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REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, FOR THE TWO MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1873.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 19, CITY HALL, }
New York, January 24, 1874.

HON. W. F. HAVEMEYER,

Mayor of the City of New York.

SIR:—In accordance with section 27, of the Charter, and with your communication of Dec. 27, 1873, I have the honor to submit herewith a report of the transactions of the Department of Public Works for the two months ending Dec. 31, 1873, consisting of the reports of the various Bureaux in this Department, and of statements "A" and "B," exhibiting the amounts appropriated for the use of the Department, the expenditures incurred under the several appropriations, and the balances remaining unexpended.

Very respectfully,

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

BUREAU OF WATER PURVEYOR, December 31, 1873.

George M. Van Nort, Esq., Commissioner of Public Works:

SIR—In accordance with your instructions of 29th inst., I desire to submit the following report of the transactions of this Bureau for the two months ending this date:

NEW PAVEMENTS.

The following contracts for Belgian or stone-block pavements have been completed:

- 56th street, from Lexington to 4th avenues.
- 57th " from Lexington to 2d avenues.
- 57th " from 6th to 8th avenues.
- 63d " from 2d avenue to East River.
- 63d " from Lexington to 4th avenues.
- 69th " from 3d to 5th avenues.
- 74th " from 3d to 5th avenues.
- 77th " from Madison to 3d avenues.
- 86th " from 3d to 5th avenues.

In the report of the Contract Clerk will be found a list of new contracts made.

CROTON PIPES.

Work at laying Croton mains for the better distribution of water throughout the city, chargeable to "Croton Water Main Fund," has been vigorously prosecuted, the force employed on this work numbering some 800 men.

The repairs to 6-feet pipes, charged to Repairs and Maintenance of Aqueduct, have been suspended.

For repairing and renewals of pipes, stop cocks, &c., the usual force has been kept employed.

STREET PAVEMENTS.

The appropriation for repairs to pavements of this city were nearly exhausted at the date of my last quarterly report, October 31. Since then the small balances have been expended, and the remainder of the force of men employed discharged on or about the 10th of November.

The streets of this city are in many places in poor condition. More especially is this the case with wooden pavements, and had the appropriations been sufficient could have been put in much better order, the weather having been favorable for this work up to the present time.

The repairs to wooden pavements, as inaugurated this season—viz., substitution of Belgian blocks in places where the wooden blocks have become destroyed—I believe to be the best method of keeping such streets in order, as well as gradually replacing wooden pavements with Belgian blocks.

Respectfully,

WM. H. LOCKWOOD,
Water Purveyor.

BUREAU OF WATER REGISTER, 235 BROADWAY, }
NEW YORK, January 2, 1874.

George M. Van Nort, Esq., Commissioner of Public Works:

SIR—I have the honor to submit the following statement of the operations and actions of this Bureau, as per your request of December 29, 1873, for the two months ending December 31, 1873:

Total amount received for water rents, \$135,066 77

" " penalties, 5,735 95

" " taps, 750 00

Total..... \$141,551 82

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

H. N. SHERWOOD,
Water Register.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, ENGINEER'S OFFICE, }
NEW YORK, 5th January, 1874.

George M. Van Nort, Esq., Commissioner of Public Works,

SIR: In answer to your communication calling for a report of the "operations and actions" of this Bureau for the two months ending December 31, 1873, I have the honor to report:

There has been transmitted from this Bureau bills for work done and materials furnished as follows:

For account of aqueduct repairs and maintenance.....	\$18,349 87
" " Additional alterations of Aqueduct bet 93d. and 113th sts.....	91,559 33
" " Croton Water Fund.....	1,634 39
" " Croton Water Main Fund.....	260,940 44
" " Repairing of Renewal of Pipes and Stop-cocks.....	4,637 58

\$377,121 61

On the 9th November the water was shut off from the aqueduct at the Croton dam to all to allow of an examination of the inside of the aqueduct, and to make such repairs as might be required. The examination and repairs were made, and the water let in the aqueduct again on the morning of the 12th. During this time the city was supplied from the stored water in the Central Park.

On the 8th avenue and 90th street, five of the six foot pipes laid in 1867 to take the place of the Aqueduct removed between 90th and 85th streets and Central Park, (cracked from unequal settlement,) have been repaired.

The Storage Reservoir at Boyds Corners, Putnam County drawn down to supply the city during the draught in July and August, was again filled and the water running over the waste way on the 14th December.

During the months of November and December the work of extending the distribution of the Croton Water and increasing the supply in the lower part of the city has been continued 1460 lineal feet of 48 inch pipe has been laid,

4285 "	20 "	" "	" "
6077 "	12 "	" "	" "
9873 "	6 "	" "	" "
570 "	4 "	" "	" "

and 37 new hydrants placed.

The six inch pipe proposed to be laid across the Harlem River to supply Ward's Island with Croton water has been received and put together. The box in which it is to be encased is being put together, and the work of putting the pipe in place and making the connections will soon be completed.

The work of laying the large pipes on the 10th avenue, between 93d and 113th streets, to carry the Croton water in place of the aqueduct ordered to be removed, has been continued.

During the last two months—

6,540 lineal feet of pipe have been laid,
600 " sewer built,
400 cubic yards masonry built under the pipes,
1,732 " rock excavated,
4,600 " earth "
18,557 " filling put in and around the pipes.

Exhibit A shows the number of pipes and other supplies received and delivered during these two months at the pipe yard, Twenty-fourth street, East River.

Very respectfully yours,

E. H. TRACY,
Chief Engineer.

EXHIBIT "A."

Materials received and delivered at Water Pipe Yard, Twenty-fourth street, East River, during the months of November and December, 1873.

	RECEIVED.	DELIVERED.
48-inch pipe.....	657	637
48-inch branches, curves, &c.	42	55
36-inch pipe.....	....	1
36-inch branches, curves, &c.	75	9
30-inch pipe.....	29	...
30-inch branches, curves, &c.	22	...
20-inch pipe.....	919	448
20-inch branches, curves, &c.	11	25
12-inch pipe.....	535	415
12-inch branches, curves, &c.	61	52
6-inch pipe.....	1,660	913
6-inch branches, curves, &c.	140	139
4-inch pipe.....	638	24
4-inch branches, curves, &c.	82	87
36-inch stop-cocks.....	....	1
20-inch " .....	....	2
12-inch "	24	24
6-inch "	75	26
4-inch " .....	....	2
Hydrants.....	125	92
Iron stop cock boxes.....	225	158
Lead, lbs.....	192,866	170,319
Coal, lbs.....	97,000	83,300

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
BUREAU OF STREET IMPROVEMENTS, Room No. 11, City Hall,
NEW YORK, December 31, 1873.

Hon. Geo. M. Van Nort, Commissioner of Public Work:

SIR:—In answer to your circular letter of the 29th inst., asking for a report of the transactions of this Bureau for the months of November and December, 1873, I have herewith the honor to transmit you the same.

In addition, I also hand you statements of all contracts made, all contracts completed, and one showing the amount of work done during this period.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

RICHARD GIBBS,
Superintendent Street Improvements.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
BUREAU OF STREET IMPROVEMENTS,
NEW YORK, December 31, 1873.

Amount of Work done during November and December, 1873.

Earth excavated.....	Cubic yards, 15,661
Rock "	23,070
Filling furnished.....	" 83,360
Curb and gutter stones set.....	Running feet, 17,661
Flagging laid.....	Square feet, 205,301 74-100
Flagging relaid.....	" 5,191 46-100
Board Fence.....	Running feet, 384 50-100

Statement showing the Amount Drawn during November and December, 1873.

Street regulating, grading, etc.....	\$208,905 33
Contingencies—Department Public Works.....	104 16

RICHARD GIBBS,
Superintendent Street Improvements.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
BUREAU OF STREET IMPROVEMENTS,
NEW YORK, December 31, 1873.

List of Contracts completed since November 1st, 1873.

DATE.	CONTRACT.	CONTRACTOR.
November 1.....	Regulating and grading 117th street, 7th to 8th avenues	Th. & J. D. Crimmins.
" 8.....	Regulating and grading 84th street, 4th to 10th avenues	Abm. Dowdney.
" 11.....	Flagging north side 37th street, 7th to 8th avenues	Th. J. Hinch.
" 12.....	Fencing north side 61st street, 2d to 3d avenues	Th. L. Butler.
" 13.....	Fencing north side 57th street, about 25 feet East of 9th avenue	"
" 14.....	Fencing north side 53d street, 5th to 6th avenues	Richard A. Cunningham.
" 15.....	Regulating, grading, etc., Gansevoort street, West street to North River	James Slattery.
" 16.....	Flagging 59th street, 1st avenue to 2d avenue	E. J. Quirk.
" 21.....	Regulating, grading, etc., 135th street, 8th avenue to Harlem River	John S. Masterson.
" 22.....	Regulating, grading, etc., 120th street, 2d avenue to 6th avenue	Th. J. Hinch.
" 23.....	Flagging south side 54th street, 6th avenue to 7th avenue	James Everard.
" 24.....	Regulating, grading, etc., 67th street, 3d avenue to 4th avenue	Thomas L. Butler.
" 25.....	Flagging north side Monroe street, Corlears street to 31st Monroe street	"
" 26.....	Regulating, grading, etc., 120th street, 7th to 8th avenue	Th. & J. D. Crimmins.
" 27.....	Flagging north side Front street, Montgomery to Gouverneur streets	Thomas L. Butler.
" 28.....	Flagging north side 57th street, 250 feet East of 9th avenue	Joseph Tracy.
" 29.....	Curbing, grading and flagging 61st street, 9th to 10th avenues	"
" 30.....	Regulating, grading, etc., 75th street, 5th avenue to East River	James Clark.
" 31.....	Flagging north side 14th street, from No. 331 to 347, between 1st and 2d avenues	Patrick Farley.
" 32.....	Flagging north side 52d street, com. 5th avenue and running West 175 feet	Joseph Tracy.
" 33.....	Flagging 57th street, 9th to 10th avenues	"
" 34.....	Flagging 53d street, 7th avenue to Broadway	James Clark.
" 35.....	Regulating, grading, etc., 126th street, 8th avenue to Lawrence street	Joseph Tracy.
" 36.....	Regulating, grading, etc., 119th street, 4th avenue to 8th avenue	Wm. Guilfoyle.
" 37.....	Regulating, grading, etc., 119th street, 4th avenue to 8th avenue	Dennis McCarthy.

RETURN OF VOUCHERS issued and WORK DONE in the Bureau of Street Improvements under the DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS of the City of New York for the two months commencing November 1, 1873, and ending December 31, 1873.

NO. OF VOUCHERS	DATE.	FOR WHAT PURPOSE.	TO WHOM ISSUED.	WORK DONE.	PRICE.	AMOUNT.	AMOUNT.	AMOUNT DEDUCTED.	AMOUNT OF VOUCHER.	APPROPRIATION.
159	November 1..	Wagon hire and traveling expenses.....	Richard Gibbs, Supt. Street Imp'ts.	Examining work under contract	\$250 00	\$62 50			\$62 50	Contingencies, D. P. W.
160	November 3..	87th st., 8th to 10th aves.....	L. W. Johnson, contractor.....	3,400 yards filling.....	1 48	5,032 00			5,032 00	Street reg., grading, etc.
161	November 3..	68th st., 8th ave. to Hudson river.....	Charles Miner, contractor.....	100 yards earth.....	45 1/4	45 25			45 25	
				3,000 yards rock.....	1 81	5,430 00			5,430 00	
				2,000 feet curb and gutter.....						
162	November 6..	59th st., Public Drive to Hudson river.....	Robert Meers, contractor.....	815 yards earth.....	55	448 25			448 25	do do
				6,735 yards rock.....	2 20	14,617 00			14,617 00	
				8,893 yards filling.....						
				2,357 feet curb and gutter.....						
				18,444 feet flagging.....						
163	November 6..	Attorney st., Grand to Broome st.....	Patrick Gibney, contractor.....	741 1/2 feet flagging.....	30	237 28			237 28	do do
164	November 6..	93d st., 4th avenue to 5th ave.....	Michael Gavin, contractor.....	483 yards earth.....	28 1/4	138 86			138 86	do do
				107 yards rock.....	1 15	406 90			406 90	
				3,733 yards filling.....	40	1,493 20			1,493 20	
				1,842 feet curb and gutter.....	80	1,173 60			1,173 60	
				14,524 feet flagging.....	20	2,834 40			2,834 40	
165	November 5..	108th st., 5th ave. to East river.....	R. J. Mills & J. W. Ambrose, contractor's	12,000 yards filling.....	89	10,688 00			10,688 00	do do
166	November 7..	118th st., 7th ave. to 8th ave.....	Abm. Dowdney, contractor.....	1,400 yards filling.....	1 59	2,225 00			2,225 00	do do
167	November 7..	117th st., 7th ave. to 8th ave.....	H. & J. D. Crimmins, contractors.....	2,105 yards filling.....	1 49	3,136 45			3,136 45	do do
168	Novem'er 11..	135th st., 8th ave. to Hudson river.....	E. J. Quirk, contractor.....	795 feet curb and gutter.....	1 00	795 00			795 00	do do
				35,600 yards flagging.....	25	9,115 00			9,115 00	
169	Novem'er 11..	145th street, 7th avenue to Boulevard.....	Fairchild & Ward, contractors.....	7,083 yards filling.....	60	4,249 80			4,249 80	do do
170	Novem'er 11..	75th street, 5th avenue to East river.....	Patrick Farley, contractor.....	8,000 yards filling.....	45	3,600 00			3,600 00	do do
				1,400 feet curb and gutter.....	1 00	1,400 00			1,400 00	
				3,000 feet flagging.....	25	750 00			750 00	
171	Novem'er 11..	117th street, 7th avenue to 8th avenue.....	Frank E. Towle, surveyor.....	900 feet profile.....	5	45 00			45 00	do do
				658 feet reg. and grading.....	5	32 90			32 90	
				2,195 feet map front.....	3	65 85			65 85	
172	Novem'er 11..	5. E. corner 7th avenue and 12th street.....	James E. Serrell, surveyor.....	134 feet profile.....	3	4 02			4 02	do do
				134 feet final survey.....	4 1/2	6 03			6 03	
				119 feet map front.....	3	3 57			3 57	
173	Novem'er 13..	N. S. 37th street, 7th avenue to 8th avenue.....	Alex. F. Dodge, surveyor.....	359 4-12 feet work.....	3	10 78			10 78	do do
				392 10-12 feet map front.....	3	11 76			11 76	
174	Novem'er 13..	40th street, 1st avenue to 2d avenue.....	Frank E. Towle, surveyor.....	750 feet profile.....	5	37 50			37 50	do do
				650 feet final survey.....	8	52 00			52 00	
				1,892 feet map front.....	3	56 76			56 76	
175	Novem'er 13..	8d street, 4th avenue to 5th avenue.....	Frank E. Towle, surveyor.....	1,020 feet profile.....	5	51 00			51 00	do do
				820 feet final survey.....	11	90 20			90 20	
				2,457 feet map front.....	3	73 71			73 71	
176	Novem'er 13..	84th street, 8th avenue to 10th avenue.....	Frank E. Towle, surveyor.....	1,800 feet profile.....	5	90 05			90 05	do do
				1,600 feet final survey.....	5	80 00			80 00	
				4,017 feet map front.....	3	120 51			120 51	
177	Novem'er 14..	N. S. 53d street, 5th avenue to 6th avenue.....	James Slattery, contractor.....	1,234 feet flagging.....	28	345 52			345 52	do do
178	Novem'er 14..	5. E. corner 7th avenue and 12th street,.....	Thomas J. Hinch, contractor.....	1,163 1/2 feet flagging.....	28	325 45			325 45	do do
				148 3/4 feet flagging relaid.....	6	8 80			8 80	
179	Novem'er 14..	Lexington avenue, 61st to 66th streets.....	Daniel Crowley, contractor.....	25 feet curb and gutter.....	1 00	25 00			25 00	do do
				1,930 feet flagging.....	23	1,365 97			1,365 97	
				1,239 feet flagging relaid.....						
180	Novem'er 14..	117th street, 7th avenue to 8th avenue.....	Th. & J. D. Crimmins, contractors.....	0,355 yards filling.....	1 49	15,428 93			15,428 93	do do
181	Novem'er 17..	120th street, 7th avenue to 8th avenue.....	Th. & J. D. Crimmins, contractors.....	3,800 yards filling.....	1 59	4,452 00			4,452 00	do do
182	Novem'er 24..	N. S. 37th street, 7th to 8th avenue.....	Thomas J. Hinch, contractor.....	2,665 73-100 feet flagging.....	28	746 42			746 42	do do
183	Novem'er 24..	84th street, 8th avenue to 10th avenue.....	Abm. Dowdney, contractor.....	33 yards earth.....	1 00	33 00			33 00	do do
				7,130 yards filling.....	1 47	10,481 10			10,481 10	
184	Novem'er 24..	40th street, 1st avenue to 2d avenue.....	Charles C. Reed, contractor.....	6,246 yards earth.....	1 00	6,246 00			6,246 00	do do
				1,248 yards rock.....	2 00	4,106 00			4,106 00	
				1,252 feet curb and gutter.....	1 00	1,752 00			1,752 00	
185	Novem'er 24..	145th street, 7th avenue to Boulevard.....	Fairchild & Ward, contractors.....	8,700 yards earth.....	45	7,480 00			7,480 00	do do
				17,447 yards rock.....	1 00	43,015 20			43,015 20	
				5,129 yards filling.....	60	33,767 40			33,767 40	
186	Novem'er 24..	18th street, 8th avenue to 10th avenue.....	David Babcock, contractor.....	400 yards rock.....	2 74	1,096 00			1,096 00	do do
				1,160 yards filling.....	1 46	1,066 00			1,066 00	
187	Novem'er 24..	59 h street, 3d avenue to East river.....	Patrick H. Lydon, contractor.....	4,720 yards earth.....	37	1,746 40			1,746 40	do do
				100 yards rock.....	1 50	900 00			900 00	
188	Novem'er 24..	135th street, 8th avenue to Harlem river.....	E. J. Quirk, contractor.....	108 yards earth.....	1 00	108 00			108 00	do do
				285 yards filling.....	1 75	498 75			498 75	
				100 feet curb and gutter.....	1 00	100 00			100 00	
				8,868 feet flagging.....	25	2,052 00			2,052 00	
189	Novem'er 28..	N. S. 13th street, 415 to avenue A.....	Michael Gavin, contractor.....	2,659 42-100 feet flagging.....	23 1/2	624 96			624 96	do do
				281 38-100 ft. flagging relaid.....	1	2 62			2 62	
190	Novem'er 28..	59th street, 1st to 2d avenues.....	James Slattery, contractor.....	2,000 feet flagging.....	28	360 00			360 00	do do
				924 feet flagging reset.....						
191	Novem'er 28..	8th avenue, 59th to 77th streets.....	James Slattery, contractor.....	3,361 feet curb and gutter.....	40	1,344 40			1,344 40	do do
				1,041 feet flagging.....	15	574 00			574 00	
192	Novem'er 28..	8th avenue, 81st to 100th streets.....	John B. Devlin, contractor.....	621 feet curb and gutter.....	85	527 85			527 85	do do
				6,155 feet flagging.....	25	9,387 55			9,387 55	
193	Novem'er 28..	S. E. corner of Broadway and 33d streets.....	Jeremiah Mahoney, contractor.....	10 feet curb and gutter.....						
				120 feet curb and gutter.....						
				1,245 feet flagging.....	18 1/2	230 32			230 32	

