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### LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

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### BOARD OF ASSISTANT ALDERMEN.

MONDAY, JULY 27, 1874,  
2 o'clock P. M.

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

#### PRESENT:

JOSEPH P. STRACK, Esq., President, in the chair,

#### AND THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

Thomas Foley,	George F. Codington,
Jeremiah Murphy,	William S. Kreps,
Charles M. Clancy,	Patrick Keenan,
John C. Keating,	William Wade,
Henry Wisser,	John J. Kehoe,
Michael Healy,	Edward Brucks,
Thomas L. Thornell,	George Kelly,
John Theiss,	Stephen N. Simonson,
	Benjamin Beyea.

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

#### PETITIONS.

By the President—

Petition of the German saloon keepers praying for the removal of the special tax on Croton water (called Bar Tax).

Which was referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

By Assistant Alderman Clancy—

Petition of the Nursery and Childs' Hospital of the City of New York, for leave to underlet a portion of its property.

Which was laid over.

#### MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Assistant Alderman Foley—

Resolved, That John Brown be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Assistant Aldermen Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, and Beyea—17.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Aldermen for concurrence.

By the same—

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby requested to have Dey street, from Broadway to the river, repaired immediately.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Assistant Aldermen Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, and Beyea—17.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Aldermen for concurrence.

By Assistant Alderman Wisser—

Resolved, That Louis J. Hunt be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds, in place and stead of William A. Wienecke, whose term of office has expired.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Assistant Aldermen Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, and Beyea—17.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Aldermen for concurrence.

By Assistant Alderman Healy—

Resolved, That Jacob Shipsey be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds, in place and for the City and County of New York, in place

and stead of John Galbraith, whose term of office has expired.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Assistant Aldermen Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, and Beyea—17.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Aldermen for concurrence.

By the same—

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

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By the same—

Resolved, That Joseph T. Kelly be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City of New York.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Assistant Aldermen Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, and Beyea—17.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Aldermen for concurrence.

By the same—

Resolved, That the Board of Police Commissioners be and they are respectfully requested to appoint, as Inspectors of Election, only citizens that are well qualified for the position, that can read and write legibly, and of unquestionable character in their respective districts in which they reside; and men of business, giving the residence and place of business, in order that good and competent persons may be selected to preserve the purity of the ballot-box, and the rights of the electors.

Assistant Alderman Clancy moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Law Department.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By the same—

Whereas, The Board of Aldermen, at its meeting held July 7, 1874, passed resolutions, calling upon the Governor of this State to remove from office Honorable William F. Havemeyer, Mayor of the City of New York; and

Whereas, But eight members of the Common Council of this city out of thirty-six voted on resolutions of impeachment; therefore be it

Resolved, That the members of this Board, being the direct representatives of the people of this city, hereby remonstrate and protest against the action had by the Board of Aldermen at its meeting held July 7, 1874, in passing resolutions calling upon the Governor of this State to remove from office the Honorable William F. Havemeyer, Mayor, as the said action of said Board was not taken after consultation with this Board, and that such action being in our opinion uncalled for, unjust, and for the purpose of subserving partizan objects, and we hereby request the Governor of this State, Hon. John A. Dix, to dismiss the said complaint.

Assistant Alderman Clancy moved to refer the preamble and resolution to the Committee on Arts and Sciences.

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

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Theiss, the President, Assistant Aldermen Keenan, Brucks, Kelly, and Beyea—9.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Codington, Kreps, Wade, Kehoe, and Simonson—9.

Assistant Alderman Clancy moved to lay the resolution on the table.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Theiss, the President, Assistant Aldermen Keenan, Brucks, and Kelly—10.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Healy, Thornell, Codington, Kreps, Wade, Kehoe, Simonson, and Beyea—8.

And the resolution was accordingly laid on the table.

By Assistant Alderman Thornell—

Whereas, Recent experiences in Chicago and other places in the country have demonstrated that great loss of property by the ravages of fire continue to occur (all of which entail an absolute loss upon the industries and wealth of the country), in addition to the terrible calamities of 1871 and 1872, and which are mainly owing to the lack of vigilance on the part of corporate authorities in preventing the erection of buildings of combustible materials and occupations; and

Whereas, Common prudence dictates to the authorities of this city the necessity of securing laws which will prevent the erection of such structures, and will provide means for removing

those now endangering thickly settled portions of the city; and

Whereas, This Board, on the 25th day of August, 1873, did pass the following:

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the New York Fire Department be requested to cause a particular and personal examination to be made of all planing-mills, saw-mills, and of all other extensive wood-working establishments located in this city, and to report to this Board whether any, and if any, which, of such mills or establishments are so situated as, in case of their destruction by fire, to cause serious disaster to neighboring buildings, and also, what measures, such as the erection of brick walls, or otherwise, should be taken to diminish the danger of serious loss and destruction to the city, by a conflagration originating in such mills or establishments.

