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## LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

STATED SESSION.

### BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

MAY 1, 1873.

Message from His Honor the MAYOR.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,  
NEW YORK, May 1, 1873.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of New York:

I herewith transmit to you a communication from the Taxpayers' and Citizens' Protective Union of the Twelfth Ward, indicating a desire that "the street on the westerly side of Mount Morris park be named Morris avenue;" and requesting me to submit the subject of so naming that street to your consideration.

W. F. HAVEMEYER,

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

### RESOLUTIONS.

A resolution designating the number and compensation of the clerks and other employees of the Board was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Kehr, Koch, Lysaght, McCafferty, Monheimer, Morris, Reilly, and Van Schaick—13.

Negative—Alderman Ottendorfer—1.

JOS. C. PINCKNEY, Clerk.

### SPECIAL SESSION.

#### BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

MAY 2, 1873.

Message from His Honor the MAYOR.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,  
NEW YORK, May 2, 1873.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of New York:

I avail myself of the opportunity offered me by your meeting of to-day to announce to you the death of Hon. James Brooks, for many years representative in the Congress of the United States of the Sixth Congressional District of this City.

Mr. Brooks has for a long period been connected with one of the prominent daily journals of this city, and in addition to his public services as representative in Congress, has, in his professional relations, been so intimately acquainted with and so deeply interested in the great questions which have agitated the public mind for the past few years, as to invest his career with an interest which in my judgment calls for some respectful recognition from your Honorable Body.

I therefore communicate to you the event of his death for such commemorative notice as it deserves at your hands, and which I have no doubt it will receive.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

In connection with the above, appropriate resolutions of sympathy, regret and condolence were adopted.

JOS. C. PINCKNEY, Clerk.

### STATED SESSION.

#### BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

MAY 5, 1873.

Message from His Honor the MAYOR.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,  
NEW YORK, May 5, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

In pursuance of the provisions of an act, entitled "An act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed the 30th day of April, 1873, I hereby nominate to, and, subject to the consent of the Board of Aldermen, appoint John Wheeler a Commissioner and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, to hold said office for the term of six years, to wit, until the first day of May, which will be in the year 1879. Also, George H. Andrews, a Commissioner of said Department of Taxes and Assessments, to hold said office for the term of four years, to wit, until the first day of May, which will be in the year 1877; and Severn D. Moulton, a Commissioner of said Department of Taxes and Assessments, to hold said office for the term of two years, to wit, until the first day of May, which will be in the year 1875.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Laid on the table, and ordered printed in the minutes.

Subsequently, and at the meeting of May 8, 1873, each of the above nominations, respectively, were confirmed.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,  
NEW YORK, May 5, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

In pursuance of the provisions of an act entitled "An act to reorganize the Local Government of the City of New York," passed April 30, 1873, I hereby nominate to, and, subject to the consent of the Board of Aldermen, appoint Henry Clausen an Alderman of the City of New York, to fill the vacancy in said Board occasioned by the decease of Peter Gilsey, and to serve until the first day of January next, at noon.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Laid on the table, and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Subsequently, and at the meeting of May 8, 1873, the above nomination was confirmed.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,  
NEW YORK, May 5, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

In pursuance of the provisions of an act entitled "An act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed the 30th day of April, 1873, I hereby nominate to, and subject to the consent of the Board of Aldermen, appoint Charles F. Chandler a Commissioner of Health and President of the Board of Health for the term of four years, to wit, until the first day of May, which will be in the year 1877; and Stephen Smith, M. D., a Commissioner of Health for the term of two years, to wit, until the first day of May, which will be in the year 1875.

Inasmuch as there are but two Commissioners of Health to appoint, I have designated for the two shorter terms—

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Laid on the table, and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Subsequently, and at the meeting of May 8, 1873, the above nominations, respectively were confirmed.

JOS. C. PINCKNEY, Clerk.

### STATED SESSION.

#### BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

MAY 8, 1873.

Messages from His Honor the MAYOR.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,  
NEW YORK, May 8, 1873.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of New York:

I herewith transmit a letter received from Colonel Emmons Clark, commanding the Seventh Regiment, N. G. S. N. Y., inviting the Mayor and Common Council to review that regiment at the City Hall, on Thursday, the 22d instant, at 4 o'clock, P. M.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Accompanying invitation, accepted.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,  
NEW YORK, May 8, 1873.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of New York:

It becomes my painful duty to announce to you the death, in this city, yesterday morning, of Hon. Salmon P. Chase, late Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. This melancholy event is one of great public importance, and though sudden, yet it could not not have been altogether unexpected. Chief Justice Chase stood, for a long series of years, among the foremost of the public men of this country. His services in the Councils of the nation, his pre-eminence ability, displayed in the successful administration of the finances of the country as a member of President Lincoln's Cabinet during the war of the Rebellion, and his high character as the head of the highest judicial tribunal of the land, have rendered his memory dear to the whole people. Like many of his colleagues in the Cabinet of our late President, he has now yielded his life to disease brought on by unremitting and herculean labors in the cause of his country. He died among us, and it is fitting that distinguished recognition of the valued and widely appreciated services of this eminent statesman should be extended by the municipal authorities to his memory.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Appropriate resolutions were adopted.