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204	Novem' er 29.	61st street, Boulevard to 9th avenue.....	Eug. E. McLean, surveyor.....	538 feet profile.....	5	26 90		26 90	do do
205	Novem' er 29.	59th street, 1st avenue to 2d avenue.....	W. V. Smith, surveyor.....	328 feet work..... 1,700 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet map front.....	3 3	9 84 51 02	60 86	60 86	do do
206	Novem' er 29.	102d street, 4th avenue to 5th avenue.....	W. V. Smith, surveyor.....	970 feet profile.....	5	48 50		48 50	do do
207	Novem' er 29.	Gansevoort street, West street to North river.....	W. V. Smith, surveyor.....	545 feet profile..... 500 feet work..... 1,138 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet map front.....	5 11 3	27 25 55 00 34 15			do do
208	Novem' er 29.	N. S. 53d street, 5th to 6th avenues.....	Charles K. Graham, surveyor.....	83 feet work..... 115 feet map front.....	3 3	2 49 3 45	116 40	27 25	89 15 do do
209	Novem' er 29.	N. S. 57th street, 250 feet east of 9th avenue.....	Charles K. Graham, surveyor.....	104 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet work..... 150 feet map front.....	3 3	3 14 4 50	5 94	5 94	do do
210	Novem' er 29.	N. S. 61st street, 2d to 3d avenues.....	Charles K. Graham, surveyor.....	197 feet work..... 197 feet map front.....	3 3	5 91 5 91	7 64	7 64	do do
211	Novem' er 29.	Inspecting contract work.....	Inspector's pay roll.....	913 working days.....	3 00	2,739 00	11 82	11 82	do do
212	December 5.	80th street, 8th avenue to River drive.....	H. H. Brown, contractor.....	2,375 yards rock.....	1 28	3,040 00		2,739 00	do do
213	December 9.	77th street, 9th avenue to Boulevard.....	John S. Masterson, contractor.....	3,500 yards rock.....	2 50	8,750 00		2,128 00	do do
214	December 9.	120th street, 7th to 8th avenue.....	T. H. & J. D. Crimmins, contractors.	12,249 yards filling.....	1 59	19,471 14		6,125 00	do do
215	December 9.	51st street, 1st avenue to 3d avenue.....	John Stewart, contractor.....	4,088 8-10 feet flagging..... 84 8-10 feet flagging relaid.....	21 1 1/2	858 64 1 27		8,681 40	10,789 74 do do
216	December 9.	N. S. Monroe street, Corlears street to 311 Monroe st.	Thomas L. Butler, contractor.....	800 feet flagging.....	28	224 00		859 91	do do
217	December 9.	N. S. Corlears street, No. 1 to Monroe street.....	Thomas L. Butler, contractor.....	568 feet flagging.....	28	159 04		224 00	do do
218	December 9.	N. S. Corlears street, No. 1 to Monroe street.....	Alex. F. Dodge, surveyor.....	74 feet work..... 80 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet map front.....	3 3	2 22 2 41		159 04	do do
219	December 9.	N. S. Monroe street, Corlears street to 311 Monroe st.	Alex. F. Dodge, surveyor.....	101 feet work..... 184 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet map front.....	3 3	3 03 5 54	4 63	4 63	do do
220	December 9.	51st street, 1st avenue to 3d avenue.....	Chas. H. Haswell, surveyor.....	526 feet work..... 535 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet map front.....	3 3	15 78 16 66	8 57	8 57	do do
221	December 9.	120th street, 7th avenue to 8th avenue.....	Frank E. Towle, surveyor.....	990 feet profile..... 658 feet reg. and grading..... 2,241 feet map front.....	5 5 3	45 00 32 90 67 23	31 84	31 84	do do
222	December 9.	135th street, 8th avenue to Harlem river.....	Frank E. Towle, surveyor.....	3,840 feet profile..... 3,320 feet work..... 8,478 feet map front..... Binding Assessment List.....	7 11 3 3	268 80 365 20 254 34 3 00	145 13	145 13	do do
223	December 9.	8th avenue, 100th to 122d streets.....	Slattery & White, contractors.....	3,016 yards rock..... 21,644 yards filling.....	2 00 1 12 $\frac{1}{2}$	6,036 00 24,349 50	891 34	891 34	do do
224	December 10.	92d street, 8th avenue to Boulevard.....	Eug. E. McLean, surveyor.....	2,050 feet profile.....	5	102 50		21,267 05	do do
225	December 10.	75th street, 5th avenue to East river.....	Patrick Farley, contractor.....	533 yards rock..... 3,668 yards filling..... 594 feet curb and gutter..... 5,108 feet flagging.....	2 00 45 1 00 25	1,066 00 1,650 60 594 00 1,277 00		102 50	do do
226	December 12.	Madison avenue, 86th to 99th streets.....	Terrence McGuire, contractor.....	3,282 yards rock..... 4,158 yards filling.....	2 50 1 40	8,205 00 5,821 20	4,587 60	1,376 28	3,211 32 do do
227	December 15.	152d street, Avenue St. Nicholas to 11th avenue.....	John Murray, contractor.....	3,865 yards earth..... 400 yards rock..... 580 feet curb and gutter.....	33 1 85 76	1,275 45 740 00 440 80		14,026 20	4,207 86 do do
228	December 15.	106th street, 3d avenue to East river.....	Daniel Crowley, contractor.....	5,000 yards filling.....	83	4,150 00		1,245 00	1,719 37 do de
229	December 15.	82d street, 8th avenue to Boulevard.....	Henry Tone, Adm., contractor.....	3,000 yards rock.....	1 90	5,700 00		1,710 00	2,905 00 do do
230	December 16.	84th street, Boulevard to River Drive.....	Henry Tone, Adm., contractor.....	6,000 yards filling..... 2,000 feet flagging.....	77 20	4,620 00 400 00		5,020 00	3,514 00 do do
231	December 24.	68th street, 3d avenue to East river.....	John Gillespie, contractor.....	2,500 yards earth..... 1,300 yards rock.....	35 1 40	875 00 1,820 00		1,506 00	1,886 50 do do
232	December 24.	119th street, 4th avenue to 8th avenue.....	Dennis McCarthy, contractor.....	1,500 yards rock..... 2,100 feet curb and gutter.....	1 48 10	2,220 00 210 00		2,695 00	808 50 do do
233	December 24.	61st street, 9th avenue to 10th avenue.....	James Clark, contractor.....	217 feet curb and gutter..... 7,883 feet flagging..... 2,841 feet flagging relaid.....	80 19 4	173 60 1,497 77 113 64	2,430 00	729 00	1,701 00 do de
234	December 24.	57th street, 9th avenue to 10th avenue.....	James Clark, contractor.....	14,068 feet flagging.....	21	3,143 24		1,785 01	1,17,00 1,668 01 do do
235	December 24.	N. S. Front street, Montgomery to Gouverneur sts...	Thomas L. Butler, contractor.....	1,448 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet flagging.....	28	405 44		120 00	3,023 26 do do
236	December 24.	S. S. 54th street, 6th to 7th avenues.....	Thomas G. Hinch, contractor.....	2,184 feet flagging..... 256 feet flagging relaid.....	28	611 52		405 44	do do
237	December 24.	N. S. 14th st., 331 to 347, between 1st and 2d avenues.	Joseph Tracy, contractor.....	2,175 feet flagging.....	28	609 00		611 52	do do
238	December 24.	N. S. 52d st., commencing 5th avenue, 175 feet west..	Joseph Tracy, contractor.....	2,418 66-100 feet flagging.....	28	677 22		609 00	do do
239	December 24.	N. S. 54th street, 120 feet east 2d avenue.....	Joseph Tracy, contractor.....	808 67-100 feet flagging.....	28	226 42		677 22	do do
240	December 24.	N. S. 57th street, 250 feet east 9th avenue.....	Joseph Tracy, contractor.....	1,537 50-100 feet flagging.....	28	430 51		226 42	do do
241	December 24.	61st street, 9th avenue to 10th avenue.....	Eug. E. McLean, surveyor.....	900 feet profile..... 1,340 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet work..... 1,588 feet map front.....	4 4 1/2 3	36 00 60 32 47 64	143 96	36 00	107 96 do do
242	December 24.	75th street, 5th avenue to East river.....	Frank E. Towle, surveyor.....	5,000 feet profile..... 4,364 feet work..... 11,597 feet map front..... Binding Assessment List.....	5 11 3 3	250 45 480 04 347 91 5 00		1,083 40	1,083 40 do
243	December 24.	126th street, 8th avenue to Lawrence street.....	W. V. Smith, surveyor.....	1,030 feet profile..... 699 feet work..... 2,661 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet map front.....	5 11 3	51 50 76 89 79 84	208 23	51 50	156 73 do do
244	December 24.	57th street, 9th avenue to 10th avenue.....	W. V. Smith, surveyor.....	1,325 feet flagging..... 2,001 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet map front.....	3 3	39 75 60 05		99 80	99 80 do do
245	December 24.	N. S. 14th st., 331 to 347, between 1st and 2d avenues.	Alex. F. Dodge, surveyor.....	150 feet flagging..... 150 feet map front.....	3 3	4 50 4 50		9 00	do do
246	December 24.	N. S. 52d street, commencing 5th avenue, 475 feet west	Alex. F. Dodge, surveyor.....	230 feet flagging..... 235 5-12 feet map front.....	3 3	6 00 6 76		13 66	do do
247	December 24.	N. S. 54th street, 125 feet east 2d avenue.....	Alex. F. Dodge, surveyor.....	78 feet flagging..... 86 feet map front.....	3 3	2 34 2 51		4 92	do do
248	December 24.	N. S. 57th street, 250 feet east 9th avenue.....	Alex. F. Dodge, surveyor.....	150 feet flagging..... 150 feet map front.....	3 3	4 50 4 50		9 00	do do
249	December 24.	N. S. Front street, Montgomery to Gouverneur sts...	Alex. F. Dodge, surveyor.....	200 7-12 feet flagging..... 321 8-12 feet map front.....	3 3	6 02 9 65		67	do do
250	December 24.	S. S. 54th street, 6th to 7th avenues.....	T. & J. Slater, surveyors.....	305 feet flagging..... 300 feet map front.....	3 3	9 15 9 00	18 15	18 15	do do
251	December 31.	Examining works under contract.....	Richard Gibbs, Supt. Street Imp'ts.	Travel'g exp., wagon hire 2 mos	250 00	41 66		41 66	Contingencies, D. P. W.
252	December 31.	67th street, 3d to 4th avenues.....	Frank E. Towle, surveyor.....	1,028 feet profile..... 825 feet work..... 2,453 feet map front.....	5 11 3	51 00 90 75 73 59	215 34	215 34	Street rev., grading, etc. do do
253	December 31.	Inspecting contract work.....	Inspector's pay roll.....	1,002 working days.....	3 00	3,006 00		3,006 00	\$208,160 40
						\$384,027 00		\$175,858 03	

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
BUREAU OF STREET IMPROVEMENTS,
NEW YORK, December 31, 1873.

List of Contracts made and entered since November 1st, 1873.

