by tax upon the estates, real and personal, subject to taxation within the City and County of New York, the said amounts so estimated and certified."

In compliance with these laws, estimates were duly made, in December last, of the amounts necessary for city and county purposes in the year 1874. Chapters 303 and 308, of the Laws of this year, authorized the Board to reconsider, revise, and redetermine such estimates; and, the city and county governments having been consolidated, the Board has combined the two estimates heretofore prepared, and made one revised estimate for the year 1874.

It will be seen, by an examination of the various statutes conferring powers and devolving duties upon the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, that in regard to a large portion of the amounts to be included in the estimate, the Board has no discretion, while in regard to the balance, its powers are almost unlimited.

It is the absolute duty of the Board to insert in the estimate the amounts required to pay the State tax, the interest on the city debt, and all salaries established by acts of the Legislature; while, with regard to the amounts to be appropriated for the current expenses of the city government, it has a discretion subject to no control, except its own sense of what is right, to increase or diminish such amounts. This power is so full and unrestricted, and the different departments of the city government (with the exception of the Dock Department, the entire expenses of which are paid by the issue of bonds) are so entirely dependent upon their annual appropriations, that the Board could, by a great reduction of the usual appropriations, cause an almost complete suspension of the business of the departments, and yet not violate the letter of the law; nor would the departments have any remedy, except through the Legislature. Such extensive powers were never entrusted in this city, prior to the year 1871, to a board composed of so few persons, and it is extremely fortunate for the city that the present Board is composed of gentlemen whose experience, intelligence, and character afford ample guarantees that they will not misuse

the great powers vested in the Board, nor intentionally assume to exercise powers which the Board does not possess.

Extensive, however, as are the powers of the Board in determining the amounts to be annually raised by taxation, it is, in my opinion, perfectly clear that its powers and duties in making the annual estimate relate to but one subject, and that is the determination (except in the cases above mentioned when the Board has no discretion) of how much money raised by taxation shall be annually expended for the public business of the city. Neither with the question how much money shall be raised by the issue of bonds authorized by special acts of the Legislature, nor with the question how such money shall be expended, has the Board, in my opinion, any concern whatever. Even if the sanction of the Board is required before the Comptroller can lawfully issue such bonds, its sanction in regard to bonds of this description is a mere matter of form, and if withheld, could be compelled by mandamus. The most careful scrutiny of all the laws relating to the powers and duties of the Board will not disclose any provision which repeals certain statutes heretofore passed, authorizing the issue of bonds for departmental purposes, or giving the Board any power or control over the moneys to be raised by the issue of such bonds.

It would seem from its action or non-action in relation to the Dock Department, that this view of the matter was taken by the Board itself.

By subdivision 11 of section 6 of chapter 574 of the Laws of 1871, the Comptroller is required, when directed by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, to issue "Dock Bonds of the City of New York," redeemable from time to time, but not before thirty years after the date thereof, to an amount not to exceed three millions of dollars in any one year. It is then further provided as follows: "The expenses and compensation of said Board, its rents, the compensation of its appointees, the purchase money and damages awarded under subdivision 4 of this section of this act upon the acquisition of private property, the payments under the contracts mentioned in subdivision 5 of this section of this act, and for work performed under said section, and all other expenses and disbursements necessarily incurred in carrying out the said provisions of this act in keeping, maintaining, repairing, building and rebuilding the wharves belonging to the said Corporation, in dredging and cleaning slips, shall be paid out of said moneys in the manner above provided."

It will certainly not be claimed that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment could make an appropriation for the Dock Department and then provide that all salaries should be paid out of such appropriation. In fact, no such ground was taken. The Board of Estimate and Apportionment being aware of this statute, made no appropriation whatever for the Dock Department, thus leaving all its expenses, of every description, to be paid out of the proceeds of bonds.

Applying the same rule to the Department of Public Parks, it seems to me that the question whether any salaries of officers, clerks or employees can be paid out of any other moneys than those appropriated by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, and to be raised by taxation in the year 1874, is to be determined by the various laws which authorize the Comptroller to issue bonds upon the requisition of that Department, and not by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

There are several such laws to which you refer in your communication to that Board. Chapter 604 of the Laws of 1874, passed June 5, 1874, is "An act to provide for the surveying, laying out and monumenting of certain portions of the City and County of New York, and to provide means therefor." This is a very important law, upon the proper execution of which depends the location of all streets, roads, squares and places in that part of the city recently annexed from Westchester County. To provide the means for carrying on the work of laying out, surveying and monumenting, and devising and preparing plans authorized by this act, the eighth section thereof requires the Comptroller, when directed by the Commissioners of Parks, to issue, during the year 1874, bonds to an amount not exceeding \$100,000, payable November 1, 1875.

And the tenth section of this act is as follows:

"The Board of Estimate and Apportionment of the City of New York shall annually include in the estimate of the amounts necessary to pay the expenses of conducting the business of the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York, such sum or sums of money as shall, in the

judgment and discretion of said board, be necessary to carry on the works authorized by this act."

These two sections being in the same statute, it does not admit of question that the \$100,000 of bonds were to be in addition to the amount to be appropriated by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment and raised by taxation in each year.