JOS. C. PINCKNEY, Clerk.

### STATED SESSION.

#### BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

MAY 9, 1873.

Messages from His Honor the MAYOR.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,  
NEW YORK, May 9, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

In pursuance of the provisions of an act entitled "An act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed April 30, 1873, I hereby nominate to, and, subject to the consent of the Board of Aldermen, appoint (General) Joseph Dickinson, Marvin R. Clark,

Patrick Dailey, (Captain) Alexander S. Tolpanyi, Joseph Phillips, John T. Stewart, and Joseph C. Joseph, City Marshals of the City of New York, to hold said office for the term of three years, to wit, until the first day of May which will be in the year 1876, as provided by Chapter 804 of the Laws of 1871.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Which was received and ordered to be printed in full in the minutes.

Subsequently, and at the meeting of May 15, 1873, the above nominations, respectively were confirmed.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,  
NEW YORK, May 9, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

In pursuance of the provisions of an act entitled "An act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed the 30th day of April, 1873, I hereby nominate to, and, subject to the consent of the Board of Aldermen, appoint William Laimbeer a Commissioner of the Department of Charities and Corrections, to serve until the first day of May, which will be in the year 1879; James Bowen a Commissioner of the Department of Charities and Corrections, to serve until the first day of May, which will be in the year 1877; and Myer Stern a Commissioner of the Department of Charities and Corrections, to serve until the first day of May, which will be in the year 1875.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Which was received, and ordered to be printed in full in the minutes.

Subsequently, and at the meeting of May 15, 1873, the above nominations were respectively confirmed.

JOS. C. PINCKNEY, Clerk.

### SPECIAL SESSION.

#### BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

MAY 15, 1873.

Messages from His Honor the MAYOR.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,  
NEW YORK, May 15, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

In pursuance of the provisions of an act entitled "An Act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed the 30th day of April, 1873, I hereby nominate to, and subject to the consent of the Board of Aldermen, appoint as Fire Commissioners of the City of New York, Joseph L. Perley, to serve for the term of six years, ending May 1, 1879; Roswell D. Hatch, to serve for the term of four years, ending May 1, 1877; and Cornelius Van Cott, to serve for the term of two years, ending May 1, 1875.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Laid on the table, and printed in the minutes.

Subsequently, and at the meeting of May 15, 1873, the above nominations were respectively confirmed.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,  
NEW YORK, May 15, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

In pursuance of the provisions of an act entitled "An Act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed April 30, 1873, I hereby nominate to, and, subject to the consent of the Board of Aldermen, appoint Walter W. Adams a Commissioner of Buildings for the City of New York, to hold said office for the term of six years, ending the first day of May, which will be in the year 1879.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Which was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Subsequently, and at the meeting of May 16, 1873, the above nomination was confirmed.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,  
NEW YORK, May 15, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

In pursuance of an act entitled "An Act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed April 30, 1873, I hereby nominate to, and, subject to the consent of the Board of Aldermen, appoint as City Marshals of the City of New York, to hold said office for the term of three years, ending May 1, 1876, as provided by chapter 804, Laws of 1871, the following persons: Daniel A. Murphy, Abram Springsteen, Frank Webb, Leopold Garde, Charles F. Mather, John Duggan, Jr., John McDonough, Dennis Galvin, John H. Hillier, George Boucsien, Aaron M. Ehrlich, Henry C. Carey, and Stephen D. Hall.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Which was laid on the table and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Subsequently, and at the meeting of May 16, 1873, the above nominations, respectively, were confirmed.

JOS. C. PINCKNEY, Clerk.

### STATED SESSION.

#### BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

MAY 16, 1873.

Messages from His Honor the MAYOR.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,  
NEW YORK, May 16, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

In pursuance of section 11 of chapter 382, Laws of 1870, providing for the final completion of the New County Court House of the City of New York, and of "An Act entitled an Act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed April 30, 1873, I hereby nominate to, and subject to the Board of Aldermen, appoint Wyllis Blackstone, Thomas B. Tappen, John P. Cummings, and Smith E. Shaw, Commissioners to provide for the final completion of the New County Court House of the City of New York.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Laid on the table and ordered printed in the minutes.