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the New York Fire Department be also requested to report to this Board whether the laws relating to the storage and sale in this city of the products of petroleum, also the storage and sale of gun-cartridges, percussion-caps, and other explosives are enforced, and whether, in their judgment, any additional laws or ordinances are needed to guard the city from the danger of disastrous conflagration originating from the storage or use of these articles.

In reply to which no report has been made to this Board by the Commissioners of the Fire Department; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Clerk of this Board transmit the foregoing to said Commissioners, with notice, that a prompt reply is required to the resolutions transmitted to them in August last.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Fire Commissioners for a reply.

By the same—

Whereas, The continued and rapid increase of the debt of the City of New York, and the uncertainty as to the nature, extent, and cause of such increase, have become justly a source of general uneasiness, and are calculated to lead to the most serious results; therefore, to the end that such measures may be adopted as shall either arrest such increase, or shall make clear to the tax-payers that such increase is required for the true welfare of the city; be it

Resolved, That the Comptroller be requested to furnish the desired information on the subject of the debt to this Board, at the earliest possible date, and so far as possible in such manner as to answer the subjoined questions.

1st. As to the "Debt payable from the Sinking Fund:"

What was the amount of such debt outstanding December 31, 1871?

What amount, if any, matured during 1872?

Was such matured debt paid out of the Sinking Fund, or by renewal, and, in either case, what amounts?

What amount of new debt was created during the year 1872, and for what purpose?

Total amount outstanding December 31, 1872?

What amount, if any, matured during 1873?

Was such matured debt paid out of the Sinking Fund or by renewal, and, in either case, what amounts?

What amount of new debt was created during the year 1873, and for what purpose?

What was the total amount outstanding December 31, 1873?

What amount has matured during the six months to June 30, 1874?

Was such matured debt paid out of the Sinking Fund or by renewal, and, in either case, what amounts?

Has any new debt been created during the six months of 1874 to June 30, 1874, and for what purpose?

What was the total amount of debt payable from the Sinking Fund outstanding June 30, 1874?

What is the total increase of debt payable from the Sinking Fund, from December 31, 1871, to June 30, 1874?

2d. As to the "Debt payable from Taxation:"

What was the total amount of such debt outstanding December 31, 1871?

What amount, if any, matured in 1872?

Was such matured debt paid out of moneys the proceeds of taxation for that year or by renewal, and, in either case, the amounts?

What was the amount of new debt created during the year 1872, and for what purpose?

What was the total amount of such debt outstanding December 31, 1872?

What amount, if any, matured in 1873?

Was such matured debt paid out of proceeds of taxation for that year, or by renewal, and, in either case, what amounts?

Was any new debt created during the year 1873, and for what amount and for what purpose?

What was the total amount of such debt outstanding December 31, 1873?

Has any portion of such debt matured during the six months of 1874 to June 30?

How was such matured debt paid, and what was the amount?

Has any new debt been created during the six months of 1874 to June 30? how much, and for what purpose?

What was the total amount of such debt outstanding June 30, 1874?

What is the total increase of debt payable from taxation from December 31, 1871, to June 30, 1874?

3d. As to the "Temporary Debt," (payable from assessments, etc.):

What was the amount of such debt on December 31, 1871?

What amount of such debt matured in 1872?

Was such matured debt paid out of collected assessments or by renewal, and, in either case, how much?

What amount of new debt was created during the year 1872, and for what purpose?

What was the amount outstanding December 31, 1872?

What amount of debt matured in 1873?

Was such matured debt paid out of collected assessments or by renewal, and, in either case, how much?

What amount of new debt was created during the year 1873, and for what purpose?

What amount was outstanding December 31, 1873?

What amount of debt matured during the six months of 1874 to June 30?

Was such matured debt paid out of collected assessments or by renewal, and, in either case, how much?

What amount of new debt was created during the six months of 1874 ending June 30, and for what purpose?

What was the total amount of such debt outstanding June 30, 1874?