Again, chapter 645 of the Laws of 1874, passed June 25, 1874, is "An act to make further provision for the payment of further expenses of the local government of the City of New York."

This statute requires the Comptroller to issue bonds to an amount not exceeding two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, redeemable within thirty years, at such times, and in such amounts, and in such manner, as may be required by the Department of Public Parks, "for the improvement and regulation of the several parks, squares and public places which are now or may be under the control and management of the Department of Public Parks."

Both of these statutes are very late expressions of the will of the Legislature, having become laws but a few weeks since.

Again, Chapter 290 of the Laws of 1871, authorizes the Commissioners of Central Park (now the Department of Public Parks) to erect two buildings, known as the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the American Museum of Natural History, and to defray the expense of erecting these buildings the Comptroller is required to issue bonds redeemable in thirty years, to an amount the interest on which shall not exceed \$35,000 for each building.

In executing the powers and performing the duties which are made mandatory upon the Department of Public Parks by these several laws, it is necessary to employ a great number of persons, such as architects, meteorologists, landscape gardeners, civil and topographical engineers, surveyors, mechanics of all descriptions, laborers, and others. Many of these persons must of necessity be employed upon yearly salaries, and others are paid by the day. Now, it seems to me, that the question whether all these persons, and others whose services may be required by the Department in carrying on the works provided for in the several laws above mentioned, can be lawfully paid out of the proceeds of the bonds thereby authorized is to be determined by the laws themselves, and not by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment. In other words, the questions whether the bonds authorized by the laws above mentioned shall be issued at all, and whether the money realized from the bonds, if issued, shall be expended in the payment of salaries of officers, clerks, and employees of the Department, or whether it shall be paid to day laborers, or whether it shall all be used for the purchase of supplies and materials, are questions and matters over which the Board of Estimate and Apportionment has no jurisdiction whatever. The Board can determine how much money shall be raised for the use of the Department of Parks by taxation, and for what purposes that money shall be expended; and if it had appropriated \$200,000, instead of \$495,000, for certain purposes, its action would have been valid; but when it undertook in effect to say that no salaries of officers, clerks, or employees of the Department should be paid out of any fund but this \$495,000, I am constrained to advise you that it exceeded its lawful powers, and that its action in this respect is wholly null and void.

It is proper to add that, in coming to this conclusion, I have not overlooked the provision of the 28th section of the Charter, which declares that the aggregate expense for officers, clerks, employees, and subordinates in every department shall not exceed the total amount duly appropriated to the respective departments for such purposes. It is plain that as the Board of Estimate and Apportionment cannot appropriate for salaries any moneys except those to be raised by taxation in each current year, that the limitation as to the aggregate amount of such salaries imposed by said section 28 relates to those moneys only which are to be raised in that manner, and has no reference whatever to moneys to be raised by the issue of bonds.

Although I presume that the operations of your Department would be somewhat crippled, if the restrictions imposed by the Board in reference to payment of salaries were valid, still, if I felt any doubt about the matter, I should be disposed to uphold an action of the Board undoubtedly taken from the praiseworthy motive of lessening the expenditures of the City Government. As I do not entertain any such doubt, I have no option but to advise you to the effect above set forth, though I regret that I am compelled to express an opinion

which differs from that apparently entertained by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

The importance of the questions submitted by you, and the fact that my opinion does differ from that of the Board, must be my excuse for having stated at length my reasons for the view which I take of the matter.

I am, sir,

Yours, very respectfully,

GEORGE P. ANDREWS,

Assistant Counsel to the Corporation.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
CITY OF NEW YORK, July 21, 1874.

To the Hon. WM. F. HAVEMEYER, Mayor:

SIR—The Department of Public Parks, in pursuance of section 27, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, and of the request contained in your communication of the 30th ultimo, hereby makes the following report of its operations and actions for the three months ending June 30, 1874:

Proposals for 5,000 cubic yards of screened gravel were directed to be advertised for.

Additional accommodation was granted to the American Museum of Natural History for its collections in the Arsenal Building in Central Park.

Mr. Gordon W. Burnham offered to place a colossal statue of Daniel Webster in the Central Park, if allowed to place it in a central position at the south end of the Mall, which the Board deemed an unsuitable location. The offer was consequently withdrawn.

Contracts were made with the Metropolitan Gas-light Company, the Harlem Gas-light Company, and the New York Gas-light Company for lighting with gas, etc., all the public lamps within their respective jurisdictions, and with the Mutual Gas-light Company for lighting with gas the following places, namely: Cooper Institute Park, Jackson square, Tompkins square, Washington Monument, Union Square Park, Madison Square Park, Worth Monument, and the candelabra situate at the intersection of Twenty-third street, Twenty-fourth street, and Broadway.

Matthew N. Ehrhorn was appointed Park-keeper, and assigned to High Bridge Park on the application of the lessee of High Bridge Hotel, who has agreed to defray all the expense connected with said appointment. Thomas Beatty was appointed Park-keeper, and detailed to supervise and inspect the Park-keepers in the city parks.