DATE.	CONTRACT.	CONTRACTOR.	TIME.	ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF COST.
Nov. 29	Reg. and grad. 86th street, 8th ave. to 10th ave.	R. A. Tracy.....	150 Days.	\$28,668 00
" 20	" 92d street, 8th ave. to Boulevard	J. T. Doyle.....	30	6,518 20
" 25	Flagging 57th street, 11th ave. to Hudson River	John Slattery.....	9	1,501 00
" 29	Curbing, guttering and flagging 78th st., 3d to 5th aves	C. Ward.....	20	1,726 50
Dec. 1	Regulating and grading 50th street, 3d ave. to E River	D. Crowley.....	90	7,421 50
" 13	Flagging 69th street, 3d to 4th aves.	Frank Stollmeyer.....	20	2,527 50
" 10	Reg. grad. Madison ave. 124th street to Harlem River	A. D. Campbell.....	90	15,970 00
Nov. 28	" 24th street, 11th avenue to North River	Michael Gavin.....	50	2,609 92
	" 60th street, 1st avenue to Avenue A		150	10,650 00

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
BUREAU OF LAMPS AND GAS,
NEW YORK, December 31, 1873.

Geo. M. Van Nort, Esq., Commissioner Public Works,

SIR: In compliance with the directions contained in your circular letter of 29th instant, I submit the following report and accompanying exhibits, showing the transactions of the Bureau of Lamps and Gas for the two months ending this date. In exhibit A will be found an abstract of all vouchers certified by me during the months of November and December, and in exhibit B a statement showing the various purposes for which said expenditures were made. Exhibit C is a summary of the appropriation for lamps and gas for the year 1873, showing an expenditure for the two months just passed for seventy-nine thousand and four dollars and thirty-seven cents (\$79,043.37), and for the year, of six hundred and twenty thousand five hundred and fifty-four dollars and ninety-three cents (\$620,554.93), leaving an available balance of seventy-nine thousand four hundred and forty-five dollars and seven cents (\$79,445.07). In this statement will also be found a list comprising all the outstanding liabilities for work done or supplies furnished during the year 1873, showing the total liabilities to be one hundred and twenty-seven thousand and seventy-two dollars and ninety-three cents (\$127,072.93), leaving a deficiency in the appropriation for 1873 of forty-seven thousand six hundred and twenty-seven dollars and eighty-six cents (\$47,627.86). This deficiency was caused by the action of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment in reducing the amount asked for by the then Superintendent of Lamps and Gas to the extent of fifty thousand dollars. The estimate of the amount required for lamps and gas for 1873 was made up in the month of November, 1872, and I am informed that the same was prepared with great care, and with the strictest attention to economy and the proper conduct of the business of this Bureau. The amount called for in said estimate was seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$750,000). The amount appropriated, however, by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment was seven hundred thousand dollars; hence the deficiency shown above, notwithstanding the economy exercised during the year in the procurement of supplies for the public lamps, in the removal of extra lamps, and in the erection of new lamps in the upper sections of the city. Many persons have called at the office during the past four months and complained at the seeming neglect of this department in not erecting lamps in new streets up town, in which buildings had been completed during the year, stating that it was impossible for them to either sell or let their houses in consequence of a want of gas light in the street, and that the trouble taken by them in procuring the passage of resolutions through the Common Council was utterly useless, inasmuch as this department did not comply with the resolutions when adopted. When the matter was explained, however, and the reduction in the amount asked for shown them, the parties have all been satisfied that the trouble laid elsewhere than at the doors of this department.

In exhibit D will be found a summary of the lamp account, showing the number of new lamps lighted, old lamps re-lighted, and lamps discontinued by each Gas Company during the year, with the total number of lamps lighted by each on December 31, 1873, showing the total number of extra lamps discontinued to be five hundred and twenty-five. I also show in this statement the number of public lamps in the towns of Morrisania and West Farms, inasmuch as by Sec. 11, Chap. 613, Laws of 1873, being the Act to provide for the annexation of those towns, as also the town of Kingsbridge, to this city, these lamps will on and after January 1, 1874, be under the control and supervision of this Department, and I shall cause, at an early day, an accurate count to be made of the number of lamps in these towns and the location thereof entered in the lamp books of this Bureau.

In the town of Morrisania, to be the 23d Ward, there are fifteen hundred and eighty-three public lamps, (as I am informed,) lighted by the Westchester Gas Light Company under a contract dated December 23, 1870, for the term of ten years. The prices agreed to be paid for lighting the public lamps are as follows: for the first three years the price to be at the rate of fifty dollars per annum for each lamp; for the fourth and fifth years (1874 and 1875), forty-eight dollars per annum, and for the remainder of the term the sum of forty-five dollars per annum for each lamp. The lighting, cleaning and re-glazing of the lamps and replacing the cocks, tubes and burners to be at the expense of the Company.

In the town of West Farms, to be a portion of the 24th Ward, there are nine hundred and thirty-two public lamps lighted by the Suburban Gaslight Company, under a contract dated December 5th 1870, for the term of ten years from January 1, 1871, at the rate of fifty dollars per annum for each lamp for the whole term of the contract. The necessary repairs to the lamps to be made by the Gas Company and the cost price thereof to be charged to the town.

In the town of Kingsbridge no public lamps have as yet been erected, although I am informed that the same are required on the principal thoroughfares running north and south through said town. I include herewith an estimate of the amount necessary to be appropriated for lighting the lamps in these towns during the year 1874, for which see exhibit E.

By the proposals received and opened this day for lighting of the public lamps, a material and gratifying reduction will be made in the expenditures of this Bureau. At the price bid by the several Gaslight Companies a saving will be effected in the matter of lighting sixty-five thousand four hundred and fifty-four dollars per annum, which, added to the amount saved in the discontinuance of five hundred and ninety-eight extra lamps during the years 1872 and 1873, will make a total saving of over eighty-six thousand dollars. If the contracts should be made in accordance with the specifications prepared under your direction, it will be the first time in the history of this city that proper contracts have been made for lighting the public lamps. In the original contracts for this work all that was provided for was merely lighting the public lamps with gas. Nothing was said about the quality, and inasmuch as the poorer the gas the cheaper its cost of manufacture, it is to be presumed that no great expense would be made in furnishing an excellent quality. No mention was made of either cleaning, reglazing, or replacing the cocks, tubes, and burners, etc. The matter of cleaning is a very important item, next, in fact, to the quality of the gas, for however good the gas may be, unless the glass in the lamps is kept clean, the light given to the street must be a very poor one. The lamps in this respect have frequently been in a very discreditable condition, but there was no power in this department to cause the lamps to be cleaned as often as desirable. The instructions given to the lighters by the gas companies direct them to clean the lamps once in each week, and in some cases three times in each month. In very dry and windy weather the lamps cannot be kept clean under the above regulation, because it has often happened that the day succeeding the one on which the lamps were cleaned was ushered in with high winds, while the streets were in a dusty condition, and hence the lamps at once became dirty, and inasmuch as cleaning day was a week, hence it will readily be seen why the public lamps have frequently been in a discreditable condition. In the new specifications this matter has been provided for, as it is provided that the lamps shall be cleaned once in each week, and oftener if the Commissioner of Public Works shall so direct; and it is to be hoped that in future the condition of the lamps will reflect more credit on the several gas companies. The specifications also provide for the reglazing of the lamps and replacing the cocks, tubes, and burners, cross-heads, lamp irons, and lanterns.

The following is a schedule showing the number of lamp posts fitted up, reset, straightened, removed, etc., by each gas company during the year:

	New lamps fitted up.....	Lamp posts reset.....	Lamp posts straightened.....	Leaded columns.....	Stand pipes re-fitted.....	Service pipes re-fitted.....	Moved lamp posts re-set.....	Lamp posts raised.....	Lamp posts lowered.....	Lamp posts.....
New York Gas Company.....	5	97	57	118	61	...	10	1	...	
Manhattan Gas Company.....	14	67	40	30	63	...	39	1	...	
Metropolitan Gas Company.....	148	57	9	...	...	...	70	...	...
Harlem Gas Company.....	364	78	22	7	2	19	165	3	2	
New York Mutual Gas Company.....	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total.....	537	319	128	155	126	19	284	5	2	

The number of complaints and reports entered on the complaint book, exclusive of the weekly reports of the police, amount to twelve hundred and sixty-three during the year.

The number of communications written amount to eleven hundred and forty-three of which letter press copies were taken. Those were all indexed with an abstract stating the nature of each, and may be classified as follows: To Gas Companies 827, to various individuals 119, and to the Commissioner of Public Works, chief clerk and contract clerk 197.

The number of resolutions received from the Common Council amount to 72, all of which have been copied in the resolution book and properly indorsed.

Respectfully submitted,
ANDREW KINNIS,
Supt. Lamps and Gas.

EXHIBIT "A."

Abstract of Vouchers certified by Andrew Kinnis, Superintendent of Lamps and Gas, on account of the Appropriation for Lamps and Gas for the year 1873, during the two months ending December 31, 1873:

DATE OF VOUCHER.	NO. OF VOUCHER.	IN WHOSE FAVOR.	FOR WHAT PURPOSE.	AMOUNT.
Oct. 31....	260	Pay roll.....	Lighting Markets, month of October.....	\$95 00
Oct. 31....	261	Pay roll.....	Painting public lamps, month of October.....	162 00
June 30....	262	George A. Barney.....	Glass street signs.....	974 25
Oct. 24....	263	J. W. Bartlett.....	120 street lamp globes.....	300 00
Oct. 31....	264	Andrew Miller.....	Cartages, month of October.....	59 75
Nov. 1....	265	Harlem Gas Light Company.....	Gas to public offices, &c., from May 1 to Nov. 1.....	180 00
Nov. 8....	266	Benj. S. Tyndall.....	Lettering street signs on globe lamps.....	28 00
Nov. 29....	267	Pay roll.....	Painting markets, month of November.....	95 00
Nov. 20....	268	Pay roll.....	Lighting public lamps, month of Nov.....	144 00
Oct. 30....	269	William V. Crissey & Co.....	Japan paint.....	47
Nov. 7....	270	Stevens & McLean.....	200 crossheads.....	330 00
Nov. 8....	271	Composite Iron Works.....	2 lamp-posts and lamps.....	128 00
Nov. 11....	272	F. W. Devos & Co.....	Supply of putty.....	14 35
Nov. 13....	273	J. M. Heatheron & Co.....	300 street lamps.....	795 00
Sept. 30....	274	Metropolitan Gas Light Co.....	Lighting public lamps, month of September.....	13,579 18
Oct. 31....	275	Metropolitan Gas Light Co.....	Lighting public lamps, month of October.....	13,707 37
Oct. 31....	276	New York Gas Light Co.....	Lighting public lamps, month of October.....	10,029 09
Oct. 31....	277	Manhattan Gas Light Co.....	Lighting public lamps, month of October.....	22,212 71
Oct. 31....	278	Harlem Gas Light Co.....	Lighting public lamps, month of October.....	13,734 59
Nov. 1....	279	N. Y. Mutual Gas Light Co.....	Lighting public lamps, month of October.....	19 50
Nov. 1....	280	New York Gas Light Co.....	Gas to public markets, &c., from Aug. 1 to Nov. 1.....	2,284 93
Nov. 29....	281	Metropolitan Gas Light Co.....	Gas to Fourth District Police Court, from Aug. 30 to Nov. 29.....	131 18
			Total.....	\$79,004 37

EXHIBIT "B."

Statement showing the amounts paid for gas to the various public markets, offices, etc., and for lighting, fitting, and repairing the public lamps, etc., for the two months ending December 31, 1873:

Washington Market.....	\$600 59
Catharine Country Market.....	65 45
Catharine Meat.....	29 15
Fulton Meat.....	198 68
Fulton Country.....	268 18
Gouverneur.....	7 70
First District Police Court.....	\$1,170 11
Fourth " " ".....	177 39
Fifth " " ".....	131 18
Second " Civil ".....	165 60
	4 67
City Hall.....	\$178 89
Corporation Counsel.....	725 79
Corporation Attorney.....	10 79
Receiver of Taxes.....	69 08
South Gate House.....	127 39
	14 40
Lighting Public Lamps.....	\$947 18
Fitting up New Lamps.....	71,914 94
Resetting and Repairing Lamp Posts.....	512 00
	983 58
Lighting Public Markets.....	\$2,596 11
Paint's and Painting Public Lamps.....	190 00
Street Signs for Public Lamps.....	306 00
Street Lamp Globes.....	1,02 72
Street Lamps.....	300 00
Cr sheads.....	795 00
Putty for Reglazing Public Lamps.....	330 00
Cartages.....	14 35
	59 75
Total.....	\$79,104 37

EXHIBIT "C."

Summary of the appropriation for lamps and gas for the year 1873, showing the balance available on December 31st, with the amount of liabilities for gas, &c., furnished in November and December.

Amount of the appropriation for 1873.....	\$700,000 00
Amount expended to October 31.....	\$541,550 56
Amount of vouchers certified November and December.....	79,004 37
Total amount of vouchers certified in year 1873 on account of the appropriation for 1873.....	62

MANHATTAN GAS-LIGHT CO.

Number of lamps burning Dec. 31, 1872.....	6,853
" new lamps lighted during the year 1873.....	14
" old " re-lighted "	22
Less lamps transferred to account of Department of Parks.....	39
" " discontinued for street improvements.....	14
" extra lamps discontinued.....	259

METROPOLITAN GAS-LIGHT CO.

Number of lamps burning December 31, 1872.....	4,010
" new lamps lighted during the year 1873.....	148
" old " re-lighted "	118
" lamps transferred from account of Department of Parks.....	89

Less lamps transferred to account of Department of Parks.....	26
" " discontinued for street improvements.....	175
" extra lamps discontinued.....	158

HARLEM GAS-LIGHT CO.

Number of lamps burning December 31, 1872.....	4,106
" new lamps lighted during the year 1873.....	364
" old " re-lighted "	88

Less lamps transferred to account of Department of Parks.....	32
" " discontinued for street improvements.....	222
" extra lamps discontinued.....	72

NEW YORK MUTUAL GAS-LIGHT CO.

Number of new lamps lighted during the year 1873.....	.....
Total number of lamps burning Dec. 31, 1873.....	.....

RECAPITULATION.

Number of lamps burning December 31, 1872.....	18,016
" new lamps lighted during the year 1873.....	537
" old " re-lighted "	234
" lamps transferred from account of Department of Parks.....	89

Less lamps transferred to account of Department of Parks.....	108
" " discontinued for various street improvements.....	426
" extra lamps discontinued.....	525

WESTCHESTER COUNTY GAS-LIGHT CO.

In town of Morrisania, to be Twenty-third Ward.....
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SUBURBAN GAS-LIGHT CO.

In town of West Farms, to be portion of Twenty-fourth Ward.....
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Total number of lamps, including Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.....
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Exhibit "E."

Estimate of the amount necessary to be appropriated for the lighting, etc., of the public lamps in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, for the year 1874.

TWENTY-THIRD WARD.

Lighting 1,557 lamps one year at \$48.....	\$74,736 00
" 50 new lamps, say six months, at \$58.....	1,200 00
50 new lamp posts, lanterns, etc., at \$18.....	900 00
Fitting up 50 new lamp posts at \$12.....	600 00

TWENTY-FOURTH WARD.

Lighting 932 lamps one year at \$50.....	\$46,600 00
" 50 new lamps, say six months, at \$50.....	1,250 00
50 new lamp posts, lanterns, etc., at \$18.....	900 00
Fitting up 50 new lamp posts at \$12.....	600 00
Repairing lamps, posts, etc.....	250 00

Total.....