Subsequently, and at the meeting of May 19, 1873, the question of the legality of appointing Commissioners for the completion of the New County Court House, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of New York, was referred to the Counsel of the Corporation for his opinion.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,  
NEW YORK, May 16, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

In pursuance of the provisions of an act entitled "An Act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed April 30, 1873, I hereby nominate to, and subject to the consent of the Board of Aldermen, appoint as City Marshals of the City of New York, to hold said office for the term of three years ending the first day of May, which will be in the year 1876, as provided by chapter 804 of the Laws of 1871, the following persons: Adolph Birnbaum, Albert Weber, Christian Sutter, Levi Lippmann, John J. Murphy, Thomas McGrath, William A. Hendricks, Henry Ross, Siegmund Levenson, and Joseph Wallace.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Laid on the table, and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Subsequently, and at the meeting of May 19, 1873, the above nominations were respectively confirmed, with the exception of Thomas McGrath, which was withdrawn.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,  
NEW YORK, May 16, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

In pursuance of the provisions of an act entitled "An Act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed April 30, 1873, I hereby nominate to, and, subject to the consent of the Board of Aldermen, appoint Jacob A. Westervelt a Commissioner of Docks for the City of New York, to serve for the term of six years, ending May 1, 1879; William Gardiner, a like Commissioner, to serve for the term of four years, ending May 1, 1877; and William Budd, a like Commissioner, to serve for the term of two years, ending May 1, 1875.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Laid on the table, and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Subsequently, and at the meeting of May 19, 1873, the above nominations were, respectively, confirmed.

JOS. C. PINCKNEY, Clerk.

### STATED SESSION.

#### BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

MAY 19, 1873.

Messages from His Honor the MAYOR.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,  
NEW YORK, May 19, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

I hereby respectfully beg leave to withdraw the name of Thomas McGrath, nominated in my message of the 16th instant to your honorable Body, as a City Marshal of the City of New York. In recalling this nomination I would state that I did so, not on account of any objections raised against the character or fitness of that gentleman for the position designated, but for the reason that the nomination was, in the first instance made under misapprehension.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

The request of his Honor the Mayor, was granted.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,  
NEW YORK, May 19, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

In pursuance of the provision of chapter 202 of the Laws of 1870, entitled "An Act to provide for a Police Court House in the Third Judicial District, in the City of New York," and on an act entitled "An Act to reorganize the Local Government of the city of New York," passed April 30, 1873, I hereby nominate to, and, subject to the consent of the Board of Aldermen, appoint Henry H. Porter a Commissioner "to locate and erect in the Third Judicial District of the City of New York, a suitable building to be used as a court house and place for the de-



tention of prisoners brought to the police court in said district."

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Laid on the table, and ordered printed in the minutes.

Subsequently, and at the meeting of May 20, 1873, the consideration of the above nomination was postponed.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 19, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

In pursuance of the provisions of chapter 804, of the Laws of 1871, and of an act entitled "An Act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed April 30, 1873, I hereby nominate to, and, subject to the consent of the Board of Aldermen, appoint as City Marshals of the City of New York, to serve for the term of three years, ending May 1, 1876, the following persons: Frederick Reinemann, recommended to me by Mr. John Foley and others; Patrick Feeny, recommended to me by Alderman Lysaght and Hon. Dennis Burns; Cornelius Farley, recommended to me by Alderman McCafferty; John A. Weth, recommended to me by Alderman Reilly; John Larkin, recommended to me by Alderman Koch, and James Boylan, recommended to me by Alderman Flanagan.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Laid on the table, and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Subsequently, and at the meeting of May 20, 1873, the above nominations were, respectively, confirmed, except Frederick Reinemann, who was confirmed at the meeting of the 22d of May.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 19, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

Pursuant to a resolution of your honorable Body, passed 16th inst., I herewith inclose the testimonials and recommendations of the following named persons, nominated to your honorable Body for City Marshals on that day: Adolph Birnbaum, Albert Weber Christian Sutter, Levy Lippmann, John J. Murphy, William A. Hendricks, Henry Ross, Siegmund Levenson, Joseph Wallace.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Received, and placed on file.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 19, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

In pursuance of the provision of an act entitled "An Act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed April 30, 1873, I hereby nominate to, and, subject to the consent of the Board of Aldermen, appoint as Police Commissioners of the City of New York, Oliver Charlick, to hold said office for the term of five years, ending May 1, 1878; Hugh Gardiner, to hold said office for the term of three years, ending May 1, 1876; (General) Abram Duryee, to hold said office for the term of two years, ending May 1, 1875; John J. Russell, to hold said office for the term of one year, ending May 1, 1874.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Laid on the table, and ordered printed in the minutes.

Subsequently, and at the meeting of May 20, 1873, the above nominations were respectfully confirmed.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 19, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

In pursuance of the provisions of an act entitled "An Act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed April 30, 1873, I hereby nominate to, and, subject to the consent of the Board of Aldermen, appoint James Crawford, Nicholas McCormick, Theodore S. Kent, and Jacob J. Banta, Inspector of Weights and Measures in the City of New York.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Laid on the table, and ordered printed in the minutes.