What is the total increase of Temporary Debt from December 31, 1871, to June 30, 1874?

Is the whole amount of such Temporary Debt, outstanding June 30, 1874, represented by assessments to be collected?

If not, what causes the deficit?

If assessments are uncollectable, wherefore?

Does any other provision exist for the payment of such unprotected Temporary Debt?

4th. As to the "Revenue Bonds:"

What was the amount of such revenue bonds December 31, 1871?

What amount matured during 1872?

Were such matured bonds paid out of revenue or by renewal, and, in either case, what amounts?

What new debt was created in 1872, and for what purpose?

What was the amount outstanding December 31, 1872?

What amount matured during 1873?

Were such matured bonds paid out of revenue or by renewal, and, in either case, what amounts?

What amount of new debt was created during 1873, and for what purpose?

What was the amount of such debt outstanding December 31, 1873?

What amount matured during the six months of 1874 ending June 30?

Were such matured bonds paid out of revenue or by renewal, and, in either case, what amounts?

What amount of new debt has been created during the six months of 1874 to June 30, and for what purpose?

What was the total amount of such debt outstanding June 30, 1874?

What amount of debt of each of the above classes matures during the remaining six months of 1874 (to December 31, 1874), and from what sources are such debts to be paid?

What amount of each of the above classes of debt mature in 1875, and thenceforward, year by year, until the maturity of the said debts, and from what sources are these to be paid?

What amount of bonds is authorized to be issued by acts of the Legislature or otherwise, and for what purposes?

What is the total amount of claims now on file in the Finance Department against the City of New York?

1st. For claims prior to January 1, 1873.

2d. For claims for the year 1873.

3d. For claims for the year 1874.

What is the amount of such claims unquestionably valid?

Can the payment of such valid claims be made out of resources under the control of the Finance Department, or will it require the issue of bonds, and, in either case, how much?

What is the amount of claims the validity of which is in any way questioned, and such classification thereof as may be possible?

Amount of judgments against the city, and source from which such judgments are to be paid?

What was the amount of the Sinking Fund December 31, 1871?

What amount was placed to the credit of the Sinking Fund during the year 1872?

What payments were made out of the Sinking Fund during 1872 for principal of debt paid off?

What amount was paid out for interest?

What was the amount to the credit of the Sinking Fund, December 31, 1872?

What amount was placed to the credit of the Sinking Fund during 1873?

What amount was paid out of Sinking Fund during 1873 for principal of debt paid off?

What amount was paid out for interest?

What was the amount to the credit of the Sinking Fund December 31, 1873?

What amount has been placed to the credit of the Sinking Fund, from December 31, 1873, to June 30, 1874?

What amount was paid out during that period for principal of debt?

What amount for interest?



What was the amount of the Sinking Fund June 30, 1874?

Was the interest due in the year 1872, on the various classes of debt, paid out of sources from which such debts were payable?

Was such interest, or any part thereof, provided for by the issue of bonds, and, if so, how much?

Was the interest due in the year 1873, on the various classes of debt, paid out of the sources from which such debts were payable?

Was such interest, or any part thereof, provided for by the issue of bonds, and, if so, how much?

What is the total amount of interest per annum on the whole amount of debt outstanding June 30, 1874?

Is there in the Department of Finance any estimate of the value of property owned by the city?

When and by whom was such estimate made?

What is the total amount of such valuation?

On the basis of such valuation, what proportion of such property produces no income to the city?

What proportion an income of three per cent. or under?

What proportion an income of four per cent. or under?

What proportion an income of five per cent. or under?

What proportion an income exceeding five per cent.?

Resolved, further, That the Comptroller be requested to communicate in connection with the foregoing any information which will be of interest to the public, and essential to an understanding of our financial system.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolutions:

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Comptroller for a reply.

#### GENERAL ORDERS.

(G. O. 681.)

By Assistant Alderman Theiss—

Resolved, That the lamp-posts and lamps now standing on the north side of Hester street, between Chrystie and Forsyth streets, about seventy-five feet east of Chrystie street, be removed, and placed fifty feet west from its present location, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 682.)

By Assistant Alderman Keenan—

Resolved, That the sidewalks on both sides of Seventh street, from Lewis street to the East river, be flagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

By Assistant Alderman Brucks—

Resolved, That James McGinnis be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in place and stead of Peter Radley, who has failed to qualify.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Aldermen for concurrence.