\$127,036 00

BUREAU OF REPAIRS AND SUPPLIES,
Superintendent's Office, City Hall, Room 18.
NEW YORK, January 2, 1874.

Hon. George M. Van Nort, Commissioner Public Works:

SIR—In accordance with the instructions contained in your letter, dated December 2, 1873, I make the following report of the transactions of the Bureau for the two months ending December 31, 1873:

680 contracts have been made, 184 vouchers have been transmitted; amounting to the sum of \$35,838.75.

The number of persons employed under this Bureau are as follows:

- 1 attendant in Governor's Room at \$1 per day.
- 39 cleaners and laborers, male and female, \$2 per day.
- 2 keepers of Corporation yards, \$3 per day.
- 1 engineer, Fourth District Court, \$3 per day.
- 1 watchman, free floating baths, \$3 per day.

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Respectfully,

A. J. CAMPBELL,
Superintendent Repairs and Supplies.

BUREAU OF INCUMBRANCES
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
December 31st, 1873.

Hon. George M. Van Nort, Commissioner of Public Works:

SIR: In compliance with directions contained in your letter of the 29th inst., I have the honor to make the following report:

There was received at this office during the months of November and December, 1873, 247 complaints of obstructions and incumbrances on streets and sidewalks.

A large number of said complaints were against the booths and stands about Vesey, Fulton, Greenwich, Washington and West streets adjacent to Washington Market. The parties complained of were duly notified to remove in five days after such notification. The President and Secretary of the Market Association asked for delay to enable the corporation counsel to write and publish his opinion as to the power and duties of this Department to remove obstructions from sidewalks adjoining the market. His decision was given, and in favor of this Department. Other applications were again made to delay the removal of said stands until after January 1st, 1874.

On account of the small amount of money remaining unexpended of the appropriation made to this Bureau for the year 1873, it was deemed advisable to delay the removal of said booths and stands until after the 1st of January 1874. This action was concurred in by His Honor the Mayor.

The other complaints were against stands, posts, boxes, goods, show cases, hay and other obstructions on sidewalks, and signs and awnings over sidewalks, and wagons, trucks, cars, stones, posts and other obstructions on streets.

Notices were duly made out and served on parties complained of, and in nearly all cases the parties themselves removed the obstructions. In cases of default the Inspectors of this Bureau were directed to remove the incumbrances to the Corporation yard. In several cases however persons receiving notices to remove, issued by this Bureau, presented at this office permits from His Honor the Mayor permitting the incumbrances complained of. In all such cases the parties complaining were duly notified of that fact, and no further action was taken by this Bureau.

There was also issued from this Bureau during the said months fifty-two permits to builders to temporarily place building materials on the streets, to build or repair buildings. The amount of street surface allowed in such permits does not exceed six feet outside the curbstone, and directly in front of the building to be erected or repaired.

There was also issued from this Bureau eighteen notices to parties to repair sidewalks. The complaints of this character are generally against sidewalks in front of vacant lots, and the parties complaining seldom have knowledge of the names of the owner or owners. In such cases examinations are made at the tax office or other proper places.

In all complaints of this character the owner of the lot or lots aforesaid, are found out and an Inspector of this Bureau is specially directed to serve the notice upon such owner.

There was also issued four permits to cut down trees. The permits are issued upon written applications of the party who desires the tree cut down with the consent of an Alderman and Assistant Alderman and the owner of the property in which the tree is desired to be removed, endorsed thereon.

Dangerous and rotten trees are cut down by order of this Bureau (upon complaint) and removed to the Corporation yard, at the expense of the city.
All of which is respectfully submitted.

Very respectfully,
E. B. SHAFER,
Superintendent of Incumbrances.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
BUREAU OF SEWERS,
NEW YORK, January 5, 1874.

Hon. George M. Van Nort, Commissioner of Public Works:

SIR:—In compliance with your instructions of the 29th ult., I beg leave to submit a report of the transactions of the Bureau of Sewers for the month ending December 31, 1873:

The following is a statement of the receipts and expenditures, the contracts executed, and the work done:

RECEIPTS.

I.—The number of permits granted for the making of connections with sewers was 133, and the amount received from the same source and credited to the General Fund. \$2,040 00
II.—The amount received from the sale of sewer pipe, and credited to the Street Improvement Fund. 10,431 27
The amount of Surveyors Fees, assessable on property benefitted, and charged on assessment lists, to be credited to the Street Improvement Fund. 30,734 00

EXPENDITURES.

I.—Street Improvement Fund.—The various expenditures under this Fund forms no part of the expenses of the city, which is reimbursed by the collection of assessments imposed upon the property benefitted by the improvement.
Vouchers were transmitted to the Commissioner of Public Works, amounting to. \$347,954 09

EXPENDITURES.

Sewers, drains, culverts and receiving basins. \$330,930 15
Pay Roll—Engineer, Assistants, &c. 7,388 44
Inspectors on Sewers. 9,572 00
Sundries. 63 50

\$347,954 09

II.—Sewer Repairing and Cleaning.—The expenditures under this head are for the repairing and cleaning of sewers and their appurtenances, which are done by days work, with the exception of the receiving basins and culverts, which are cleaned by contract.

During the period referred to, 4,825 feet of sewers, and 2,268 receiving basins were cleaned. Balance of account November 1, 1873. \$25,252 77

EXPENDITURES.

Foster & Holland, contractors, cleaning receiving basins. \$12,000 00
Thomas & John D. Crimmins, cleaning sewers. 4,594 75
Repairing Sewers, &c. 6,719 63
Pay Roll—Mechanics and Laborers. 2,295 00

\$25,252 77

III.—Sewer Repair Stock.—This fund is applied to the payment of the re-building of the whole, or a portion of any existing sewer, or in making material repairs to the same, for which purpose bonds are issued on the City of New York, not to exceed in any one year the sum of \$100,000. Unexpended balance, November 1, 1873. \$78,988 88

EXPENDITURES.

Thomas & John D. Crimmins, repairing sewers. \$4,835 00
Unexpended balance, Dec. 31, 1873. 74,153 88

\$78,988 88

CONTRACTS ENTERED INTO DURING THE TWO MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1873.

SEWERS AND DRAINS.

Outlet sewer from end of present sewer in Manhattan street to and through 130th street to Hudson River; and sewers in the New Avenue (between 8th and 9th aves.), from 105th to Manhattan street, and in 124th street, between 7th ave. and Manhattan street, with branches. Fifth ave., bet. 40th and 41st sts.

Tenth ave., bet. Lawrence and 130th sts.

Little W. 12th st., bet. 10th ave. and Hudson River.

95th and 98th sts., bet. 1st and 3d aves., and in 1st ave., bet. 95th and 100th streets, with branches.

111th and 112th sts., bet. 1st ave. and Avenue A.

Broome st., bet. Mulberry and Mott sts.

Elm st., bet. Grand and Broome.

Outlet in 106th st., bet. Harlem River and 5th ave., with branches in 1st, 2d, 3d, and 4th aves., and in 103d st.

Cannon st., bet. Grand and Broome sts.

Drains bet. 62d and 69th sts., and bet. Boulevard and Hudson River.

RECEIVING BASINS.

Northeast corner of Peck Slip and Water st.

Northwest corner of Tompkins and Rivington sts.

Southwest corner of Grand and Mott sts.

Southwest corner of Grand and Elizabeth sts.

During the two months referred to, 27,547 lineal feet of sewers, 470 lineal feet of drains, 1,328 lineal feet of culvert, and 44 receiving basins were built, making the total length of sewerage in the city 1,700,263 lineal feet (322 miles), and 3,952 receiving basins.

Respectfully submitted.

STEVENSON TOWLE,
Engineer in Charge of Sewers.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
BUREAU OF CONSTRUCTION OF ROADS AND AVENUES,
Room No. 1834 City Hall,
NEW YORK, January 1, 1874.

Hon. Geo. M. Van Nort, Commissioner of Public Works:

SIR:—Agreeably to your instructions of the 29th of December, 1873, I respectfully submit the following report of the operations and progress of the work under the direction of this Bureau for the two months ending December 31, 1873; and also, tabulated statements showing the number of days of the force employed upon the several works in each month, the average working force per day, and the expenditures and liabilities incurred.

THE BOULEVARD—(From the Circle at 59th Street to 155th Street).

At the close of the last quarter, October 31, 1873, but little work for the regulating and grading and superstructure remained to be done, consisting of the completion of the laying of the flagging and the trimming of the sidewalks and centre piece, etc. This has been completed.

The planting of trees (American Elm) has also been forwarded on the center piece to 120th street, and on the sidewalks so far as the progress of the work upon the sewers, etc., and the season would permit.

The principal items of work done are:

6,500 square feet flagging laid.

5,695 square feet flagging furnished.

512 trees planted.

1,536 cubic yards mould furnished and placed in tree holes.

The measurement and quantities of work done are being made for the assessment lists, and will be completed early in January.

SEWERS ON THE BOULEVARD.

This work has been prosecuted during the past two months at the following points, viz.: Between 64th and 65th streets, East side.

" 67th and 68th streets, West side.
" 69th and 70th streets, West side and crossing the Boulevard.
" 78th and 82d streets, East side.
" 79th and 81st streets, West side.
" 93d and 95th streets, West side.
" 120th and 139th streets, both sides.
" 149th and 151st streets, East side.

The following are the quantities of work done and materials furnished:

1,279 lineal feet earth trench excavated.
1,008 lineal feet rock trench excavated.
1,908 lineal feet brick sewer built.
7 manholes built.
4 receiving basins built.
2,100 lineal feet curb reset.
6,243 square feet flagging relaid.
904,750 bricks furnished and delivered.
1,168 bbls. cement furnished and delivered.
712 lineal feet invert furnished and delivered.
20 blue stone basin heads, gutter, &c., furnished and delivered.
240 cubic yards sand furnished and delivered.

THE AVENUE ST. NICHOLAS—(From 110th street to 155th Street).

At the date of my last report, November 1, 1873, the carriageway from the 8th avenue to 125th street, a distance of 1,048 feet was unfinished. This has been completed and was opened for use on the 15th day of November, and the whole length from 110th street to 155th street, is now in use, a distance of 2,346,1000 miles.

The entire work has been completed, quantities computed, and the assessment maps and lists are being prepared.

The principal of work done since November 1st, 1873, are

1,530 square yards roadway finished.
27,453 square feet flagging, 4 feet in width, laid and sidewalks trimmed.
19,810 square feet flagging furnished.
146 lineal feet curb set.
200 " " gutter set.
295 " " gutter stone furnished.

The Harlem Gas-light Company have laid their pipe on one side from the 8th avenue to 125th street, and eleven lamp posts been set, lamps placed thereon and lighted.

TENTH AVENUE—(from 155th to 194th street).

The following are the principal quantities of work done during the past two months:

1,146 lineal feet or 8,911 square yards carriage-way completed and opened for use.
1,000 cubic yards rock excavated.
5,000 cubic yards filling furnished from sources outside the avenue.
2,925 lineal feet curb set.

7,812 square feet flagging, 4 feet in width laid.

The avenue is completed from 155th street to 191st street, leaving only about 720 lineal feet to complete to the south line of 194th street. Work has been suspended on the superstructure and setting of curb on account of the season.

MANHATTAN STREET—(from 12th avenue to its intersection with Avenue St. Nicholas, between the 8th and 9th avenues).

The work done upon this street since November 1st, 1873, under the direction of this Bureau has been:

577 lineal feet curb set.
4,400 square feet flagging laid.
600 cubic yards filling furnished.

The Harlem Gaslight Company have laid their pipe on the south side from the Boulevard to the 12th avenue, and the lamp posts have been set.

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FIFTH STREET, FROM NINTH AVENUE TO THE HUDSON RIVER.

The carriageway, thirty feet in width, or the southerly half of the street from the Avenue St. Nicholas to the Boulevard, was completed and opened to the public on November 13, 1873, thereby providing the travel with a good roadway from the 10th avenue north, and thence down either by way of the Boulevard or Avenue St. Nicholas. The work of regulating and grading, which is being done by contract, has progressed more rapidly than heretofore, and will soon be completed.

The work upon the sewer on the north side of the street from 10th avenue to the Boulevard has been prosecuted, but rock having been encountered it was necessary to remove all the force except one gang.

The principal quantities of work done are:

500 cubic yards earth excavation.
4,400 " rock "
3,448 square feet flagging laid.
559 lineal feet earth trench excavated for sewer.
105 " rock " "
420 " 15-inch vitrified stoneware pipe laid.
924 " " furnished.
26 cubic yards sand furnished.
6,000 bricks furnished.

THE EASTERN BOULEVARD—110th street, from 1st avenue to Riverside Drive.

Since November 1st contracts have been made for all the filling required between the 5th and 8th avenues (about 40,000 cubic yards), and about one-fifth of that quantity has been furnished.

The principal items of work done are:

1,000 cubic yards earth excavated.
1,900 " rock "
10,400 " filling furnished from sources outside the line of the street.
2,084 " retaining wall built.
14 " sand furnished.

Stone is now being prepared for the Telford foundation.

SEVENTY-SECOND STREET—from Avenue A to 5th Avenue.

The work of regulating and grading, and otherwise improving this portion of the Eastern Boulevard, was commenced between Avenue A and 1st avenue on December 3, 1873, and four gangs of workmen—one gang stripping, two excavating the rock, and one sledging stone for the pavement—are at present engaged thereon.

All the sound stone is being reserved and prepared for the Telford pavement.

The principal items of work done are:

1,000 cubic yards earth excavation.
800 cubic yards rock excavation.
380 cubic yards stone sledged for Telford pavement.
15 cubic yards sand furnished.

AVENUE A—(from 57th to 86th Street).

Work upon this portion of the Eastern Boulevard was commenced near 80th street on December 17th, 1873. The filling has been procured from the surplus earth and unsound rock taken from 72d street.

400 cubic yards earth excavated, and

1,000 cubic yards filling made, constitute the work done.

The surveys are being made, and at an early day gangs will be placed at work in the vicinity of 60th and 69th streets.

TENTH AVENUE, FROM 110TH STREET TO MANHATTAN STREET.

This work is being prosecuted under the same act as the Eastern Boulevard, and it having been deemed more advisable for the interest of the public, and for the better protection of the Croton Aqueduct, the work is being done by the days work, the manner recommended and approved by the Chief Engineer of the Croton Aqueduct.

This work must of necessity proceed slowly, in order to secure safety to the Croton water main pipes south of 119th street, and the conduit, which is chiefly through a tunnel south of 119th street.

The work was commenced November 17, 1873, and the principal items done are:

1,000 cubic yards earth excavation.
200 " rock "
1,006 " filling.

MAINTENANCE OF THE BOULEVARDS, STREETS AND AVENUES NORTH OF FIFTY-NINTH STREET.

The small amount of the appropriation unexpended on the 1st of November, 1873, caused the

working force to be reduced below what was requisite, more especially as the weather in December was such as to require much extra care and expense. 2,419 cubic yards of screened gravel have been furnished, and part is now on hand for use during the winter and early spring months. The amount of the appropriation for 1873 unexpended is \$19,59.