Requisition was made on the Comptroller for \$250,000, under the provisions of chap. 756, Laws of 1873.

The following rates of pay in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards were adjusted:

Blacksmiths.....	\$3 per day
Carpenters.....	3 "
Messengers.....	2 "
Horse and wagon.....	3 "

The Board approved of a bill then pending before the Legislature authorizing the construction of a bridge across the Bronx river, at or near the foot of Prospect street, in the late town of West Farms, on the condition that the sole control of the construction of said bridge was given to this department.

The President was empowered to order from M. Bacharach one wire gauze urinal, the cost of which was not to exceed \$1,000.

Arrangements were made for sprinkling Central avenue during the month of May, at the rate of \$500 per month.

A plan for a fountain, to be placed at the south end of the Mall in Central Park, was adopted, and the foundations for the same was directed to be laid, at a cost not exceeding \$1,000.

A contract for five thousand (5,000) cubic yards of screened gravel was awarded to Mr. James Lymington, at \$2.39 per cubic yard for Roa Hook gravel, but he having declined to execute the contract, proposals to supply said screened gravel were ordered to be readvertised for, pursuant to section 91, chapter 335, Laws of 1874.

Mr. Harvey B. Dodworth was employed to furnish music during the summer season.

On May 9, Hon. H. G. Stebbins was elected President, and D. B. Williamson, Esq., Treasurer, of this Department.

The statue of "Day Dream," owned by Mr. Amos Van Wart, was placed for exhibition in the Art Gallery at Mount St. Vincent.

The proffered statue of "Thaddeus Kosciuszko," was, in the report of the Committee on Statues rejected, for the reasons that it did not possess the artistic requirements.

The corner-stone of the building for the Museum of Natural History, was laid by his Excellency the President, Ulysses S. Grant.

A revised estimate of the expenses of the Department for the year 1874, was sent to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

The President was authorized to demand and receive from all officers, commissioners, and other persons having custody thereof, all contracts, specifications, obligations of sureties, records, documents, reports, accounts, plans, maps, and papers which this Department is authorized to receive under chapter 329, Laws of 1874.

The name of entrance to Central Park on Fifth avenue, styled "Children's Gate," is changed to "Inventors' Gate," and the entrance on Fifth avenue at Sixty-fourth street, is styled "Children's Gate."

Two vases, which were formerly around "Lincoln Monument," were set at the east of the "Transcript," opposite the "Music Stand," on the Mall, and the remaining two are set at the north end of the Mall.

Requisition was made on the Comptroller for \$100,000 under chapter 604, Laws of 1874.

The Secretary was directed to advertise for proposals for 1,000 feet dressed base-course of blue stone to complete Eighth avenue wall.

License was granted to John Lucas to let donkeys for hire on Central Park, subject to certain conditions, rules, and regulations.

A sewer was directed to be made from High Bridge Hotel to Harlem river, the cost not to exceed \$125.

Permission was granted to the North American Neuchatel Paving Company to relay the whole of the paving laid by said company on Union square, without any extra cost to this department.

The work of construction of Five Points' Park was resumed.

The drinking fountain on Reservoir square is to be completed as soon as possible.

The rails and seats on the concert ground on the Mall in Central Park will be completed as soon as practicable.

It was directed that proposals be obtained for the iron and granite work of the building for the Art Museum, in accordance with the adopted plans of said building.

The President was authorized to have the work on the Eighth avenue wall and slopes, and also on the sewer in Morningside Park, proceeded with.

The subject of repairs to McComb's Dam Bridge was referred to the President and Treasurer.

The subject of repairs to bridges over Bronx river was referred to the President.

It was referred to Mr. J. J. Senell, Engineer, to revise the maps of the north end of the Island, above Inwood street.

Requisition was made on the Comptroller for \$100,000, for the construction of the building for Natural History Museum, and \$100,000 for Art Museum Building.

Additional insurance, to the extent of \$40,000, was effected on the collections of the Museum of Natural History.

The contract for the granite work of the Art Museum Building was awarded to T. W. Rollins, and the contract for the iron work of said building to the Watson Manufacturing Company.

The inauguration of the memorial statue of the Seventh Regiment took place on the 22d of June, when the Hon. H. G. Stebbins, President, received said statue on behalf of this Department, and his Excellency John A. Dix, Governor of this State, participated in the ceremonies.

The following report of the Executive Committee of the Board governing this Department was adopted, to take effect from and after June 1, 1874, viz.:

That the Civil and Topographical Corps be reorganized as follows:

That said Bureau be placed in charge of General George S. Greene, as Civil and Topographical Engineer, who is recommended to be appointed to that position at a salary of \$5,200 per annum.

That Isaac W. Maclay be appointed Principal Assistant to the Civil and Topographical Engineer, at a salary the same as he at present receives, viz., \$4,000 per annum.

That the Northern Division be placed in charge of Division Engineer J. J. R. Croes.

That the First Division, comprising Kingsbridge, be placed in charge of Division Engineer C. R. Schott, with Samuel B. Smith as First Assistant Engineer.