By Assistant Alderman Simonson—

Whereas, The property-owners on the line of Broadway, between Thirty-second and Fifty-ninth streets are inconvenienced by the frequent stoppages of the work of paving said street;

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested to inform this Board of the cause of the frequent stoppages, and to urge upon the contractor the necessity of pressing forward this work without further delay.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Commissioner of Public Works for a reply.

(G. O. 683.)

By Assistant Alderman Beyea—

Resolved, That One Hundred and Nineteenth street, from Third to Fourth avenue, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, and that at the several intersecting streets and avenues crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 684.)

By the same—

Resolved, That the sidewalk on south side of One Hundred and Thirty-first street, from Fourth to Fifth avenue, be flagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 685.)

By the same—

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street lamps lighted in Madison avenue, from One Hundred and Twenty-fourth street to Harlem river, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was laid over.

#### REPORTS.

The Committee on Law Department, of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution, from the Board of Aldermen, granting permission to the Presbyterian Church, corner of Fifth avenue and Fifty-

fifth street, to erect a door-piece and buttresses, respectfully

#### REPORT:

That they have carefully examined the subject, and are in favor of granting permission for the same, to extend five feet only, instead of seven, five feet being less than the privilege allowed in similar cases. They, therefore, recommend the adoption of the accompanying resolution, with the above amendment.

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church, now in the course of erection, on the northwest corner of Fifth avenue and Fifty-fifth street, to construct and keep a door-piece and buttresses of tower on the Fifth avenue front of said church, as shown on the accompanying diagram, and not to project more than seven feet beyond the house-line on said avenue; also to place and keep the projections, also shown on said diagram, on the Fifty-fifth street front of said church, and not to extend more than four feet beyond the house-line of said street, the work to be done under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and the permission hereby given to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

C. M. CLANCY,

PATRICK KEENAN,

Committee on Law Department.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Assistant Aldermen Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, and Beyea—18.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Aldermen for concurrence.

#### MOTIONS RESUMED.

(G. O. 686.)

Assistant Alderman Wisser moved to discharge the Committee on Ordinances from further consideration of an ordinance relating to carts and cartmen.

The Committee on Ordinances of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, to whom were referred the annexed ordinance from the Board of Aldermen, to amend sections 2 and 3, of article 1, of chapter 37, of the Revised Ordinances of 1866: "Of carts and cartmen, dirt carts, public porters, and garbage carts, respectively"

#### REPORT:

That they have considered the amendments made by the Board of Aldermen, and they are of the opinion that the rates are entirely too high for a license for four-wheeled trucks, and have amended the said section 2 of the Revised Ordinances of 1866, so as to meet the approval of every cartman, who complain of the increased rates offered by the Board of Aldermen. Your Committee having held several meetings on the subject, it is their opinion that the section referred should be amended, and respectfully offer for adoption the following ordinance, in lieu of the one from the Board of Aldermen, and the ordinance when amended shall read as follows:

AN ORDINANCE to amend sections 2 and 3, of article 1, of chapter 37, of the Revised Ordinances of 1866, entitled "Of carts and cartmen, dirt carts, public porters and garbage carts." The Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, do ordain as follows:

§ 2. The Mayor shall, from time to time, license and appoint so many and such persons as he may think proper, to set up and keep public carts in said city. He shall also license so many and such persons as he may think proper to be public cartmen in said city; and he may revoke or suspend any or all of such licenses at his pleasure. All persons licensed as aforesaid to keep public carts shall be deemed to be public cartmen within the meaning of this chapter; but it shall not be lawful for any person to receive or to hold a license to keep public carts, or to be a public cartman, unless he be a citizen of the United States, and a resident within the State of New York, and is the actual owner of the cart or carts, with good horses therefor, so licensed to be kept as public carts; and the Mayor may examine under oath all persons applying for or holding any such license, or the renewal thereof, touching their qualifications as aforesaid; and all licenses other than to persons so qualified shall be void.

Sec. 2. Section 3, of article 1, of the said ordinance, is hereby amended and shall read as follows:

§ 3. The Mayor shall require and receive for the use of the city from every person to whom he may grant license to keep public carts as aforesaid, for every four-wheeled truck, to be drawn by two horses or other animals, five dollars; and for every four-wheeled truck, to be drawn by one horse or other animal, three dollars; and for every two-wheeled cart, to be drawn by one horse or other animal, two dollars; and half these sums respectively, for the license for each truck or cart renewed, as hereinafter provided. The Mayor shall also require and receive for the use of the city from every person licensed as aforesaid to be a public cartman, one dollar, and a like amount for every such license renewed.