The following is a statement of the length and square yards of roadway completed and open for use January 1, 1874:

	MILES.	SQ. YARDS.
Sixth avenue, from 110th street to 146th street.....	1.867-1,000	84,825
Seventh avenue, from 110th street to 154th street.....	2.201-1,000	103,312
145th street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues.....	0.142-1,000	5,000
Avenue St. Nicholas, from 110th street to 155th street.....	2.345-1,000	75,595
The Boulevard, from "the Circle" to 155th street.....	4.894-1,000	250,181
72d street, from 8th avenue to Riverside Drive.....	0.590-1,000	20,780
Tenth avenue, north of 155th street.....	1.854-1,000	76,846
155th street, from Avenue St. Nicholas to the Boulevard.....	0.277-1,000	4,872
Totals.....	14.111-1,000	627,331

FORCE EMPLOYED.

The force employed upon all the works under the direction of this Bureau on November 1st, was 1,115 men and teams. The present force is 1,403 men and teams. The number of men and teams placed upon the work by appointment has been 362. The number discharged for inefficiency, neglect of duty, and other causes has been eighteen men and teams. The remainder of the decrease have left the work of their own accord.

Statement showing in number of days the force employed on the Boulevard and avenues during each month, from October 31, 1873, to January 1, 1874.

MONTHS.	General Foremen.	Foremen.	Blasters.	Rockmen.	Skilled Laborers.	Laborers.	Steam Engineers.	Blacksmiths.	Helpers.	Carts.	Double Teams.	Carpenters.	Painters.	Brick Masons.	Fair-Teams.	Horses and Wagons.
November.....	50	772	223	7230	1187	9749	57	243	179	1385	1519	106	13	630	44	50
December.....	54	901	304	10057	1323	14054	22	351	211	1125	2048	177	19	700	00	27

Statement of the average working force per day employed on the Boulevard and avenues for each month, from October 31, 1873, to January 1, 1874:

MONTHS.	General Foremen.	Foremen.	Blasters.	Rockmen.	Skilled Laborers.	Laborers.	Steam Engineers.	Blacksmiths.	Helpers.	Carts.	Double Teams.	Carpenters.	Painters.	Brick Masons.	Fair-Teams.	Horses and Wagons.
November.....	2	31	11	372	47	389	2	13	7	55	66	21	1	25	1	*
December.....	2	35	11	372	42	533	2	13	8	55	75	31	1	25	0	*

Statement of the expenditures and liabilities of the Bureau of Construction of roads and avenues for the two months ending December 31, 1873.

	Expeditors for labor, materials, etc., as per pay-rolls, and vouchers transmitted.	Liabilities for labor, materials, etc., in part estimated.
Boulevard.....	\$6,035 47	\$989 02
Boulevard Sewers, 1 C.....	1,000 15	1 35
Boulevard Sewers, 1 D.....	10,599 77	1,361 02
Boulevard Sewers, 13 B.....	16,610 32	2,438 38
Boulevard Sewers, 14 B.....	8,198 03	543 76
Boulevard Sewers, 12 E.....	42,400 14	5,143 93
Boulevard Planting.....	4,872 11	14 00
Seventh Avenue.....	349 12	...
Avenue St. Nicholas.....	10,437 74	960 10
Avenue St. Nicholas, Sewers.....	85 08	...
Manhattan Street.....	1,705 66	108 55
Manhattan Street Sewers.....	85 00	...
One Hundred and Fifty-fifth Street.....	13,844 86	9,356 41
One Hundred and Fifty-fifth Street Sewer.....	10,277 65	337 86
Tenth Avenue, north of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth Street.....	15,615 21	538 01
Tenth Avenue, One Hundred and Tenth Street to Manhattan Street.....	4,523 68	745 78
One Hundred and Tenth Street, from First Avenue to New Avenue.....	23,602 56	1,372 67
Seventy-second Street, Telford pavement.....	417 87	35 00
One Hundred and Forty-fifth Street, Telford pavement.....	5,466 67	115 10
Seventy-second Street, Avenue A to Fifth Avenue.....	353 35	808 97
Avenue A, Fifty-seventh to Eighty-sixth Streets.....	...	541 99
One Hundred and Sixteenth Street, Avenue A to Sixth Avenue.....	...	121 02
Maintenance.....	11,135 59	49 75

Respectfully submitted.

M. A. KELLOGG,
Engineer-in-Chief Bureau Construction Roads and Avenues.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
CONTRACT CLERK'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, January 5th, 1873.

George M. Van Nort, Esq., Commissioner of Public Works:

SIR: The following is a statement of the transactions of the Contract Dock Office from November 1st, to December 31st, 1873, inclusive.

Schedule "A" shows the number and nature of awards made during the month of November and December, 1873, with the date of their transmittal to the Finance Department for approval of surpluses, and the date of their return.

Schedule "B" shows the number and nature of all contracts made during the same months, with dates, names of contracts and sureties and the estimated

SCHEDULE "B."

LIST OF CONTRACTS MADE DURING MONTHS OF NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER, 1873.

DATE—1873.	LOCATION AND NATURE OF WORK.	CONTRACTOR.	SURETIES.	ESTIMATED COST.
SEWERS.				
Nov. 20.	5th ave., between 40th and 41st st.	Patrick Haggerty, 317 E. 45th st.	M. Fall, 315 E. 45th st.; D. Boehan, 244 E. 44th st.	\$570 00
" 19.	10th ave., between Lawrence and 130th sts.	Patrick Fowley, 164 E. 63rd st.	I. Farley, 723 Lexington ave.; T. Duffey, 228 E. 51st st.	3,037 50
" 28.	Little West 12th st., between 10th avenue and Hudson river.	Michael Shannon, 108 E. 70th st.	C. Keyes, 108 E. 70th st.; C. Devlin, 311 E. 57th st.	4,251 00
" 29.	95th and 96th sts., between 1st and 5th aven., and in 1st ave. with branches.	Frank Stollmeyer, 22 E. 75th st.	D. Babcock, 161 Broadway; H. Stollmeyer, 22 E. 75th st.	48,257 50
" 20.	11th and 12th sts., between 1st ave. and Avenue A.	B. Noonan, 1,592 3d ave.	O. Rooney, 140 E. 83d st.; N. Begg, 135 E. 92d st.	4,754 00
" 28.	Broadway st., between Mulberry and Mott sts.	M. Gavin, 341 E. 30th st.	C. Devlin, 311 E. 57th st.; William A. Cumming, 5 Pine st.	1,109 00
" 28.	Elm st., between Grand and Broome sts.	M. A. Grossmayer, 151 E. 60th st.	H. Grossmayer, 151 E. 60th st.; L. Broniger, 58 E. 78th st.	1,308 50
Dec. 4.	Outlet in 106th st., between Harlem river and 5th ave.	A. Dowdney, 246 E. 61st st.	J. Dowling, 33d st. and Ave. A; C. Killem, 242 E. 82d st.	99,925 00
Nov. 28.	Cannon st., between Grand and Broome st.	M. Gavin, 341 E. 30th st.	C. Devlin, 311 E. 57th st.; William A. Cumming, 5 Pine st.	1,132 00
Dec. 4.	Outlet from end of present sewer in Manhattan st., to and through 130th st. to Hudson river, &c., &c.	A. Dowdney, 246 E. 61st st.	Thomas Crimmins, 252 E. 60th st.; C. O'Reilly, 110 E. 45th st.	83,177 50
" 17.	Drains between 62d and 69th sts., and Boulevard and Hudson river.	A. Lutz, 522 E. 121st st.	A. P. Arnold, 174 E. 93d st.; C. Keyes, 108 E. 70th st.	9,400 00
REGULATING, GRADING, ETC.				
Dec. 16.	24th st., from 11th ave. to North river.	A. D. Campbell, 400 E. 48th st.	P. Cunningham, 82 1st ave.; T. O'Reilly, 109 1st ave.	\$2,619 90
" 1.	56th st., from 3d ave. to East river.	D. Crowley, 106th st. and 8th ave.	M. Cronin, 225 E. 59th st.; M. Roche, 147 E. 116th st.	7,421 50
Nov. 28.	60th st., from 1st ave. to Ave. A.	M. Gavin, 341 E. 30th st.	T. Gearty, 155 E. 55th st.; C. Devlin, 311 E. 57th st.	10,650 00
" 20.	92d st., from 8th ave. to Boulevard.	John T. Doyle, 129th st. and Broadway	H. Tone, 114th st. and 10th ave.; James Slattery, 207 W. 57th st.	6,518 20
Dec. 13.	Madison ave., from 124th st. to Harlem river.	F. Stollmeyer, 22 E. 75th st.	David Babcock, 161 Broadway; H. Stollmeyer, 22 E. 75th st.	15,970 00
Nov. 29.	80th st., between 8th and 10th aven.	R. H. Treacy, 338 W. 59th st.	Michael Treacy, 338 W. 59th st.; P. Treacy, 265 W. 42d st.	28,668 00
" 29.	C. G. and F. 78th st., between 3d and 5th aven.	C. Ward, 73d st., between 2d and 3d aven.	M. Cronin, 225 E. 59th st.; M. Roche, 147 E. 116th st.	1,726 50
Dec. 1.	Flagging 57th st., from 11th ave. to Hudson river.	John Slattery, 783 4th ave.	H. Tone, 114th st. and 10th ave.; James Slattery, 207 W. 57th st.	1,501 00
" 17.	69th st., from 3d to 4th aven.	Daniel Crowley, 106th st. and 8th ave.	M. Cronin, 225 E. 59th st.; M. Roche, 147 E. 116th st.	2,527 50
PAVING WITH BELGIAN PAVEMENT.				
Nov. 28.	2d ave., from 63d to 66th st.	John W. Pettigrew, 256 5th ave.	W. Baird, 310 E. 57th st.; C. Guidet, 51 Chamber st.	7,600 00
" 28.	57th st., from 2d ave. to Lexington ave.	W. A. Cumming, 5 Pine st.	M. Gavin, 341 E. 30th st.; C. Keyes, 108 E. 70th st.	10,911 50
Dec. 2.	60th st., from 4th to 5th aven.	Dennis Cotterell, 35 E. 133d st.	P. Bannon, 88th st. and 2d ave.; John E. Ayres, 61 E. 131st st.	7,300 00
" 15.	2d ave., from 5th to 86th sts.	Wm. A. Cumming, 5 Pine st.	C. Keyes, 108 E. 70th st.; John Foster, 218 E. 18th st.	73,587 50
Nov. 28.	71st st., from 8th ave. to Boulevard.	C. Keyes, 108 E. 70th st.	W. A. Cumming, 5 Dey st.; L. W. Johnson, 414 W. 34th st.	14,880 00
MISCELLANEOUS CONTRACTS.				
Nov. 26.	One hundred tons of pig lead.	Schoenberg Smelting and Refining Co.	E. L. Snow and James M. Conner.	\$14,400 00

RECAPITULATION.

11 sewer contracts.	\$256,922 00
9 regulating, grading, etc.	77,692 60
5 paving contracts.	114,339 00
1 contract (for pig lead).	14,400 00
	\$43,353 60

SCHEDULE "C."

Works finished and accepted during months of Nov. and Dec., 1873.

DATE OF ACCEPTANCE.	LOCATION AND NATURE OF THE WORK.	COST OF WORK.
1873.		
Nov. 13.	Sewer in Broadway, between 27th and 28th streets.	\$ 966 50
" 13.	" Ave. A, between 59th and 61st streets.	15,458 00
" 13.	" 10th street, between 2nd and 3d aven.	2,533 35
" 19.	" Dry Dock street, between 10th and 12th streets.	1,431 25
" 28.	" 6th avenue, between 125th and 129th streets, with branches.	26,051 95
Dec. 23.	" 1st avenue, between 3d and 4th streets and between 9th and 10th streets.	5,949 80
" 23.	" 51st street, between 6th and 7th aven.	19,712 40
" 23.	" 110th street, between 5th and 8th aven.	18,397 86
Nov. 19.	Drains between 56th and 57th streets, and between 4th and Lexington avenues.	934 00
Dec. 23.	" 66th and 67th streets, 5th and Madison avenues.	650 00
Nov. 13.	Receiving basin on N.E. cor. 69th street and Lexington avenue.	403 80
Dec. 8.	" N.E. cor. Pearl street and Peck Slip.	333 00
" 23.	" N.W. cor. 6th street and Lexington avenue.	438 00
" 23.	" S.W. cor. Tompkins and Stanton streets.	352 40
" 23.	" S.W. cor. Tompkins and Rivington streets.	339 20
Nov. 13.	Reg. and grading 117th street, from 7th to 8th aven.	15,572 70
" 19.	" 84th street, from 8th to 10th aven.	10,604 61
" 19.	Reg. grading, &c., 40th street, between 1st and 2d aven.	28,662 65
" 19.	" 145th street, from 7th avenue to Broadway.	86,697 57
" 28.	" Gamevoor street, from West street to North River.	2,535 95
" 28.	" 82d street, from 4th to 8th aven.	3,274 79
Dec. 8.	" 120th street, from 7th to 8th aven.	19,616 27
" 8.	" 133d street, between 8th avenue and Harlem River.	180,087 86
" 8.	" 120th street, from 3d to 6th aven.	43,263 25
" 17.	" 75th street, from 5th avenue to East River.	121,714 38
Nov. 13.	Curb, gutter and flagging S.E. cor. 7th avenue and 12th street.	347 82
" 13.	" Lexington avenue, between 1st and 66th streets.	1,508 48
Dec. 23.	" 61st street, between 9th and 10th aven.	1,064 97
Nov. 13.	Flagging north side 53d street, between 5th and 6th aven.	356 02
" 19.	" N.S. 37th street, from 7th to 8th aven.	768 00
" 28.	" sidewalks on 59th street, from 1st to 2d aven.	626 86
Dec. 8.	" 51st street, from 1st to 3d aven.	975 75
" 8.	" W.S. Corlear street, from 1st to Monroe street.	163 67
" 8.	" N.S. Monroe street, from Corlear street to 31st Monroe street.	232 57
" 8.	" N.S. Front street, from Montgomery to Gouverneur street.	421 11
" 23.	" N.S. 54th street, about 250 feet East 9th avenue.	439 50
" 23.	" N.S. 54th street, about 125 feet East 2d aven.	231 34
" 23.	" N.S. 52d street, commencing at 5th ave. and running west 175 feet.	690 88
" 23.	" N.S. 14th street, from 347 to 347, between 1st and 2d aven.	618 00
" 23.	" S.S. 54th street, from 6th to 7th aven.	629 67
" 23.	" on 57th street, from 9th to 10th aven.	3,273 80
Nov. 13.	Paving 9th avenue, from 34th to 45th street with Belgian pavement.	46,285 81
" 28.	" 56th street, from Lexington to 4th aven. with Belgian pavement.	3,630 30
Dec. 8.	" 57th street, from 6th to 8th aven. with Belgian pavement.	24,740 13
" 8.	" 59th street, between 1st and 2d aven.	5,052 44
" 19.	" 63d street, from Lexington to 4th aven.	3,450 00
Nov. 28.	Superstructure of 7th avenue, from 10th street to Harlem River, including construction of Telford McAdam roadway and curb gutter and flagging.	453,631 01
" 28.	Fencing vacant lots on N.S. 57th street, about 200 feet E. of 9th avenue.	59 89
" 28.	" N.S. 61st street, between 2nd and 3d aven.	110 32
" 28.	" N.S. 53d street, between 5th and 6th aven.	47 44
		\$1,162,608 13

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
BUREAU OF STREETS,
NEW YORK, January 1, 1874.