That the Second Division, comprising Morrisania, be placed in charge of Division Engineer R. L. Cooke, with E. C. Morrison as First Assistant Division Engineer.

That the third division, comprising West Farms, be placed in charge of Division Engineer G. A. Cushing, with Stephen S. Haight as First Assistant Division Engineer.

That Matthew Cox, Isaac C. Hatshad, and Thomas Fox be promoted from Axemen to Rodmen, and their salaries fixed at three dollars and fifty cents per day. That Warren Barlow be appointed Clerk at a salary of three dollars per day, in place of W. W. Pratt, who has voluntarily left the employment of the Department.

That Frederick Guffenberg, Emil L. Mensuer, Draughtsmen, Frederick W. Bunn, Messenger, and Samuel F. Boggs, Chainman, be retained in their respective positions at their present salaries. That the salaries of Division Engineers be fixed at three thousand dollars per annum, and that or First Assistant Division Engineers be fixed at two thousand dollars per annum. That a Bureau of Construction be created to take charge of construction works in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, and in connection with the Harlem river and Spuyten Duyvil creek; and that William H. Grant, as Engineer-in-Charge, be placed at the head of that bureau at his present salary, viz., \$5,200 per annum.

That the Landscape Architects, Engineering and Architects forces be reduced to the following persons, namely:

Frederick Law Olmsted, Landscape Architect.
John Bogart, Engineer.
Julius Munckinty, Superintending Architect.
Frank A. Calkins, Assistant Engineer.
Arthur Krauss, Draughtsman.
Otto Sileth, Draughtsman.
Daniel Campbell, Rodman.

Patrick Phillips, Axeman.
William A. Jeffries, Axeman.
Edward A. Miller, Rodman.
H. Hennans, Rodman.

That the following clerks be discharged for want of work in the Department:

Samuel T. Houghton, Book-keeper.
Wm. B. Dyer, Temporary Clerk.
Horace A. Whitney, Messenger.

And that the services of Jacob W. Mould, Associate Architect, be obtained and paid for, whenever they may be required by the Department, at the rate of the usual percentage allowed to architects.

The amount of bills sent to the Finance Department for payment....	\$136,028 33
Amount of moneys deposited with the Chamberlain.....	4,341 72
Amount of pay-rolls sent to Finance Department for payment....	245,303 33

I remain, sir,

Very respectfully,

HENRY G. STEBBINS,

President D. P. P.

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS,

&c., &c.,

PASSED BY BOTH BRANCHES OF THE

COMMON COUNCIL

AND

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR,

DURING THE WEEK ENDING JULY 18, 1874.

Resolved, That Asa L. Shipman, Jr., be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place and stead of Joseph Fitzgerald, who has failed to qualify.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, June 29, 1874.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 10, 1874.

Approved by the Mayor, July 13, 1874.

Resolved, That the name of Hiram H. Lowenthal, on the list of Commissioners of Deeds recently appointed, be changed so as to read Hymes H. Lowenthal.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, June 29, 1874.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 10, 1874.

Approved by the Mayor, July 13, 1874.

Resolved, That Lewis Levy 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.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, June 29, 1874.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 10, 1874.

Approved by the Mayor, July 13, 1874.

Resolved, That Julius L. Goldenberg be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place and stead of Henry D. Lapaugh, whose term of office has expired.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, June 29, 1874.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 10, 1874.

Approved by the Mayor, July 13, 1874.

Resolved, That Rudolph F. Rabe be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place and stead of Henry A. Munker, who has failed to qualify.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, June 29, 1874.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 10, 1874.

Approved by the Mayor, July 13, 1874.

Resolved, That Henry P. West 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.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, June 29, 1874.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 10, 1874.

Approved by the Mayor, July 13, 1874.

Resolved, That Jacob H. Semel be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place and stead of Cromwell D. Macy, who has failed to qualify.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, June 29, 1874.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 10, 1874.

Approved by the Mayor, July 13, 1874.

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

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 10, 1874.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, July 13, 1874.

Approved by the Mayor, July 14, 1874.

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

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 10, 1874.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, July 13, 1874.

Approved by the Mayor, July 14, 1874.

Resolved, That William G. Livingston be and he is hereby appointed a City Surveyor.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 10, 1874.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, July 13, 1874.

Approved by the Mayor, July 14, 1874.

DIRECTORY

OF THE

COMMON COUNCIL.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

1. Samuel B. H. Vance, 206 West 23d street.
2. Oliver P. C. Billings, 143 East 34th street.
3. Jenkins Van Schaick, 1 University place.
4. Stephen V. R. Cooper, 218 West 51st street.
5. John Falconer, 308 East 15th street.
6. George Koch, 638 Lexington avenue.
7. Peter Kehr, 50 Seventh avenue.
8. Robert McCafferty, 858 Lexington avenue.
9. Oswald Ottendorfer, 7 East 17th street.
10. Edward Gilon, 557 Hudson street.
11. Patrick Lysaght, 27 City Hall place.
12. Richard Flanagan, 312 West 22d street.
13. John Reilly, 314 East 14th street.
14. John J. Morris, 117 West 21st street.
15. Joseph A. Monheimer, 233 East 31st street.