Subsequently, and at the meeting of May 20, 1873, the above nominations were confirmed, in reverse order.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 19, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

In pursuance of the provisions of an act entitled "An Act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed April 30, 1873, I hereby nominate to, and, subject to the consent of the Board of Aldermen, appoint as Commissioners of Jurors, Joseph B. Varnum.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Also the following:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 19, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

The provisions of chapter 335 of the Laws of 1873, entitled "An Act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," being express in requiring the appointment of a Commissioner of Jurors, I this day nominate to your body a person for that office. There is, however, a legal and constitutional question involved in relation to this officer, and I therefore request and recommend that the nomination be laid over until the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation shall have been obtained upon the subject.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Referred to the Corporation Counsel for his opinion.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 19, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

In pursuance of the provisions of an act entitled "An Act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed April 30, 1873, I hereby nominate to, and, subject to the consent of the Board of Aldermen, appoint George W. Lane Chamberlain of the City of New York.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Laid on the table, and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Subsequently, and at the meeting of May 30, 1873, the above nomination was confirmed.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 19, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

In pursuance of the provisions of an act entitled "An Act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed April 30, 1873, I hereby nominate to, and, subject to the consent of the Board of Aldermen, appoint as Commissioners of the Department of Parks of the City of New York, Philip Bissinger, to hold said office for the term of four years, ending May 1, 1877; David B. Williamson, to hold said office for the term of three years, ending May 1, 1876; Salem H. Wales, to hold said office for the term of two years, ending May 1, 1875; Frederick E. Church, to hold said office for the term of one year, ending May 1, 1874.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Laid on the table and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Subsequently, and at the meeting of May 20, 1873, consideration of the above was postponed for one week. Subsequently, and at the meeting of the 22d of May, the nominations of Philip Bissinger and Salem H. Wales were confirmed and the consideration of the other two nominations was again postponed.

JOS. C. PINCKNEY, Clerk.

STATED SESSION.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

MAY 22, 1873.

Messages from His Honor the MAYOR.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 22, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

In pursuance of the provisions of an act, chapter 804, Laws of 1871, and of an act entitled "An Act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed April 30th, 1873, I hereby nominate to, and, subject to the consent of the Board of Aldermen, appoint Thomas McGrath, residing at No. 31 Madison Street, a Marshal of the City of New York, to hold said office for the term of three years ending May 1, 1876, in place of Christian Sutter, heretofore nominated to your honorable Body and not confirmed.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Which was confirmed. JOS. C. PINCKNEY, Clerk.

STATED SESSION.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

MAY 29, 1873.

Messages from His Honor the MAYOR.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 29, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

I hereby respectfully beg leave to withdraw the name of Frederick E. Church, nominated to you in my communication of the 19th instant as a Commissioner of the Department of Public Parks, as that gentleman has expressed a disposition to decline the office.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

The request was granted.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 29, 1873.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of New York:

I herewith transmit a petition of occupants of stores in Warren street, between Church street and College place, requesting that the present "horrible condition" of the pavement in said street be remedied. In transmitting this petition for your consideration I would beg leave to call your attention to the fact that the street in question has been once paved, and that under the provisions of section 115 of the present Charter, no assessment can be levied for the improvement thereof, unless the same be approved by a majority of the owners of the property along the line of the proposed improvement. In the absence of such a petition in this case, the expense of the proposed improvement will become a charge upon the city at large.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Which was referred to the Committee on Street Pavements.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 29, 1873.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of New York:

I herewith transmit to your honorable Body the accompanying extract from the minutes of the Bar Association of this city, recommending that the ordinances of the City of New York should be revised and, as far as possible, codified.

As the seventeenth section of the present charter provides that, "as far as practicable, the ordinances of the Common Council shall be reduced to a code, and be published in the CITY RECORD." I recommend the resolutions

of the Bar Association to your favorable consideration.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Which was referred to Special Committee appointed for the purpose of codifying the laws, consisting of the Clerk and the Committee on Law of this Board.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 29, 1873.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of New York:

Inclosed herein I send to your honorable Body weekly reports of the Chamberlain for the week ending May 10, 1873, and for the week ending May 17, 1873, addressed to me by the Chamberlain, in conformity with chapter 335 of the laws of 1873, section 35.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 29, 1873.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of New York:

I herewith transmit the Third Annual Report of the Department of Docks, being for the year ending April 30, 1873, together with the printed manual of the Department published June, 1872, and referred to in the said report, as also the communication of the Secretary of the Department accompanying the same.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Which was received, and, in connection with the second annual report, presented July 15, 1872, 1,000 copies ordered to be printed in document form.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 29, 1873.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of New York:

The enclosed communication from Hon. A. H. Green, Comptroller, in relation to the Court of Sixth Judicial District, is transmitted to your honorable Body for such action as the emergency specified may seem to require.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Referred to Committee on Law Department, together with communication from the Comptroller.

JOS. C. PINCKNEY, Clerk.