Hon. Geo. M. Van Nort, Commissioner of Public Works:

In compliance with your instructions of December 29th last, I herewith make the following report of the transactions of the Bureau of Streets for the months of November and December, 1873.

The forces employed in this Bureau have been engaged mainly on the repairs of Eighth avenue, between One Hundred and Twenty-second street and the Harlem River, on Break Neck Hill, One Hundred and Twenty-fourth street, from Sixth to Eighth avenues, on Kingsbridge Road, from Saul's Corners northward, One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, from Tenth Avenue to the Hudson River, and on Fort Washington Depot Road, as well as on many unpaved streets, roads and avenues on the upper portion of the island.

In consequence of the proceedings before the Supreme Court for the widening of Kingsbridge Road, only such work was done during the summer as was actually necessary for the keeping of the road in a passable condition, but late in the season, owing to the uncertainty of the proceedings being fully consummated for the widening of this road, more extensive repairs were made, and underground drains and culverts built to carry off the water which accumulates in large quantities during the Fall and Winter months. If these proceedings are not completed before the early Spring, much work will be necessary on this road, considerable surface grading, additional culverts and drains built, bridges repaired, and surfaces of gravel will be necessary. The wall on this road near Kingsbridge will require no inconsiderable repairs. I have deemed it practicable to make as little repairs and spend as small an amount of money as possible on this road during the past year for the reasons as above stated.

The Eighth Avenue, above One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, has received great attention during the past Summer and Fall, and the roadway has at all times been kept in good condition for driving. The Eighth Avenue Railroad Company having, by right vested in them by their Charter, extended their double track as far north on this Avenue as One Hundred and Forty-second

street, great care has been found necessary to keep the roadway on both sides in good repair. The extension of the tracks above One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street has rendered the speed of horses on this Avenue, for which it has long been noted, almost impossible this side of One Hundred and Forty-second street, and has naturally destroyed the Avenue for that purpose up to that point. Above One Hundred and Forty-second street it is still in active use, and I would recommend that that portion, to McCombs Dam Bridge, be filled in on the westerly side to its full width, which can be done at a small expense, and will render the Avenue a very desirable place for fast driving, it being the only direct dirt road leading to the Bridge and into Westchester County. The space between the tracks on this Avenue being unpaved and sunken, water stagnates, and renders it not only very disagreeable, but dangerous to those having light vehicles.

Notwithstanding the large reduction made in the appropriation for the conduct of this Bureau, I feel confident that the condition of the roads, streets and avenues under its care compares favorably with past years, when the appropriations were more than double the amount of last year's appropriation.

The following is a statement of vouchers drawn by this Bureau against the appropriation of roads, avenues and sprinkling during the past two months:

James E. Poole, planking roadway.	\$65 50

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TITLES OF TRUST ACCOUNTS.	Amount to Credit Jan. 1, 1873, and Subseq'nly.	Amount to Credit Nov. 1, 1873	Expendit's Nov. & Dec. 1873.	Amount to Credit Jan. 1, 1874.
Additional Alterations—Aqueduct, 93rd to 110th streets	932,662 12	310,669 43	91,103 98	219,565 45
Boulevard, Roads and Assessment Fund	25,000 00	25,000 00	207,474 28	25,000 00
Changing Grades—9th Avenues, &c.	20,000 00	20,000 00	20,000 00	20,000 00
" Chamber and other streets	37,000 00	32,265 99	275 00	31,990 99
Croton Water Works Extension, High Service, Carmansville	1,044,933 15	537,227 70	305,904 62	232,628 68
" Fund	651,714 99	500,827 25	1,634 39	499,192 86
" Main Fund	710,500 00	300,100 00	50,000 00	300,000 00
Meter Stock	50,000 00	50,000 00	50,000 00	50,000 00
Pavement Repairing Stock	129,202 13	78,988 88	4,835 00	74,153 88
Sewer Repair Stock	135,630 48	15,045 59	631 01	14,926 84
Street Improvement Fund	72d street, Telford pavement	118 75		
Water Stock of 1870				

APPENDIX B

Contains a detailed statement of all the requisitions drawn by the Department of Public Works on the Comptroller during the two months ending December 31, 1873, on account, the several trust accounts and appropriations, City of New York.

STREET IMPROVEMENT FUND.

REGULATING GRADING, &c.

Madison ave., bet. 86th st. and 90th st., Terrence McGuire	\$15,148 56
8th " 59th " 73rd st., James Slattery	4,462 18
8th " 87th " 100th st., John B. Devlin	6,916 62
8th " 100th " 122d st., Slattery & White	21,207 05
40th street between 1st ave. and 2d ave., Charles C. Reed	6,493 00
6th " 10th " Hudson River, M. J. Green	3,960 06
67th " 3d " 4th ave., James Everard	3,739 67
68th " 3d " 4th ave., Daniel Crowley	1,579 90
68th " 8th " East River, John Gillespie	1,880 50
69th " P. Drive and " Robert Meers	3,832 67
69th " 3d ave. and East River, P. H. Lydon	2,975 75
73rd " 5th " Patrick Farley	1,852 48
77th " 6th " Boulevard, J. S. Masterson	7,236 32
80th " 8th " River Drive, H. H. Brown	6,125 00
82d " 8th " Boulevard, Henry Tone (adm'r)	3,332 40
82d " 5th " 5th ave., Daniel Crowley	3,990 00
84th " 8th " 10th ave., Abraham Dowdney	2,957 88
84th " Boulevard and River Drive, Henry Tone (adm'r)	3,414 00
87th " 8th ave. and 10th ave., L. W. Johnson	3,514 00
88th " 8th " 10th ave., David Babcock	3,522 40
93d " 4th " 8th ave., Michael Gavin	1,891 40
106th " 3d " East River, Daniel Crowley	1,203 89
108th " 5th " Mills & Ambrose	4,357 50
117th " 7th " 8th ave., T. & J. D. Crimmins	7,476 00
118th " 7th " Abraham Dowdney	6,824 20
119th " 4th " Dennis McCarthy	1,558 20
120th " 7th " T. & J. D. Crimmins	1,701 00
120th " 3d " 6th ave., J. S. Masterson	13,906 14
135th " 1st " Harlem River, E. R. Quirk	4,082 88
138th " Boulevard and Hudson River, Wm. Guylfoyle	8,868 12
145th " 7th ave. and Boulevard, Fachild & Ward	6,054 90
152nd " 11th " St. Nicholas ave., John Murray	28,523 64
Sansevoort st., bet. West st. and North River, R. A. Cunningham	1,719 37
Total Regulating, Grading, etc.	\$198,125 18

FLAGGING.

Attorney st., bet Grand and Broome st., Patrick Gibney	\$237 08
Corlears " No. 1 and Monroe st., Thomas L. Butler	159 04
Front " Montgomery and Gouverneur st., Thomas L. Butler	405 44
Monroe " No. 311 and Corlears st., Thomas L. Butler	224 00
N. S. 13th " No. 415 and Avenue A, Michael Gavin	349 78
N. S. 14th " 1st and 2d aves., Joseph Tracy	609 00
33d " S. E. cor. Broadway, J. Mahoney	880 00
N. S. 37th " 7th and 8th aves., T. J. Hinch	230 32
N. S. 51st " 1st and 3d aves., John Stewart	646 42
N. S. 52d " 8th ave. and 175 ft. west, Joseph Tracy	859 91
N. S. 53d " 5th and 6th aves., J. Slattery	677 22
S. S. 51st " 6th and 7th aves., T. J. Hinch	345 59
N. S. 44th " 2d ave. and 125 ft. east, Joseph Tracy	611 52
N. S. 57th " 9th ave. and 250 ft. east	226 42
57th " 9th and 10th aves., J. Clark	430 50
91st " 1st and 2d aves., J. Slattery	3,023 28
Total Flagging	\$9,895 65

CURB, GUTTER, AND FLAGGING.

Lexington ave., bet. 61st and 66th sts., Daniel Crowley	1,336 97
7th " S. E. cor. 12th st., T. J. Hinch	334 25
61st st., bet. 9th and 10th aves., J. Clarke	1,068 01
Total Curb, Gutter, and Flagging	\$3,339 23

FENCING VACANT LOTS.

N. S. 53d street, between 5th and 6th avenues, Thomas L. Butler	\$41 50
57th " 250 feet E. of 9th avenue, "	54 25
N. S. 61st " 2d and 3d avenues, "	98 50
Total fencing vacant lots	\$192 25

SEWERS.

Broadway, bet. 27th and 28th sts., J. Mulholland	\$760 10
Dry D.-c.k. st., bet. 10th and 12th sts., Thomas Casey	1,158 45
Horatio st., sewer to near Jane st., "	1,215 42
Manhattan st., bet. 12th and St. Nicholas aves., Abraham Dowdney	18,588 42
11th " Dry Dock st. and East river, F. McCabe	161 49
17th " 14th st. and Hudson river, Michael Noonan	9,170 29
55th " 5th and 6th aves., C. P. Devlin	89 20
55th " 1st ave. and Ave. A, M. H. Grossmayer	115 80
56th " 6th and 7th aves., R. J. Howe	1,218 00
66th " Ave. A and 2d ave., Patrick Farley	2,18 60
75th " 1st and 2d aves., Michael Smith	2,792 65
88th " 2d and 3d aves., Smith & Noonan	4,816 35
89th " 2d ave. and East river, F. Stollmeyer	13,326 07
92d, 93d, 94th " 4th and 5th aves., J. H. McCarthy	43,131 37
104th " 2d and 3d aves., Charles Jones	11,694 32
120th " 5th and 6th aves., Daniel Northrup	2,061 30
120th " 7th ave. and Harlem river, William Baird	7,156 45
1st ave., bet. 3d and 6th aves., J. Mulholland	73,914 05
5th " 3d and 3d sts., Joseph Garry	3,099 30
6th " 110th and 125th sts., L. W. Johnson	730 00
6th " 125th and 127th sts., J. McCaulley	11,211 69
6th " 120th and 147th sts., James Everard	6,637 78
6th, 7th and St. Nicholas aves., bet. 10th and 11th sts., T. E. Crimmins	26,492 55
7th ave., bet. 121st and 137th sts., John McCaulley	40,539 45
11th " 50th and 51st sts., Edian A. Allen	24,628 72
Ave. A, bet. 59th and 61st sts., J. M. Gilligan	2,051 93
120th and 123d sts., J. Mulholland	4,952 59
Total sewers	6,533 86
*Outlet sewers	

UNDERGROUND DRAINS.

Between 56th and 57th sts., and 4th and Lexington aves., Patrick Farley	\$757 00
" 57th and 58th sts., and 5th and Madison aves., J. P. Cummings, Jr.	431 25
" 74th and 76th sts., and 8th and 10th aves., James Everard	4,559 60

\$5,757 85

RECEIVING BASINS.

N. W. corner 6th st. and Lexington ave., J. P. Cummings, Jr.	\$417 00
N. E. " 6th st. " " " " " "	383 80
N. E. " Pearl st. and Peck Slip, " " " " " "	317 83

\$1,118 60

PAVING.

1st ave., bet. 61st and 63d sts., J. W. Pettigrew	\$2,536 16
9th " 34th and 45th sts., P. F. Maginn	11,028 71
24th st., bet. 10th and 11th aves., James Everard	72 10
31st " 4th and 5th aves., Charles C. Reed	293 54

\$1,118 60

47th " 3d and 4th aves., John B. Devlin	1,758 17

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BOULEVARD SEWERS, 14 B.

Pay rolls—engineers, laborers, etc.	\$7,295 37
Sewer pipe	75 20
Brick	478 89
Cement	180 00
Powder and fuse	126 25
Man-hole heads and covers	66 00
Lumber	62 44
Coal	45 00
Tools	44 31
Sand	36 00
Steel and Iron	35 32
Rent	13 00
Horse keeping, &c.	10 00
Stationery	7 80
Total Boulevard Sewers 14 B.	\$9,185 58

BOULEVARD SEWERS 2 C.

Pay Rolls Engineers, Laborers, &c.	175 29
Sewer Pipe	634 40
Lumber	381 15
Manhole Heads and Covers	88 00
Hardware	20 25
Tools	17 81
Rent	14 00
Coal	9 00
Repairing Wagon	6 00
Horse keeping	6 00
Stationery	5 00
Total Boulevard Sewers 2 C.	\$1,356 90

BOULEVARD SEWERS 1 D.

Pay Rolls engineers, laborers, &c.	18,963 37
Brick	905 54
Lumber	791 60
Sewer Pipe	520 00
Steel	406 19
Manhole heads and covers	264 00
Cement	234 00
Powder and fuse	212 50
Tools	155 94
Hardware	28 52
Coal	27 00
Rent	22 00
Stationery	9 00
Horse keeping	9 00
Repairing wagon	8 00
Total Boulevard sewers 1 D.	\$2,557 66

BOULEVARD SEWERS 12 E.

Pay Rolls, engineers, laborers, &c.	31,078 83
Sewer pipe	4,093 05
Brick	2,827 99
Basin heads	1,700 00
Lumber	1,561 74
Cement	1,530 00
Stone	589 00
Manhole heads and covers	572 00
Sand	205 00
Powder and fuse	215 00
Tools	147 55
Steel	110 66
Rent	73 00
Stationery	61 42
Rope	53 82
Hardware	49 68
Coal	49 75
Horse keeping	31 00
Repairing wagon	28 00
Iron, &c.	18 38
Forge hood	16 50
Total Boulevard Sewers 12 E.	\$48,065 67

TENTH AVENUE (155TH TO 194TH STS.).

Pay Roll's—Engineers and laborers, &c.	\$19,525 40
Iron and steel	252 90
Lumber	99 55
Stationery	78 80
Rent	75 00
Coal	63 00
Tools	41 38
Repairing sprinklers and wagon	38 48
Horse keeping	31 53
Oil	7 60
Total Tenth avenue (155th to 194th streets)	\$20,813 87

TENTH AVENUE (110TH TO MANHATTAN STS.).

Pay Rolls—Engineers, laborers, &c.	4,161 60
Steel	245 93
Tools	98 69
Repairing Level	18 00

Total Tenth avenue (110th to Manhattan streets).....

4,593 68

SEVENTH AVENUE.

Pay Rolls, Engineers, laborers, &c.	2 03
Fitting up lampposts	312 00
Stationery	14 00
Tools	9 55
Paints	2 54

Total Seventh avenue.....

340 18

AVENUE ST. NICHOLAS.

Pay Rolls—Engineers, laborers, &c.	\$5,564 42
Stone	4,511 91
Gravel	892 07
Lampposts	2 6 00
Coal	112 50
Paints and oils	33 20
Nails	27 50
Repairing Sprinklers and Wagon	16 97
Rent	16 03
Tools	10 75
Stationery	10 00
Lumber	4 96
Horse keeping	7 00
Total Avenue St. Nicholas.....	\$11,443 88

AVENUE ST. NICHOLAS SEWERS.

Basin Heads	\$85 00
Total Avenue St. Nicholas Sewers	\$85 00

\$85 00

MANHATTAN STREET.

Pay Rolls—Engineers, laborers, &c.	\$1,880 86
Basin Heads	85 00
Paints	8 96
Stationery	1 87

1,976 69

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FIFTH STREET.

Pay Rolls—Engineers, laborers, &c.	2,848 15
Regulating, grading, &c.	6,012 40
Trap rock	3,836 13
Flagging	1,488 82
Iron and steel	27 79
Coal	2 50
Stationery	15 45
Tools	13 50
Rent	13 00
Repairing Wagon and Horse Keeping	11 00

\$14,298 34

Total 155th street.....