SAMUEL B. H. VANCE, President.

JOSEPH C. PINCKNEY, Clerk, 27 Stuyvesant street.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

ARTS AND SCIENCES, INCLUDING PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.—Aldermen Billings, Monheimer, and Reilly.
FERRIES.—Aldermen Falconer, Cooper, and Lysaght.
FINANCE.—Aldermen Van Schaick, Gilon, Kehr, Morris, and Ottendorfer.
LANDS AND PLACES.—Aldermen McCafferty, Koch, and Gilon.
LAW DEPARTMENT.—Aldermen Cooper, Billings, and Flanagan.
MARKETS.—Aldermen Morris, Kehr, and Lysaght.
PRINTING AND ADVERTISING.—Aldermen Kehr, Ottendorfer, and Falconer.
PUBLIC WORKS.—Aldermen Koch, Morris, and Gilon.
RAILROADS.—Aldermen Billings, Van Schaick, and Ottendorfer.
REPAIRS AND SUPPLIES.—Aldermen Kehr, Cooper, and Flanagan.
ROADS.—Aldermen Cooper, Gilon, and Reilly.
SALARIES AND OFFICES.—Aldermen Ottendorfer, Koch, and McCafferty.
STREETS.—Aldermen Monheimer, Billings, and McCafferty.
STREET PAVEMENTS.—Aldermen Falconer, Monheimer, and Van Schaick.

BOARD ASSISTANT ALDERMEN.

1. Thomas Foley, 18 West street.
2. Jeremiah Murphy, 45 Cherry street.
3. Charles M. Clancy, 167 Mott street.
4. John C. Keating, 333 Cherry street.
5. Henry Wisser, 151 Prince street.
6. Michael Healy, 19 Ridge street.
7. Thos. L. Thornell, 169 West 12th street.
8. John Theiss, 223 Bowery.
9. George F. Codrington, 62 Perry street.
10. Joseph P. Strack, 179 Third street.
11. William S. Kreps, 354 West 27th street.
12. Patrick Keenan, 217 Lewis street.
13. William Wade, 144 West 21st street.
14. John J. Kehoe, 138 First avenue.
15. Edward Brucks, 422 West 39th street.
16. George Kelly, 318 West 20th street.
17. Stephen N. Simonson, 305 West 48th street.
18. Philip Cumisky, 552 First avenue.
19. Henry A. Linden, 68th st., bet. 10th and 11th aves.
20. Isaac Sommers, 165 East 62d street.
21. Benjamin Beyea, 111st street near 4th avenue.

JOSEPH P. STRACK, President.

W. H. MOLONEY, Clerk.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

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

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

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

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

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

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

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

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE, OFFICE HOURS 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Comptroller's Office, West end.
1. Bureau for the collection of the revenue accruing from rents and interest on bonds and mortgages, and revenue arising from the use or sale of property belonging to or managed by the city; Ground floor, west end.
2. Bureau for the Collection of Taxes; Brown stone building, City Hall Park.
3. Bureau for the Collection of Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and Water Rents; Ground floor, west end.
4. Auditing Bureau; Main floor, west end.
5. Bureau of Licenses; Ground floor, west end.
6. Bureau of Markets; Ground floor, west end.
7. Bureau for the reception of all moneys paid into the Treasury in the City, and for the payment of money on warrants drawn by the Comptroller and countersigned by the Mayor, at the Office of Chamberlain and County Treasurer; Main floor, west end.
8. Bureau for the Collection of Assessments; Rotunda.

DEPARTMENT PUBLIC WORKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
Commissioner's Office, Room 19, City Hall,
New York, July 16, 1874.

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS INCLOSED IN A SEALED ENVELOPE, with the title of the work and the name of the bidder endorsed thereon (ALSO THE NUMBER OF THE WORK AS IN THE ADVERTISEMENT), will be received at this office until the 29th day of July, 1874, at 12 o'clock M., for the following works:

No. 1. Sewer in Light street, between Varick and Hudson streets.

No. 2. Sewer in Attorney street, between Grand and Broome streets.

No. 3. Sewer in Tompkins street, between Broome and Delancey streets.

No. 4. Sewers in Lewis street, between Houston and Sixth streets.

No. 5. Sewer in Twenty-fourth street, between Second and Third avenues.

No. 6. Sewer in Fifty-third street, between First avenue and East river.

No. 7. Outlet sewer in One Hundred and Forty-second street, between Boulevard and Hudson river.

No. 8. Sewer in Lexington avenue, between Sixty-seventh and Sixty-eighth streets.

No. 9. Sewers in Ninth avenue, between Sixty-fifth and Seventy-fifth streets, with branches.

No. 10. Sewer in Thirteenth avenue, between Gansevoort and Bloomfield streets, with branches in Bloomfield and Bogart streets.

No. 11. Sewer in Avenue B, between Eighty-sixth and Eighty-seventh streets, with branch in Eighty-seventh street.

No. 12. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones and flagging in Thirteenth avenue, from Eleventh to Sixteenth streets.

No. 13. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones and flagging in Forty-third street, from the Second to the Third avenue.