STATED SESSION.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

JUNE 5, 1873.

Messages from His Honor the MAYOR.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 31, 1873.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of New York:

I herewith transmit to your Honorable Body a report of Fire-Marshal Thomas McSpedon, submitted to me, and setting forth the transactions of the Bureau of the Fire Marshal of the City of New York, April 4, 1873.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Received and ordered on file.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 31, 1873.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of New York:

I have received the enclosed communication from Mr. Walter F. Jones, offering for sale to the City of New York an original portrait, executed by Col. Trumbull, of the late Hon. De Witt Clinton, formerly Mayor of the City of New York and Governor of this State.

I transmit the same for your consideration.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Referred to the Committee on Arts and Sciences.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 31, 1873.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of New York:

Enclosed herewith I send to your Honorable Body the weekly report of the City Chamberlain, for the week ending May 24, 1873, submitted to me in compliance with the provisions of chapter 335, laws of 1873.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Ordered on file.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 31, 1873.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of New York:

I take occasion respectfully to call your attention to the expected arrival at this principal port of the nation of the steamship "Thuringia," which sailed from Hamburg the 28th inst., having on board the remains of the late Minister of the United States to the Court of Russia, the Honorable James L. Orr, of South Carolina; and to suggest the exhibition, in the name and on behalf of the City, by its public authorities, of some appropriate mark of respect for the distinguished character and station of the deceased.

The public career of Mr. Orr in his own State and in the Congress of the United States, where he became the Speaker of the House of Representatives, was one of great distinction. In his adherence to the southern revolt against the government he, naturally, was placed in eminent positions in the confederate government, but, upon the suppression of its authority by the triumph of the national arms, he promptly accepted the result as conclusive of the controversy, and has since labored with sincere and zealous devotion in the cause of pacification, for a complete restoration of the authority of the national government over all its people.

The cordial and generous recognition by the President of the United States of the disposition and the ability which Mr. Orr brought to this great work of restoration, in conferring upon him the elevated public trusts of Minister to Russia,

was heartily supported by the country; and in the same spirit we may well desire to offer such public honors to his memory as will show that the population and government of this great city concur in approving and respecting the conduct and purposes of Governor Orr since the close of the civil war, in renewing and maintaining the authority of the national government and restoring peace and good will among all its citizens.

I submit to the wisdom of the Common Council the form and manner in which these public honors shall be rendered upon the sad occasion which calls them forth.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Whereupon Alderman Kehr offered the following:

Whereas, His Honor the Mayor having officially communicated to this Common Council the expected arrival at this port of the steamship Thuringia, having on board the remains of the late James L. Orr, who died in a foreign land while in the service of the people of the United States, being at the time of his death the Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of this Republic at the Court of St. Petersburg, Russia; and

Whereas, Fully concurring in the views expressed by his Honor the Mayor, in his message to this Common Council, and desiring to give effect to his recommendations that civic municipal honors be accorded to the remains of the illustrious deceased upon their arrival in our harbor; be it therefore

Resolved, That a Joint Special Committee of five members of each branch of the Common Council, together with the President of each Board, be appointed to make arrangements for receiving formally, on behalf of the people of this city, the remains of the deceased minister upon the arrival of the steamer in the lower bay; that the Governor's Room in the City Hall be and is hereby assigned for their reception; that an opportunity be afforded the people of viewing the body while in state in the City Hall; that such other arrangements as may be deemed better calculated to do honor to the illustrious dead, by the people and government of this city, be made and carried into effect by the said special committee, during the time the remains are entrusted to the keeping of the municipal authorities, and to that end the co-operation of civic societies, particularly the Order of Free and Accepted Masons, of which he was a distinguished member, be invited.

On motion of Alderman Cooper, the resolution was adopted, and the President appointed as such special committee—

Aldermen Kehr,

Cooper,

Morris,

Ottendorfer, and

McCafferty.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, June 5, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

In pursuance of the provisions of an act, chapter 538, Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to secure better administration in the police courts, in the City of New York," passed May 17, 1873, I hereby nominate, and, subject to the consent of the Board of Aldermen, appoint

Alfred T. Ackert and

Solomon T. Streeter,

Police Justices in and for the City of New York.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Laid on the table and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

JOS. C. PINCKNEY, Clerk.

STATED SESSION.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 1873.

Message from His Honor the MAYOR.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, June 12, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

In pursuance of the provisions of an act entitled "An Act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed April 30, 1873, I hereby nominate to, and, subject to the consent of the Board of Aldermen, appoint, Dr. Samuel Hall a Commissioner of the Department of Public Parks, to hold said office for the term of one year, ending May 1, 1874, in the place of Frederick E. Church, heretofore nominated, and by the consent of your Honorable Body withdrawn.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Laid on the table, and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

JOS. C. PINCKNEY, Clerk.

STATED SESSION.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

THURSDAY, JUNE 19, 1873.