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FIFTH STREET SEWERS.

Pay Rolls—Engineers, laborers, &c.	\$9,461 63
Lumber	784 30
Wire rope, &c.	159 01
Steel	44 28
Sand	25 00
Brick	21 00
Tools	19 33
Stationery	13 00
Hardware	6 28

Total—155th street sewers..... \$10,533 83

EASTERN BOULEVARD.

Pay Rolls—Engineers, laborers, &c.	143 05
Total	143 05

SEVENTY-SECOND STREET.

Pay Rolls—Engineers, laborers, &c.	5,004 94
Tools	203 29
Steel	157 14
Lumber	68 56
Hardware	32 74

Total Seventy-second street..... \$5,466 67

ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH STREET.

Pay Rolls—Engineers, laborers, &c.	\$21,844 44
Filling	3,665 62
Lumber	187 88
Powder and fuse	135 00
Tools	123 01
Steel	72 98
Hardware	51 07
Sand	39 00
Rope	8 33
Stationery	7 10

Total 110th street..... \$25,792 63

PUBLIC BUILDINGS, CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIRS.

Centre Market.....	\$3,664 10
Fulton "	1,566 18
Catharine "	941 99
Clinton "	739 00
W. Washington Market.....	614 50
Jefferson "	134 71
Franklin "	134 46
Tompkins "	30 48
Gansevoort Street Yard.....	35 95
Rivington "	18 01
City Hall.....	801 10
1st District Police Court.....	154 82
4th "	159 24
3d " Civil "	120 46
4th " "	6 60
7th " "	718 00
89 Chatham Street.....	136 82
61 " "	46 00
Corporation Counsel, office.....	39 19
Assistant Aldermen, "	40 00
Receiver of Taxes, "	161 57
Finance Department, "	1,751 56
City Record, "	8 80
Total Printing, Stationery and Blank Books.....	\$12,023 60

PUBLIC DRINKING HYDRANTS AND URINALS.

Repairing Hydrants.....	\$2,201 07
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REPAIRING, ETC. OF PIPES, STOPCOCKS, ETC.

Pay Rolls engineers, laborers, etc.....	\$7,633 12
Stop Cock Boxes and Cones.....	1,943 50
Hydrant Cases.....	755 50
Hydrants.....	700 00
Repairing Hydrants.....	243 09
Washers, Hydrant Cups, etc.....	199 20
Wood.....	62 50
Changing Tap.....	49 94
Hemp.....	47 53
Total Repairing and Renewal Pipes, Stopcocks, etc.....	\$11,934 95

REPAIRING, &c., WOOD AND CONCRETE PAVEMENTS.

Pay Rolls—Laborers, &c.....	\$27,41 61
Belgian blocks.....	1,720 00
Cobble stone.....	659 00
Dumping dirt.....	90 00

Total—Repairing and keeping in order wood and concrete pavements

ROADS AND AVENUES AND SPRINKLING.

Pay Rolls—Laborers, &c.....	\$2,424 00
Gravel and sand.....	800 00
Lumber.....	65 50

Total—Roads and avenues and sprinkling

SALARIES—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Pay Rolls—Officers, clerks, &c.....	\$22,481 29
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SEWERS—REPAIRING AND CLEANING.

Pay Rolls—Laborers, &c.....	\$2,333 75
Cleaning basins, &c.....	9,708 25
Repairing.....	6,319 93

Total—Sewers—Repairing and cleaning

STREETS—REPAVING, &c., STONE PAVEMENTS.

Pay rolls—laborers, etc.....	\$16,945 18
Belgian blocks.....	2,632 80
Repairing tools.....	556 50
Bridge Stone.....	52 80
Dumping dirt.....	48 16

Total streets, repaving and repairs, stone pavements

SUPPLIES FOR THE PUBLIC OFFICES.

Pay rolls—laborers and cleaners.....	\$4,585 00
City Hall.....	1,031 05
Department of Public Works.....	561 04
" Finance.....	326 61
" Buildings.....	15 22
First Police Court.....	31 03
Second "	67 75
Third "	121 29
Fourth "	128 57
Third Civil Court.....	105 53
Fifth "	18 85
Seventh "	5 50
Eighth "	17 55
Board of Assistant Aldermen.....	18 00
" Assessors.....	54 50
Corporation Attorney.....	62 15
" Counsel.....	230 00
Common Council.....	30 00
Public Administrator.....	73 50
Mayor's office.....	7 75
Tax Commissioners.....	374 83

Total supplies for public offices

WELLS AND PUMPS—REPAIRING AND CLEANING.

Repairing pumps.....	\$87 87
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Total requisitions on Appropriations

Total requisitions drawn on Comptroller for two months ending December 31, 1873.....

LAW DEPARTMENT.

OPINION OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION.

Where both Boards of the Common Council remain unchanged in their respective memberships for two years, an ordinance passed by one Board during the first year may be adopted by the other Board in the second year.

Where the Mayor fails to return an adopted ordinance within a certain time, it takes effect without his signature; and his act in subsequently signing it is without effect with regard to its validity.

Where the legality of the organization of a branch of the Common Council was pending and about to be decided in the courts; held, that a suspension of important proceedings in such Board would be advisable.

LAW DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, NEW YORK, February 4, 1874.

General Joseph C. Pinckney, Clerk of the Common Council:

DEAR SIR—I duly received your communication of the 30th of January, ultimo, in which you ask my opinion upon the following questions:

"First—Is it essential to the validity of an ordinance or resolution of the Common Council that final action should have been taken thereon within the same municipal year, i.e., before the first Monday in January; or, should not all unfinished business in either Board be commenced *de novo* each year?

Second—Is the approval of his Honor the Mayor, of any resolution or ordinance of the Common Council valid, if affixed thereto *after* the time allowed him by law for the consideration thereof, viz., ten days after it shall have been transmitted to him by the Clerk of either branch of the Common Council, particularly in cases when such resolutions or ordinances were passed by both Boards in one year, and such approval affixed the year following?

Third—Is not a perfect and unquestioned organization of either or both branches of the Common Council essential to the validity of any legislative act it or they may perform, and is not the present complications in the Board of Assistant Aldermen (with the nature of which you are entirely familiar) fatal to the validity of any legislative act it may perform during their continuance?"

In reply, I advise you as follows:

First—It is not in all cases essential to the validity of an ordinance or resolution of the Common Council that final action should have been taken thereon within the same municipal year, that is, before the first Monday in January. It is a general principle, applicable to all legislative bodies consisting of two branches, that when there has been a new election of either branch, the unfinished business of their predecessors is considered as absolutely discontinued, and if taken up at all, is acted upon without reference to what has been done before; and I have no doubt that when an ordinance or a resolution has been adopted by one branch of the Common Council before the 1st of January, and an election has taken place, which on the 1st of January changes the members who constitute the other branch, it would be necessary that the matter should be commenced *de novo*. But I do not think the same rule applies where there has been no change of members in either branch.

It is provided in section 14 of the charter of 1873 that no ordinance or resolution shall be valid unless it shall receive the assent of both Boards within the term fixed by law to such Boards. This provision of the statute, by necessary implication, in effect declares that all ordinances and resolutions shall be valid which receive the assent of both Boards within the term fixed by law to such Boards.

I am of the opinion, therefore, that if any ordinance or resolution was adopted by either Board of the present Common Council during the year 1873, it has been since the first day of January, and is now competent for the other branch to pass such ordinance or resolution without its readoption by the Board which had previously passed it.

Second—Under the provisions of Sections 9, 10 and 11 of the charter of 1873, it is immaterial whether the Mayor shall approve an ordinance or resolution passed by the Common Council, unless such approval be given within the time limited and prescribed by Section 10. The Mayor is required to return every ordinance or resolution to the Board in which it originated within ten days after receiving it, or at the next meeting of such Board after the expiration of said ten days. If he approves it, he is to sign it. If he disapproves it, he is to specify his objections thereto in writing; and if he does not return it with such disapproval within the time

above specified, it is to take effect as if he had approved it. If, therefore, the Mayor does not return an ordinance or resolution within the ten days, or at the next meeting of the Board after the expiration thereof, the resolution or ordinance so retained becomes a law. If the Mayor should sign an ordinance or resolution which had thus taken effect without his signature, it would not, of course, render it invalid, but such signature is not necessary to make it valid.

Third—The question as to the presidency and organization of the Board of Assistant Aldermen is now before the Courts. The matter was argued some days since before the General Term of the Supreme Court, and a speedy decision may be expected. I have no doubt that a perfect and lawful organization of the Board of Assistant Aldermen is essential to the validity of any legislative act which it may perform; and I think that if the Courts should decide that the Board is not organized according to law, serious questions will arise as to the validity of ordinances and resolutions adopted by it under its present organization. It is, of course, impossible for me to anticipate all such questions or the decisions that may be given in regard to them; but I respectfully suggest that it would be the part of prudence to defer for the present the passage of ordinances or resolutions which involve the expenditure of money, and the laying of assessments, and also all other important ordinances and resolutions.

I am, sir,
Yours very respectfully,
E. DELAFIELD SMITH,
Counsel to the Corporation.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The Board of Police met on the 4th day of February, 1874. Present—Messrs. Charlton, Gardner, Duryee, and Russell, Commissioners.

Leaves of Absence Granted.

Roundsman Joseph McAvoy, Thirty-second precinct, one day without pay.

Patrolman Gabriel Aiguer, Second precinct, one-half day without pay.

Patrolman George W. Bourdett, Thirty-second precinct, one-half day without pay.

Patrolman James J. Tuite, Seventh precinct, one-half day without pay.

Patrolman John B. Huntzinger, Fifth precinct, one-half day without pay.

Patrolman Patrick Rooney, Sixth precinct, one-half day without pay.

Patrolman William Cahill, Twenty-first precinct, one-half day without pay.

Patrolman Patrick Downing, Thirteenth precinct, one-half day without pay.

Patrolman Philip Cassidy, Twenty-first precinct, one day without pay.

Patrolman William Dougherty, Fourteenth precinct, one day without pay.

Patrolman John H. White, Twenty-ninth precinct, two and a half days without pay.

Patrolman John Nugent, Twenty-seventh precinct, two and a half days without pay.

Patrolman Charles S. Hudson, Eighth precinct, one-half day without pay.

Patrolman Jeremiah Buckley, Sixth precinct, one-half day without pay.

Surgeon J. H. Doan, twenty-four hours.

Parades Allowed.

German Oak Lodges, S. of M., Feb. 3—parade.

Montfort Lodge 64, S. of H., Feb. 3—funeral.

St. Patrick's Mutual Alliance, Feb. 1—funeral.

Teutonic Lodge, D. O. H., Feb. 1—funeral.

Charter Oak Lodge No. 366, I. O. O. F., Feb. 4—funeral.

Corinthian Lodge 488, F. and A. M., Feb. 1—funeral.

Bakers' Society, No. 2, Feb. 5—funeral.

United Brothers' Lodge, 52, I. O. O. F., Feb. 4—funeral.

Application of Father Matthew Society for permission to parade on St. Patrick's Day, (March 17) was ordered on file.</

giving notice that the license of C. H. Rhors, No. 314 Bowery, has been revoked, was ordered on file.

Street lamp reports for the week ending February 1st were ordered to be transmitted to the Department of Public Works.

Resignations Accepted.

Patrolman William H. Purdy, 2d precinct.
" George N. Carr, 2d precinct.
" Robert Lunney, 8th precinct.

Resolved, That Honorable mention be made of Patrolman John Doyle, 15th precinct, for prompt and cool action at a fire No. 58 West 14th street, thereby preventing the probable suffocation of three boys.

Marine Court: J. Mulhern, agst. John Doe—Officer 1063. | Marine Court: J. F. Hatch, agst. John Doe—Officer 1063.

Resolved, That the papers in the above entitled cases be referred to the Counsel to the Corporation to defend, if there are good grounds of defense.

The application of Geo. A. Lambrecht, Telegraph Operator, for five days pay for time lost by absence with leave, was denied.

Appointments.

Owen McPartlin, as doorman, 13th precinct.
John D. McCarthy, as patrolman, 23d precinct.
Michael Leonard, as patrolman, 5th precinct.

Terrence O'Brien was denied leave to apply for re-appointment.

Fines Imposed.

Patrolman Ambrose F. Clark, First precinct, two days pay.

Patrolman Maurice Lowery, First precinct, two days pay.

Patrolman Robert Kennedy, First precinct, one days pay.

Patrolman John S. Sullivan, Third precinct, three days pay.

Patrolman Richard Hawkey, Third precinct, two days pay.

Patrolman James V. Simpson, Third precinct, three days pay.

Patrolman Alonzo Fosket, Third precinct, one days pay.

Patrolman William Londrigan, Fifth precinct, two days pay.

Patrolman John Lyons, Fifth precinct, two days pay.

Patrolman Thomas Garland, Fifth precinct, one days pay.

Patrolman Roger O'Halloran, Sixth precinct, two days pay.

Patrolman William Golden, Sixth precinct, two days pay.

Patrolman Michael Lee, Seventh precinct, two days pay.

Patrolman Owen McConnon, Eighth precinct, five days pay.

Patrolman Herman Sherlob, Eleventh precinct, three days pay.

Patrolman Alexander McClellan, Eleventh precinct, one days pay.

Patrolman James Keenan, Eleventh precinct, one days pay.

Patrolman Michael E. Giroux, Eleventh precinct, one days pay.

Patrolman Daniel J. McInerney, Twelfth precinct, one days pay.

Patrolman Daniel E. Brown, Twelfth precinct, one days pay.

Patrolman Francis Hughes, Thirteenth precinct, three days pay.

Patrolman Charles Carter, Thirteenth precinct, three days pay.

Patrolman Philip McSherry, Thirteenth precinct, two days p. y.

Patrolman Peter Kenney, Fifteenth precinct, three days pay.

Patrolman Julius A. Golee, Fifteenth precinct, three days pay.

Patrolman Peter Schanwecker, Sixteenth precinct, five days pay.

Patrolman William E. Gardner, Sixteenth precinct, five days pay.

Patrolman Maurice O'Reilly, Seventeenth precinct, five days pay.

Patrolman Michael Wade, from Nineteenth to Twenty-second precinct.

Patrolman Thomas Brennan, from Fourteenth to Twenty-sixth precinct.

Patrolman Michael R. Fane, from Fifteenth to Twenty-seventh precinct.

Patrolman Cornelius O'Brien, from Fifth to Seventh precinct.

Patrolman Cornelius Sullivan, from Fifth to Third precinct.

Patrolman Patrick Cumming, from Twenty-first to Fifth precinct.

Patrolman Patrick Murphy, from Fifth to Twenty-first precinct.

Roundman John F. Gay, from First to Twenty-third precinct.

Patrolman James Burke, from Nineteenth to First precinct.

Patrolman George S. Smock, from Fifth to Thirteenth precinct.

Patrolman William Hartling, from Eleventh to Fifth precinct.

Resolved, That the Sergeant in charge of the Mounted Squad be directed to move his force, horses and equipments from the stable in 31st street to the stable in East 87th street, without delay.

Street Cleaning.