No. 14. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging in Seventieth street, from Third avenue to the East river.

No. 15. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging, in Ninety-third street, from Second avenue to the East river, except from First avenue to the East river.

No. 16. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging, in Ninety-sixth street, from Eighth avenue to the Boulevard.

No. 17. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging, in One Hundred and Third street, from First to Fifth avenue.

No. 18. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging, in One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street, from Fifth to Eighth avenue.

No. 19. Setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging full width, in Third avenue, west side, from Sixty-sixth to Sixty-ninth street.

No. 20. Setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging full width, on the north side of Eleventh street, from Avenue D to the East river; also, on the East side of Avenue D, from Eleventh to Thirteenth street.

No. 21. Setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging full width, in Third street, from Goerck street to the East river.

No. 22. Flagging sidewalks, on south side Thirty-fourth street, between Lexington and Fourth avenues, full width.

No. 23. Flagging sidewalks, on north side of Fifty-fifth street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.

No. 24. Flagging sidewalks, in Fifty-first street, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues, and on the north side of Fifty-first street, from Eleventh avenue to the Hudson river.

No. 25. Flagging sidewalks, on Fifty-sixth street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.

No. 26. Paving Bank street, between West street and Thirteenth avenue, with Belgian pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues where required.

No. 27. Paving Third street, from Goerck street to the pier foot of Third street, with Belgian pavement, and laying crosswalks at intersecting streets and avenues where required.

No. 28. Paving Eleventh street, from one hundred feet east of Avenue D to the East river, with Belgian pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues where required.

No. 29. Paving Twenty-fourth street, from Eleventh avenue to the North river, with Belgian or granite-block pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues where required.

No. 30. Paving Thirty-first street, between Fourth and Lexington avenues, with Belgian pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues where required.

No. 31. Paving Thirty-sixth street, from the Tenth to the Eleventh avenue, with Belgian pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues where required.

No. 32. Paving Forty-third street, between Madison avenue and the Grand Central Railroad depot, with Belgian pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues where required.

No. 33. Paving Fifty-second street, between Fourth and Fifth avenues, with Belgian pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues where required.

No. 34. Paving Fifty-sixth street, between First avenue and East river, with Belgian pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues where required.

No. 35. Paving Eighty-eighth street, between Third and Fourth avenues, with Belgian pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues where required.

No. 36. Paving One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, from Eleventh avenue, or Boulevard, to the Hudson River Railroad, with Belgian or granite-block pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues where required.

No. 37. Paving Eleventh avenue, from Fifty-second to Fifty-ninth street, with Belgian pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues where required.

No. 38. Paving Thirteenth or Exterior avenue, between Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth streets (half the block), with Belgian pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues where required.

Blank forms of proposals, the specifications and agreements, the proper envelope in which to inclose the bids, and any further information desired can be obtained on application to the Contract Clerk at his office.

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

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
Commissioner's Office, 19 City Hall

CONSUMERS OF CROTON WATER ARE

hereby notified that the water rents for 1874 are now due, and are payable at the office of the Water Register, Room No. 12, City Hall from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. each day. A penalty will be added to all water rents remaining unpaid on the 1st of August.

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,
New York, July 22, 1874.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORDINANCE

of the Common Council "In relation to the burial of strangers and unknown persons who may die in any of the public institutions of the City of New York," the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction report as follows:

At Morgue, from West and Gansevoort streets, July 21, 1874.—Unknown man, about 30 years of age; 5 feet 9 inches high; dark brown hair; light moustache and beard; scanty growth; black eyes; and two front teeth of upper jaw missing. Had on brown frock coat, with black binding; gray mixed tweed vest; dark mixed pants, with broad rib; striped Jean shirt; elastic gaiters—right gaiter with large patch and seam down the centre, diagonally. Found on his person jappanned iron comb.

By order,

JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,
New York, July 21, 1874.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORDINANCE OF

the Common Council "In relation to the burial of strangers and unknown persons who may die in any of the public institutions of the City of New York," the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction report as follows:

At New York City Asylum for the Insane, Ward's Island, July 20, 1874.—Henry D. Miller, admitted from Almshouse, June 27, 1874, age 62 years, born in Germany, 5 feet 7 inches high, gray hair, brown eyes, weight about 130 lbs. Had on brown coat, gray pants, red shirt. There has been no person to visit him, nor could any information in regard to relatives or friends be obtained from him. No effects.

By Order,

JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,
New York, July 20, 1874.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORDINANCE

of the Common Council "In relation to the burial of Strangers and Unknown persons who may die in any of the Public Institutions of the City of New York," the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction report as follows:

At Morgue, from Pier No. 18, North river, July 18, 1874.—Unknown man, about forty-five years of age; five feet seven inches high, light brown hair. Had on black alpaca coat, dark mixed vest, dark corded pants, white shirt, with fine pleat bosom, white knit undershirt, white cotton socks, and boots. Found on his person: Brass watch and chain, two-bladed white-handle knife, bunch of keys, rubber eye-glasses, and cigar-holder case.