Message from His Honor the MAYOR.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, June 17, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

In pursuance of the provisions of an act chapter 538, Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to secure better administration in the Police Courts of the City of New York," passed May 17, 1873, I hereby nominate, and, subject to the consent of the Board of Aldermen, appoint Edward Fitch, Thomas D. Sherwood, William G. Ushofer, Elial F. Hall, James F. Kilbreth, Water S. Cowles, Marcus Ottenbourg, Benj. C. Wandell, Police Justices in and for the City of New York.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

Which was laid on the table and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

JOS. C. PINCKNEY, Clerk.



STATED SESSION.

BOARD OF ASSISTANT ALDERMEN

MONDAY, June 23, 1873. } 2 o'clock P. M.

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

Present—William Wade, Esq., President, in the Chair; and the following members: Assistant Aldermen Thomas Foley, Jeremiah Murphy, Charles M. Clancy, John C. Keating, Henry Wisser, Michael Healy, Thomas L. Thornell, John Theiss, George F. Coddington, Joseph P. Strack, William S. Kreps, Patrick Keenan, John J. Kehoe, Edward Brucks, George Kelly, Stephen N. Simonson, Philip Cumisky, Henry A. Linden, Isaac Sommers, and Benjamin Beyea.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

RESOLUTIONS.

By Assistant Alderman Clancy— Resolved, That the Clerk of this Board be directed to have the chairs, desks and the necessary conveniences put in the proper condition, and the necessary repairs made for the meetings of the Board of Assistant Aldermen.

Which was adopted. By the same— Resolved, That permission be and is hereby granted to Messrs. Mitchell & Kinzler, to erect a light, open portico, fifteen feet in height, in front of their premises No. 225 and 227 Fifth Avenue of the length of 23 1/2 feet, to extend in width not over ten feet, provided they remove the railing said length which now extends fifteen feet in width; the work to be done under the direction and approval of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee of Public Works.

By Assistant Alderman Keating— Resolved, That a Sewer, with the necessary receiving Basins and Culverts be built in Madison Street from Scannel to Gouverneur Street under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Sewers.

By Assistant Alderman Thornell— Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Joseph Onorato to erect a lamp-post in front of his premises No. 834 Broadway. The gas to be supplied through his own meter-work to be done at his own expense, and under supervision of Commissioner of Public Works, such permission to remain only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Coddington, Strack, Kreps, the President, Kehoe, Simonson, Linden, Beyea—12.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Clancy, Healy, Theiss, Keenan, Brucks, Kelly, Cumisky, Sommers—9.

By the same— Resolved, That the Clerk of this Board be, and he is hereby directed to prepare a printed list of all unfinished business since January 1, 1873, stating whether or not the same has been laid over, or if referred, to what Committees, the same to be classified as originating in this Board, or in the Board of Aldermen.

Which was adopted.

By Assistant Alderman Brucks— Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to have the following named streets repaired forthwith. 39th street, from 9th avenue to north river, 32d street, from 9th to 10th avenues, and 30th street, from 10th avenue to the north river, as the streets above named are in a very bad condition as the water in the holes of said portion of the said streets has become stagnated and detrimental to the Public Health.

Which was adopted. By the same— Resolved, That George Boucein be and he is hereby re-appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, his term having expired.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Coddington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Linden, Sommers, Beyea—21.

G. O. 1.

By Assistant Alderman Simonson. Resolved, That the vacant Lots on north east corner of seventh avenue and fifty-third street, be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioners of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 2.

By Assistant Alderman Linden— Resolved, That the vacant Lots on West side of Ninth Avenue from Fifty-seventh to Fifty-eighth street be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefore be adopted.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 3.)

By the same— Resolved, That the free drinking hydrant now situated on the north west corner of the Boulevard and west Sixty-seventh street, be and the same is hereby changed to the north east corner of the Boulevard and west Sixty-seventh street under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 4.

By Assistant Alderman Sommers— Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to place four gas lamps, and have the same lighted in front of the Temple of the Congregation "Anshe Chesed," situated at the corner of Sixty-third street and Lexington Avenue, the same to remain only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 5.

By the same— Resolved, That Gas Lamps be placed in Sixty-sixth street between Madison and Fourth Avenues and the same lighted under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 6.

By the same— Resolved, That gas mains be laid, lamp posts erected, and street lamps lighted in Fifty-fifth street, from Fourth avenue to Fifth avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 7.

By Assistant Alderman Beyea— Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to have so much of Fourth Avenue from One Hundred and Sixteenth Street to One Hundred and Twenty-fourth Street as lies on each side of the improvement now in progress of sinking the track for railroad purposes, regulated and graded, and that the work be done otherwise than by public letting to the lowest bidder, if it shall be deemed for the best interest of the City by the said Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

By Assistant Alderman Clancy— Resolved, That the Board of Apportionment be, and they are hereby requested to appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars, for the purpose of celebrating the coming Fourth of July, 1873, and the same to be expended by the Common Council, and be it further

Resolved, That a Committee of Five from each Board of the Common Council be appointed to name places for the celebration, and make the necessary arrangements.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Theiss, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Cumisky, Linden, Sommers, Beyea—18.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Thornell, Coddington, Simonson—3.