Bills ordered paid—
Emerson, Chellborg & Co. \$90 00
" do 237 09
" do 51 63
Piersons & Co. 180 64
Jas. W. Queen & Co. 4 50
Henry Schmelke 98 20
" 99 14
Michael Lennon (as per contract) 259 00

Daily reports (4) of the Superintendent of Boats, were referred to the Committee on Street Cleaning.

Weekly report of the Superintendent of Stables was referred to the Committee on Street Cleaning.

Communication from Inspector Thorne, reporting the sinking of scow No. 4 and upsetting of scow No. 7, was referred to the Committee on Street Cleaning.

Communication from Inspector Thorne, reporting that foreman W. E. Dowling, Seventh ward, has reported for duty, was ordered on file.

Communication from Aug. L. Brown, relative to claim of L. W. Johnson, for rent of stables, was referred to the Committee on Street Cleaning, with power.

S. C. HAWLEY,
Chief Clerk.

The Board of Police met on the 5th day of February, 1874. All the Commissioners present.

Communication from Coroner Kessler relative to the case of Louise Wolber, was referred to the President, with power.

Communication from Geo. F. Bonney, General Manager of the New York and Harlem R. R., requesting appointment of John N. Dempsey and Henry E. Starking as special detectives, was referred to the Superintendent.

An anonymous letter relative to pickpockets on street cars, was referred to the Superintendent.

Notice was received from the Board of Excise that a hearing will be given to certain liquor dealers during next week, was referred to the Chief Clerk to summon the complaining officers.

Bills Ordered Paid.

John Doran \$6 00
George B. Taylor 18 20

Bills Referred to Committee on Station Houses.

Westchester County Gaslight Co. \$1 05
" " 51 80
" " 17 15

Francis Hanley was denied leave to apply for re-appointment.

Appointments.

Bartholomew Shine, as patrolman, 14th precinct.
Edward J. Baron, as patrolman, 19th precinct.

Transfers ordered.

Patrolman Michael Wade, from Nineteenth to Twenty-second precinct.

Patrolman Thomas Brennan, from Fourteenth to Twenty-sixth precinct.

Patrolman Michael R. Fane, from Fifteenth to Twenty-seventh precinct.

Patrolman Cornelius O'Brien, from Fifth to Seventh precinct.

Patrolman Cornelius Sullivan, from Fifth to Third precinct.

Patrolman Patrick Cumming, from Twenty-first to Fifth precinct.

Patrolman Patrick Murphy, from Fifth to Twenty-first precinct.

Roundman John F. Gay, from First to Twenty-third precinct.

Patrolman James Burke, from Nineteenth to First precinct.

Patrolman George S. Smock, from Fifth to Thirteenth precinct.

Patrolman William Hartling, from Eleventh to Fifth precinct.

Resolved, That the Sergeant in charge of the Mounted Squad be directed to move his force, horses and equipments from the stable in 31st street to the stable in East 87th street, without delay.

Parade Allowed.

Knights of Malta, February 6th, funeral.

Leave of absence granted.

Patrolman John H. Carr, First Precinct, 1 day with out pay.

Patrolman J. Harris, Eleventh precinct, 1/2 day without pay.

Patrolman Wm. H. Saul, Eleventh precinct, 1/2 day with out pay.

Patrolman Charles S. Hudson, Eighth precinct, 1 day without pay.

Patrolman Wm. H. Hughes, Tenth precinct, 1/2 day with out pay.

Patrolman Henry B. Nafew, Twelfth precinct, 1 day without pay.

Patrolman Thomas Murphy, Twenty-first precinct, 1 day without pay.

Street Cleaning.

Communication from C. F. Chandler, President Board of Health, giving notice that the permission heretofore given to dump ashes, garbage, &c., east of Second avenue between 9th and 98th streets, is revoked. Was referred to Committee on Street cleaning.

Notice was received of the death of John O'Connor, Inspector of Dumps, and ordered on file.

Communication from the Department of Docks giving notice that the dredging of the slip foot of Jackson street, will be commenced as soon as the weather permits. Was ordered on file.

Daily report of the Superintendent of Boats, was referred to Committee on street cleaning.

Election of Elections.

Communication from Hon. Fernando Wood relative to division of election districts, was referred to the Chief of the Bureau of Elections.

Adjourned.

S. C. HAWLEY.
Chief Clerk.

NAMES, RESIDENCES AND PLACES OF BUSINESS

OF THE
BOARD OF ALDERMEN.
1873-4.

1. Samuel B. H. Vance, President; place of business corner of 24th street and 10th avenue; residence 206 West 2d street.

2. Oliver P. C. Billings, place of business, 15 Nassau street; residence, 143 East 34th street.

3. Jenkins Van Schaick, place of business, 13 Bread street; residence, 1 University place.

4. Stephen V. R. Cooper, place of business, 17 Broadway; residence, 218 West 5th street.

5. John Falconer place of business, 472 Broome street residence, 308 East 15th street.

6. George Koch, place of business, 23 Rivington street; residence, 638 Lexington avenue.

7. Peter Kehr, place of business, 115 Norfolk street; residence, 52 Seventh street.

8. Robert McCafferty, place of business, 654 5th avenue; residence, 858 Lexington avenue.

9. Oswald Ottendorfer, place of business, 17 Chatham street; residence, 7 East 17th street.

10. Edward Gilon, place of business, 64 Clinton Market; residence, 557 Hudson street.

11. Patrick Lysaght, place of business, 514 Pearl street; residence, 21 City Hall Place.

12. Richard Flanagan, place of business, 312 West 22d street; residence, 312 West 22d street.

13. John Reilly, place of business, 62 East 14th street; residence, 314 East 14th street.

14. John J. Morris, place of business, 59 University Place; residence, 117 West 21st street.

15. Joseph A. Monheimer, place of business, 233 East 31st street; residence, 233 East 31st street.

16. SAMUEL B. H. VANCE, President.

JOSEPH C. PINCKNEY, Clerk, 27 Stuyvesant st.

STANDING COMMITTEES

ARTS AND SCIENCES, INCLUDING PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

Aldermen Billings, Monheimer, Reilly.

FERRIES.

Aldermen Falconer, Cooper, Lysaght.

FINANCE.

Aldermen Van Schaick, Gilon, Kehr, Morris, Ottendorfer.

LANDS AND PLACES.

Aldermen McCafferty, Koch, Gilon.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Aldermen Cooper, Billings, Flanagan.

MARKETS.

Aldermen Morris, Kehr, Lysaght.

PRINTING AND ADVERTISING.

Aldermen Kehr, Ottendorfer, Falconer.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Aldermen Koch, Morris, Gilon.

RAILROADS.

Aldermen Billings, Van Schaick, Ottendorfer.

REPAIRS AND SUPPLIES.

Aldermen Kehr, Cooper, Flanagan.

ROADS.

Aldermen Cooper, Gilon, Reilly.

SALARIES AND OFFICES.

JUSTICE'S (OR DISTRICT) COURTS.

First District, 1st, 2d, 3d, and 5th Wards, S. W. corner of Centre and Chambers streets.	10 a. m., 4 p. m.	
Second District, 4th, 6th, and 14th Wards, 514 Pearl street.	9 a. m., 4 p. m.	
Third District, 8th, 9th, and 15th Wards, 12 Greenwich avenue.	9 a. m., 4 p. m.	
Fourth District, 10th, and 17th Wards, 163 East Houston street.	9 a. m., 4 p. m.	
Fifth District, 7th, 11th, and 13th Wards, 154 Clinton street.	9 a. m., 4 p. m.	
Sixth District,		
Seventh District, 10th and 22d Wards, 57th street, between Third and Lexington avenues.	9 a. m., 4 p. m.	
Eighth District, 16th and 20th Wards, S. W. cor. 22d st. and 7th ave.	9:30 a. m., 4 p. m.	
Ninth District, 12th Ward, 2374 Fourth avenue.	9 a. m., 4 p. m.	
MARINE COURT (Brown stone building.)		
General Term, 32 Chamber	Room 17, 10 a. m., 3 p. m.	
Special " " "	Room 15, " "	
Chambers, " " "	Room 18, " "	
Clerk's Office, " " "	Room 19, 10 a. m., 4 p. m.	
POLICE COURTS.		
First District, 14th, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, and portion of Sanitary Precinct.	Tombs, cor. Franklin and Centre streets.	7 a. m., 3 p. m.
Second District, 8th, 9th, 15th, 16th, 20th, 25th, 32d, 28th, and 29th Precincts.	Greenwich ave., corner of 10th street.	9 a. m., 6 p. m.
Third District, 7th, 10th, 11th, 13th, 17th, 18th, and portion of Sanitary Precinct.	69 Essex street.	8 a. m., 4 p. m.
Fourth District, 10th, 21st, 22d, 23d, and 19th sub-station.	57th street, between 3d and Lexington ave	8 a. m., 5 p. m.
Fifth District, 12th Ward, 2374 Fourth avenue (Harlem.)	8 a. m., 4 p. m.	

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

INDICES OF RECORDS.

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

A LIMITED NUMBER OF COMPLETE SETS OF THE INDICES OF RECORDS are offered for sale, full bound in sheep, as follows:

Grantors,.....	28 volumes.
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Notices of Suits in Equity,.....	8 "
Insolvents, &c.,.....	1 "
Total, 61 "	\$100 00
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Setts unbound,.....	15 25

Incomplete sets may be completed on application at this office.

Communications in relation to the Records should be addressed "Superintendent of Records, Comptroller's Office."

ANDREW H. GREEN
Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, BUREAU OF ARREARS, OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF ARREARS, Dec. 1, 1873.

NOTICE OF SALE OF LANDS AND TENEMENTS for unpaid taxes of 1868 and 1870, and Croton water rents of 1868 and 1869, under the direction of Andrew H. Green, Comptroller of the City of New York. The undersigned hereby gives public notice, pursuant to the provisions of the act entitled "An act for the collection of taxes, assessments and Croton water rents in the City of New York, and to amend the several acts in relation thereto," passed April 8, 1871.

That the respective owners of all lands and tenements in the City of New York on which taxes have been laid and confirmed, situated in the Wards Nos. 1 to 22, inclusive, for the years 1868 and 1870, and now remaining due and unpaid; and also the respective owners of all lands and tenements in the City of New York, situated in the wards aforesaid, on which the regular Croton water rents have been laid for the years 1868 and 1869, and are now remaining due and unpaid, are required to pay the said taxes and Croton water rent so remaining due and unpaid to the Clerk of Arrears, at his office, in the Department of Finance, in the New Court House, with the interest thereon, at the rate of twelve per cent. per annum, to the time of payment with the charges of this notice and advertisement, and if default shall be made in such payment such lands and tenements will be sold at public auction at the New Court House, in the City Hall Park, in the City of New York, on MONDAY, the 9th day of March, 1874, at 12 o'clock noon, for the lowest term of years at which any person shall offer to take the same in consideration of advancing the amount of tax or Croton water rent, as the case may be, so due and unpaid, and the interest thereon as aforesaid to the time of sale, and together with the charges of this notice and advertisement and all other costs and charges accrued thereon, and that such sale will be continued from time to time until all the lands and tenements here advertised for sale shall be sold.

And notice is hereby further given that a detailed statement of the taxes and the Croton water rents, the ownership of the property taxed, and on which Croton rents are unpaid, is published in a pamphlet, and that copies of the pamphlet are deposited in the office of the Bureau of the Clerk of Arrears, and will be delivered to any person applying for the same.

A. S. CADY
Clerk of Arrears.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

No. 32 CHAMBERS STREET, NEW YORK, January 5, 1874.

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

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

By order of the Board,

ALBERT STORER,
Secretary

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

OFFICE CLERK OF THE COMMON COUNCIL, NO. 8 CITY HALL.

THE STATED SESSIONS OF THE BOARD OF Aldermen will be held on Thursday of each week, at 3:30 o'clock, P. M., in the chamber of the Board, room No. 15, City Hall.

JOSEPH C. PINCKNEY,
Clerk

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS,
346 and 348 Broadway.

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR BUILDING TEN (10) DREDGING MACHINES MUD SCOWS.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR BUILDING TEN (10) Dredging Machine Mud Scows, will be received at the office of the Department of Docks until 12 o'clock noon, of Monday, February 9, 1874, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read.

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

The time allowed for doing the work is ninety days from the date of signing the contract.

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.

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

The Department of Docks reserves the right to decline any and all proposals, if deemed to be for the public interest; and no proposal will be accepted from, or contract awarded to any person who is in arrears to the Corporation, upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as security or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

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

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

JACOB A. WESTERVELT,
WILLIAM GARDNER,
WILLIAM BUDD,
Commissioners of the Department of Docks.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE Committee on Normal Schools, at the Hall of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, until Monday, February 16th, 1874, and until 4 o'clock P. M., on said day, for the desks, seats, and other furniture required for the new school building on Lexington avenue, between 68th and 69th streets.

Also, at the same time and place, sealed proposals will be received for the steam heating apparatus for said building.

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

Two responsible and approved sureties will be required from each successful bidder; proposals will not be considered unless sureties are named.

The Committee reserves the right to reject any or all of the proposals offered.

JAMES W. FARR,
J. CROSBY BROWN,
ALBERT KLAMROTH,
R. W. TOWNSEND,
JAMES M. HALSTED,
Committee on Normal Schools.

Dated New York, Jan. 30, 1874.

NOTICE.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT APPLICATION has been made to the Board of Health and that permission has been granted by said Board to remove all remains of persons now buried in the grounds or deposited in the vaults of the First Presbyterian Church, located between First and Second streets and between First and Second avenues in the Seventeenth Ward of the city of New York.

Permission has also been given to have said remains removed to such cemetery or cemetery as may be designated by the School Trustees of the 17th Ward.

If any of the relatives or friends of the deceased persons above referred to, desire to have the remains or desire to have the removal effected in any special manner (at their own cost) they are requested to notify the undersigned within thirty days from the date of this advertisement.

LAW D. KIERNAN,
Clerk of the Board of Education,
Corner of Grand and Elm streets.

Dated New York, January 9, 1874.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

NOTICE TO BUILDERS AND PROPERTY OWNERS.

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

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

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

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

W. W. ADAMS,
Superintendent of Buildings.DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,
Office No. 2 Fourth av., opposite Sixth st.,

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

W. W. ADAMS
Superintendent.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE,
CENTRAL DEPARTMENT OF THE METROPOLITAN POLICE,
300 Mulberry street, NEW YORK, Jan. 26, 1874.

OWNERS WANTED, BY THE PROPERTY Clerk, 300 Mulberry street, room 39, for the following property now in his custody without claimants: One boat and 10 lbs iron, lot of leaf tobacco, lot of revolvers, drum boots, clothing, and several small lots of mon.

C. A. ST. JOHN,
Property Clerk.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

PROPOSALS

FOR BUILDING FOUR CHEMICAL FIRE ENGINES.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF NEW YORK (127 and 129 Mercer street),
NEW YORK, February 2, 1874.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR BUILDING FOUR chemical fire engines for the extinguishment of fires by the application of water charged with carbonic acid gas, each engine to be capable of holding 150 gallons, will be received at these headquarters until 12 o'clock, noon, Thursday, February 12, 1874, at which time the bids will be publicly opened.

Plans and specifications for the building of the engines for which the bid is made must accompany each proposal, and the time required for the completion and delivery of the same must be specified therein.

Two responsible sureties will be required with each proposal, who must justify in double the amount of the bid.

Blank forms and proposals and further information can be obtained upon application at these headquarters.

Proposals to be endorsed as above.

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