By order,

JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

MORGUE—BELLEVUE HOSPITAL,
July 18, 1874.

UNKNOWN MAN FROM PIER 18, NORTH

river.—Age, about forty-five years; five feet seven inches high, light brown hair.

Had on black alpaca coat, dark mixed vest, dark corded pants, white shirt, with fine pleat bosom, white knit undershirt, white cotton socks, and boots. Found on his person: Brass watch and chain, two-bladed white-handle knife, bunch of keys, eye-glasses (rubber), and cigar-holder case.

By order of the Board,

THOMAS S. BRENNAN,
Warden.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
New York, July 14, 1874.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORDINANCE OF

the Common Council "In relation to the burial of strangers and unknown persons who may die in any of the public institutions of the City of New York," the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction report as follows:

DIED, at Hart's Island, July 12, 1874.—Annie Carter, aged fifty years. Committed to Work-house for vagrancy July 8, and transferred to Hart's Island July 12, 1874. Dressed—two skirts, one waist, wrapper, stockings, shoes, etc.

By order

JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

MORGUE—BELLEVUE HOSPITAL,
July 14, 1874.

UNKNOWN MAN, FROM FULTON FERRY SLIP.

Age, about 60 years; 5 feet 8 inches high, gray hair, gray side whiskers, high forehead, blue eyes, spare built man; no teeth in upper jaw; teeth very much decayed on lower jaw. Had on black frock coat, black vest, dark ribbed flap pants, mixed with red; white shirt, with one plait down the bosom, and collar attached; white knit undershirt, white suspenders, with blue edge, black silk necktie, blue ribbed woolen socks, and boots. Found on his person, permit from Department of City Works, Brooklyn, marked James Shannon, 85 Claremont avenue, Brooklyn, pocket-book, silver spectacles, razor, and key.

By order of the Board,

THOMAS S. BRENNAN,
Warden.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
Corner of Third Avenue and Eleventh Street,
New York, July 15, 1874.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORDINANCE

of the Common Council "In relation to the burial of strangers and unknown persons who may die in any of the public institutions of the City of New York," the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction report as follows:

At Morgue, from Fulton Ferry Slip, July 14, 1874.—Unknown man, about 60 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches high, gray hair, gray side whiskers, high forehead, blue eyes, spare built; no teeth on upper jaw, and much decayed on lower jaw. Had on black frock coat, black vest, dark ribbed flapped pants, mixed with red, white shirt, with one plait down the bosom, and collar attached; white knit undershirt, white suspenders, with blue edge, black silk necktie, blue ribbed woolen socks, and boots. Found on his person, permit from Department of City Works, Brooklyn, marked James Shannon, 85 Claremont avenue, pocket-book, silver spectacles, razor, and key.

By Order,

JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,
New York, July 18, 1874.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORDINANCE OF

the Common Council "In relation to the burial of strangers and unknown persons who may die in any of the public institutions of the City of New York," the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction report as follows:

At Morgue, from foot of West Fifteenth street, July 17, 1874.—Unknown man, about 35 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches high, sandy hair and goatee. Had on blue and white linen coat, blue flannel shirt, brown pants with wide rib, and low laced shoes.

By order

JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

MORGUE—BELLEVUE HOSPITAL,
July 17, 1874.

UNKNOWN MAN FROM FOOT OF FIFTEENTH street, N. R., age about 35 years, 5 feet 10 inches high, sandy hair and goatee. Had on blue and white linen coat, blue flannel shirt, brown pants (wide rib), white cotton socks and low-cut laced shoes.

By order of the Board,

THOMAS S. BRENNAN,
Warden.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,
New York, July 17, 1874.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORDINANCE

of the Common Council "In relation to the burial of Strangers and unknown persons who may die in any of the public institutions of the City of New York," the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction report as follows:

DIED at N. Y. City Asylum, Ward's Island, July 15, 1874.—Aaron S. Wesonitz, a native of Poland; 23 years of age; 4 feet 10 inches high; dark hair; gray eyes; weight, 150 pounds; residence in New York six years. Was received from Almshouse July 10, 1872. Had on gray coat, brown pants and vest, white shirt, straw hat, Congress gaiters. No effects. There has been no person to visit him, nor could any information be obtained of his relatives or friends.

By order,

JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT PUBLIC PARKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
36 UNION SQUARE, NEW YORK, July 13, 1874.

PROPOSALS FOR DRESSED BASE COURSE STONES.

PROPOSALS IN SEALED ENVELOPES WILL BE received at the office of the Department of Public Parks as above, until Friday, the 24th day of July, 1874, at the hour of 9:30 o'clock A. M., when they will be publicly opened, for the delivery of One Thousand (1,000) lineal feet of Dressed Base Course Stone, with two faces, for the Park inclosing wall.

The stone is to be either Mountain Grawacke or approved Granite, and is to be delivered on such dock, or upon trucks, if provided, as shall be directed. No proposal will be considered unless accompanied by a sample of the stone proposed to be furnished, and by an obligation in writing of two responsible householders or freeholders of the City of New York, their respective places of business or residence being named, to the effect that they will become bound as sureties in the sum of Fifteen Hundred (1,500) dollars for the faithful performance of the contract, should it be awarded upon that proposal.