And the President appointed Assistant Aldermen Foley, Beyea, Keating, Strack and Sommers as such committee on the part of this Board.

PAPERS FROM THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That permission be, and the same is hereby given to Mrs. Armstrong, to place and keep a canvas awning in front of her place of business, No. 650 Sixth avenue, the work to be done at her own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was concurred in by the following vote—

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Coddington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Cumisky Linden, Sommers, Beyea—20.

Negative—Simonson—1

Being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Owen O'Rourke to erect and keep a watering trough in front of his premises on the north-east corner of sixth avenue and thirteenth street the work to be done at his own expense under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Referred to Committee on Public Works.

Being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to S. H. Evert to place three ornamental lamps inside the curbstone and on a line with the other street lamps, in front of premises, Nos. 104 and 106 Vesey street, to be supplied with gas from his own meter, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was referred to the Committee on Lamps and Gas.

Being a resolution as follows— Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to Messrs. Hawk and Wetherbee, proprietors of the Windsor Hotel, to place and light three gas lamps opposite the main entrance to the Hotel, on Fifth avenue, two lamps in front of the side entrance, on Forty-sixth street, and two lamps in front of the side entrance on Forty-seventh street, provided the gas be supplied at their own expense, and the work be done under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; the permission hereby given to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was concurred in by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Coddington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Linden, Sommers, Beyea.—21.

MOTIONS.

Assistant Alderman Healy moved that the Board do now adjourn.

Which was carried. And the President announced that the Board stood adjourned until Monday next, the 30th inst, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

WILLIAM H. MOLONEY, Clerk.

THE CITY RECORD.

Pursuant to a written call of His Honor the Mayor, the Mayor, Commissioner of Public Works, and Counsel to the Corporation, met in the Mayor's Office, Thursday, May 8, 1873, at 4 o'clock P. M., under authority of the "Act to reorganize the Local Government of the City of New York," passed April 30th, 1873, in relation to THE CITY RECORD therein mentioned, and also in relation to the other matters mentioned in Sections 110 and 111 of said act. On motion of Mr. Van Nort, the Mayor was elected chairman to the Board, and D. S. Wendell appointed Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Smith, A. Disbecker was appointed Supervisor of THE CITY RECORD.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the Mayor was authorized to arrange and contract with the Proprietors of the Daily Register to publish the same as the official CITY RECORD until the further action of this Board, under the Supervision of the Supervisor.

On motion of Mr. Van Nort, said Proprietors and Supervisor were directed to confer with the Corporation Counsel and take his direction, to the end, that said publication may conform to law.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the specifications required by the law in the matter of printing and stationery were referred to Commissioner Van Nort for suggestions in relation thereto.

On motion of Mr. Van Nort, it was ordered that Corporation Counsel Smith prepare an advertisement for contract, and publish the same.

The Herald, Times, Tribune, Sun and Staats Zeitung, were designated as the daily papers having the largest circulation.

Adjourned.

D. S. WENDELL, Secretary.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

At a meeting of the Commissioners of Police of the Police Department of the City of New York, at the Central Department 300 Mulberry street, New York City, on the 22d day of May, 1873, held for the purpose of organization, in pursuance of Chapter 335, of the laws of 1873, Present,

Messrs. HENRY SMITH, OLIVER CHARLICK, HUGH GARDNER, ABRAM DURYEE, JOHN R. RUSSELL, } Commissioners.

the following proceedings were had— Com'r Henry Smith was appointed temporary chairman.

On motion, a "Committee on Organization" was appointed, consisting of Com'r's Gardner and Russell.

The temporary chairman was added to the committee.

Adjourned.

S. C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

The Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment, on the 23d day of May, 1873, all present. The "Committee on Organization" recommended the selection of Commissioner Henry Smith as President of the Board, and Commissioner Oliver Charlick as Treasurer.

They also recommended the appointment of three Committees, to consist of three each, to be known as

The Committee on Street Cleaning, The Committee on Station Houses, The Committee on Rules and Discipline.

They recommended the adoption of the printed Rules and Regulations of the Police Department. The report of the Committee was adopted. Commissioner Henry Smith was thereupon chosen to be President of the Board of Police and Commissioner Oliver Charlick was chosen to be Treasurer of Police.

Adjourned.

S. C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

The Board of Police met on the 23d day of May, 1873, all the Commissioners present. A resolution was adopted authorizing the appointment of four standing Committees, as follows:—

Committee on Street Cleaning. Committee on Station Houses. Committee on Rules and Discipline. Committee on Finance.