Sec. 3. All ordinance or parts of ordinances inconsistent or conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

HENRY WISSER;  
ISAAC SOMMERS,  
JNO. J. KEHOE,  
Committee on Ordinances.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the ordinance was laid over.

(G. O. 687.)

Assistant Alderman Theiss moved that the Committee on Public Health be discharged from further consideration of the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE to prevent dust from flying during the removal or repair of buildings.

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

SECTION 1. Any person or persons engaged in the demolition or repair of any building or buildings in this city, shall be required to keep the refuse materials thoroughly wet, so as to prevent dust arising therefrom becoming an annoyance to owners of adjoining property, or to citizens passing through the streets, under a penalty of ten dollars for each and every day any violation of this ordinance shall continue, to be sued for and recovered in the manner now provided by law for the recovery of penalties for violation of the ordinances of this city, and the Commissioner of Public Works is hereby directed to enforce the provisions of this ordinance.

SEC. 2. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the ordinance was laid over.

(G. O. 688.)

Assistant Alderman Theiss moved that the Committee on Public Health be discharged from further consideration of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the vacant lots on the northeast corner of One Hundred and Twenty-first street and Second avenue, be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the paper was laid over.

#### REPORTS RESUMED.

The Committee on Salaries and Offices of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, to whom were referred the annexed resolution, from the Board of Aldermen, in favor of appointing Joshua W. Crosby and Louis Beckhardt Commissioners of Deeds, respectfully

#### REPORT:

That having carefully examined the application, they believe the persons to be proper persons. They are, therefore, in favor of concurring with the Board of Aldermen in adopting said resolution, and accordingly respectfully recommend that such action be had thereon by this Board.

Resolved, That Joshua W. Crosby and Louis Beckhardt be and they are hereby appointed as Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in the places, respectively, of Francis H. Taylor and John Woods, whose terms of office have expired.

EDWARD BRUCKS,  
JOHN J. KEHOE,  
HENRY WISSER,

Committee on Salaries and Offices.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Assistant Aldermen Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, and Beyea—18.

And the same was directed to be sent to his Honor the Mayor for approval.

The Committee on Salaries and Offices of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, to whom were referred the annexed resolution from the Board of Aldermen, in favor of appointing Henry M. Garvin a Commissioner of Deeds, in place of J. O. Sullivan, whose term has expired, respectfully

#### REPORT:

That, having carefully examined the application, they believe the person to be a proper person. They are, therefore, in favor of concurring with the Board of Aldermen in adopting said resolution, and accordingly respectfully recommend that such action be had thereon by this Board.

Resolved, That Henry M. Garvin be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds, in place of Jeremiah Oswald Sullivan, whose term has expired.

EDWARD BRUCKS,  
JOHN J. KEHOE,  
HENRY WISSER,

Committee on Salaries and Offices.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Assistant Aldermen Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, and Beyea—18.

And the same was directed to be sent to his Honor the Mayor for approval.

The Committee on Salaries and Offices of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, to whom were referred the annexed resolution from the Board of Aldermen, in favor of appointing Philip H. Moss a Commissioner of Deeds, respectfully

#### REPORT:

That, having carefully examined the application, they believe the person to be a proper person. They are, therefore, in favor of concurring with the Board of Aldermen in adopting said resolution, and accordingly respectfully recommend that such action be had thereon by this Board.

Resolved, That Philip H. Moss be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place

and stead of John J. Donovan, who failed to qualify.

EDWARD BRUCKS,  
JOHN J. KEHOE,  
HENRY WISSER,

Committee on Salaries and Offices.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Assistant Aldermen Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, and Beyea—18.

And the same was directed to be sent to his Honor the Mayor for approval.

(G. O. 685.)

The Committee on Street Pavements of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance from the Board of Aldermen, in favor of paving Eighty-first street, from Second to Third avenue, with Belgian pavement, respectfully

#### REPORT:

That, having carefully examined the subject, they believe the proposed improvement to be necessary and proper. They are, therefore, in favor of concurring with the Board of Aldermen in adopting said resolution and ordinance, and accordingly respectfully recommend that such action be had thereon by this Board.

Resolved, That Eighty-first street, from Second to Third avenue, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, and that at the several intersecting streets and avenues crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

THOMAS FOLEY,  
BENJAMIN BEYEA,

Committee on Street Pavements.

Which was laid over.