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

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

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

Proposals must be addressed to the President of the Department of Public Parks, and indorsed "Proposals for Base Course Stone."

H. G. STEBBINS, President,
PHILIP BISSINGER,
D. B. WILLIAMSON,
THOMAS E. STEWART,
Commissioners D. P. P.

WM. IRWIN,
Secretary, D. P. P.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
36 UNION SQUARE, NEW YORK, July 13, 1874.

PROPOSALS FOR COAL.

PROPOSALS IN SEALED ENVELOPES WILL BE received at the office of the Department of Public Parks until Friday, the 24th day of July, 1874, at 9:30 o'clock A. M., when they will be publicly opened, for Two Hundred and Forty-five tons of Coal, One Hundred and Seventy tons of which shall be suitable for Furnaces, and Seventy-five tons of which shall be suitable for Grates. All to be delivered on the dock foot of Seventy-ninth street, East river, New York City.

The terms of the contract, settled as required by law, may now be seen, and forms of proposal obtained, at the office of the Secretary as above.

Proposals must state the particular description of Coal proposed to be delivered.

No proposal will be considered unless accompanied by an obligation, in writing, of two responsible householders or freeholders of the City of New York, their respective places of business or residences being named, to the effect that they will become bound as sureties in the sum of One Thousand (1,000) dollars for the faithful performance of the contract, should it be awarded upon that proposal.

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

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

Proposals must be addressed to the President of the Department of Public Parks, and indorsed "Proposals for Coal."

H. G. STEBBINS, President,
PHILIP BISSINGER,
D. B. WILLIAMSON,
THOMAS E. STEWART,
Commissioners D. P. P.

WM. IRWIN,
Secretary D. P. P.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

INTEREST ON CITY STOCKS.—THE INTEREST on the Bonds and Stocks of the City of New York, due August 1, 1874, will be paid on that day, by the Chamberlain of the City, at his office, in the New Court-house.

The transfer books will be closed from July 10 to August 1, 1874.

ANDREW H. GREEN,
Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK,
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
July 3, 1874.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
ROTUNDA, COURT-HOUSE,
NEW YORK, July 2, 1874.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS

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

CONFIRMED JUNE 16, 1874.

Outlet Sewer in Eightieth street, from Hudson river to Road, to Eighty-first street, to Tenth avenue, to Eighty-third street, to Ninth avenue, to Eighty-eighth street, to Eighth avenue.

WITH BRANCHES IN NINTH AVENUE TO NINETY-SECOND STREET.

All payments made on the above assessment on or before September 1, 1874, will be exempt (according to law) from interest. After that date interest will be charged at the rate of seven per cent. from the date of confirmation.

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

SPENCER KIRBY,
Collector of Assessments.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
ROTUNDA, COURT-HOUSE,
NEW YORK, May 29, 1874.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS

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

CONFIRMED APRIL 22, 1874.

Opening of Seventieth street, from Fifth avenue to Fourth avenue, and from Third avenue to the East river.

CONFIRMED APRIL 28, 1874.

Opening Ninety-third street, from Eighth avenue to New Road, and from Twelfth avenue to the Hudson river.

CONFIRMED MAY 4, 1874.

Opening Ninety-second street, from Eighth avenue to New Road, and from Twelfth avenue to the Hudson river.

All payments made on the above assessments on or before the 30th day of July next, will be exempt (according to law) from interest. After that date interest will be charged at the rate of 7 per cent. from the several dates of confirmation.

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

SPENCER KIRBY,
Collector of Assessments.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
ROTUNDA, COURT-HOUSE,
NEW YORK, July 6, 1874.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED JUNE 18, 1874.

Opening Ninety-seventh and Ninety-eighth streets, from Eighth avenue to the Boulevard.

All payments made on the above assessment on or before September 5, 1874, will be exempt (according to law) from interest. After that date interest will be charged at the rate of seven per cent. from the date of confirmation.

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

SPENCER KIRBY,
Collector of Assessments.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
ROTUNDA, COURT-HOUSE,
NEW YORK, June 8, 1874.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED APRIL 20, 1874.

Opening Eleventh avenue, from Fifty-ninth street to the Boulevard.

All payments made on the above assessment on or before the 8th day of August next, will be exempt (according to law), from interest. After that date interest will be charged at the rate of seven per cent. from the date of confirmation.

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

SPENCER KIRBY,
Collector of Assessments.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
ROTUNDA, COURT-HOUSE,
NEW YORK, June 20, 1874.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED JUNE 16, 1874.

Sewers in First avenue, between Third and Sixth streets, and between Ninth and Tenth streets.

Sewer in Cannon street, between Grand and Broome streets.

Sewers in One Hundred and Eleventh and One Hundred and Twelfth streets, between First avenue and Avenue A.

Sewer in Avenue A, between One Hundred and Twentieth and One Hundred and Twenty-third streets, with branch in One Hundred and Twenty-third street.

Paving with stone blocks on Fifty-seventh street, from Sixth to Eighth avenue.