The President appointed the Standing Committees, as follows:—

Messrs. CHARLICK, GARDNER and DURYEE. } Committee on Street Cleaning. Messrs. GARDNER, CHARLICK and RUSSELL. } Committee on Station Houses. Messrs. DURYEE and RUSSELL. } Committee on Rules and Discipline. Messrs. RUSSELL and DURYEE. } Committee on Finance.

By resolution the President was appointed ex-officio member of all Standing Committees.

The Rules and Regulations in relation to the Board of Police, the Police force, and the several Bureaus of the Police Department, were then adopted.

A resolution was adopted directing the President to appoint a Committee of Three, to report on the subject of Surgeons, in respect to the member to be appointed, and the manner of selection.

Commissioners Russell and Charlick were appointed a Committee to report "if any changes can be made, having in view the improvement, efficiency and economy of this Department.

A resolution was adopted, removing James J. Kelso from the office of Superintendent of Police. Geo. W. Matsell was appointed Superintendent in place of James J. Kelso, removed.

Application of T. H. Sprenger for a position as Clerk or Interpreter, was referred to the Committee on Station Houses.

Transfers Ordered:

Pat'l. Richard Hawley, from 23d to 3d Precinct. " Andrew B. Mooney, " 20th " 19th "

Detail Ordered:

Pat'l. John O'Brien, 19th Precinct at Hamilton Park.

Bills Ordered Paid:

Thos. McSpedon, (inc'd. expenses), - - - \$32 00 New York Gas Light Co., - - - - - 855 23

Bill Referred to Finance Committee:

B. C. Wheeler & Co., - - - - - \$137 21

Leave granted, under rule, to

Pat'l. Thos. Reynolds, 3d Precinct to receive \$10 00

Leave of Absence:

Surgeant Geo. W. Barrett, 30th Precinct 3 days. Pat'l. Benj. Waters, 18th Precinct 1 day without pay. Captain Washburn, 9th Precinct one-half day

Resignation Accepted:

Pat'l. Thos. Burleigh, 23th Precinct.

Parades Allowed:

U. American Mechanics, Funeral.

Adjourned.

S. C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

The Board of Police met on the 24th day of May, 1873. All Commissioners present.

Doorman Jas. P. Florence, 13th Prec't., was dismissed for violation of rules.

William H. Smith was allowed re-examination by Board of Surgeons.

Leaves of Absence.

Pat'l James Murphy, 3d Prec't., 1/2 day without pay. " R. Hawley, 23d " 3 " " " " " I. E. Beck, 16th " 1/2 " " " " " B. Lamb, 22d " 1/2 " " " " " P. Meany, 23d " 1 " " " "

Application of Thos. H. Lee, Secretary Committee Grand Army of the Republic, that the members of the force be permitted to take part in ceremonies on Decoration Day, was denied. Petition of Peter Miller for leave to apply for reappointment, was denied.

Communication from the Mayor, stating that he had given permission to Rev. W. H. Boole, or any person acting under his direction, to hold preaching in James Slip and vicinity. On file. Resolved, That bills and demands against the Department be referred for examination and report to the committee having charge of the subject matter.

Bill Ordered Paid:

B. C. Wheeler & Co., - - - - - \$137 21

A requisition was ordered to be made on the Comptroller for \$257,400 for account of "Police Fund," and \$5000 for account of "Supplies for Police."

Bill referred to Committee on Finance:

E. M. Van Tassel, - - - - - \$124 10

Petition of Wilhelm Matthias for return of demijohn cider brandy captured from burglars, was referred to Property clerk for report.

Com'r's Charlick and Gardner were appointed a committee to report upon the matter of building Station House and Stables in progress.

Parades Allowed:

Manhattan Stam, No. 171, - - - - - Funeral. A. O. Hibernians, - - - - - " Quarrymen Union, No. 2, - - - - - "

Adjourned.

S. C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

ABSTRACT OF THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD SINCE THE PRESENT ORGANIZATION.

May 9, 1873.—The Board met. Present, President Wheeler, and Commissioners Andrews and Moulton. After a formal organization, the Board adjourned.

May 21.—The resignation of Francis A. Sands, as Assessor was presented and accepted.

May 27.—The Resignation of Robert C. Sands, as Clerk, to take effect May 31, was accepted.

B. B. Chappell was appointed Clerk in place of Frank Riley.

May 31.—The annual salaries of the Department, were fixed as follows, to commence June 1st:

Secretary.....\$2,000 Deputy at Large.....2,500 " in charge of Personal Estate.....2,500 Deputies in District, each.....2,000 Clerks, each.....1,500 Superintendent.....1,500 Messengers, each.....1,000 Surveyor.....2,400 Assistant Surveyor.....1,800 The annual salaries in the Assessors Bureau were fixed as follows, to commence June 1st: Assessors, each.....\$2,500 Secretary.....2,000 Clerks, each.....1,800