#### COMMUNICATIONS.

Communications from the Comptroller, as follows:

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE }  
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,  
July 11, 1874. }

To the Honorable the Board of Assistant Aldermen:

Weekly statement, showing the appropriations made under the authority contained in sec. 112, chap. 335, Laws of 1873, for carrying on the Common Council, from January 1 to December 31, 1874, both days inclusive, and of the payments made up to and including the date hereof, for and on account of each appropriation:

Title of Appropriations.	Amt. of Appropriations.	Payments.
City Contingencies.	\$7,000 00	\$1,952 28
Contingencies, Clerk of the Common Council.....	1,500 00	199 27
Salaries, Common Council.....	185,000 00	90,444 87
AND. H. GREEN, Comptroller.		

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE }  
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,  
July 18, 1874. }

To the Honorable the Board of Assistant Aldermen:

Weekly statement, showing the appropriations made under the authority contained in sec. 112, chap. 335, Laws of 1873, for carrying on the Common Council, from January 1 to December 31, 1874, both days inclusive, and of the payments made up to and including the date hereof for and on account of each appropriation:

Title of Appropriations.	Amount of Appropriations.	Payments.
City Contingencies.	\$7,000 00	\$2,172 28
Contingencies, Clerk of the Common Council.....	1,500 00	250 14
Salaries, Common Council.....	185,000 00	90,444 87
AND. H. GREEN, Comptroller.		

Which were ordered on file.

Communications from the Commissioner of Public Works, as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,  
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 19, CITY HALL,  
NEW YORK, July 23, 1874.

To the Honorable the Board of Assistant Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—I have made such inquiry as was within my power to comply with the request of your Honorable Board, "to ascertain and report the condition of the corner-stone of the Washington Monument, and the contents thereof, that was laid in Hamilton square, nearly thirty years ago, and what steps, if any, are necessary to preserve or protect the stone and its contents."

It appears that a number of prominent citizens, about the year 1843, constituted themselves into a society, and made application to the Legislature of the State, to be incorporated as the "Washington Monument Association of the City of New York," and an act to that effect was passed April 18, 1843. The parties thereto were: Morgan Lewis, Stephen Allen, Moses H. Grinnell, Robert H. Morris, W. W. Fox, Peter Cooper, J. W. Francis, Nicholas Dean, Don Alonzo Cushman, E. D. West, James Talmadge, Charles W. Sandford, H. T. Kierstedt, and their successors; the purpose being the erecting a monument to the memory of George Washington, and many powers and privi-



leges were granted; also, the right to procure from the city a suitable piece of ground for the purpose. Upon the collection of \$50,000 it was made competent for the Corporation to purchase ground, commence the monument, etc.

This latter requirement, however, was modified by an act of February 2, 1849.

Upon application of the Association, on May 8, 1847, the Mayor of the city approved of a resolution of the Common Council, that granted a space of ground, two hundred feet square, in the centre of Hamilton square, to the Washington Monument Association, as a site for the erection of a monument to Washington, to revert to the Corporation whenever it shall cease to be used for such purpose.

In June, 1848, permission was granted to the Association to drain the grounds, and in October, 1853, the Board of Aldermen initiated proceedings, which resulted in the final grading of Hamilton square, which was mainly done by Terrence Farley, and completed some years ago.

On the 11th October, 1847, an invitation, which was accepted, was sent to the Common Council, by E. G. Drake, Hamilton Fish, and others, to assist in laying the corner-stone on Tuesday, 19th October, 1847, the anniversary of the surrender of Lord Cornwallis, at Yorktown, in 1781. The occasion was made a general holiday, and one of great display.

It would seem questionable whether the Commissioner of Public Works could, under the circumstances, interfere to ascertain the condition and contents of the box within the stone, or otherwise trespass upon the premises, which were conditionally ceded to an incorporated association.

Active steps toward progressing with the monument seem to have entirely ceased, in fact never to have been taken, after the laying of the corner-stone. It would appear that a matter of inquiry might properly be made of the judicial adviser of the corporation as to the reversion of the two hundred feet square in the centre of Hamilton Square to the city, in consequence of the laches of the association, over twenty-seven years having passed since the grant to them.

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,  
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,  
Room 19, City Hall,  
NEW YORK, July 20, 1874.

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

GENTLEMEN—In response to your resolution of inquiry adopted on the 29th ult., relating to "the reasons why the resolutions for laying gas-mains, etc., in Forty-eighth and Forty-ninth streets, from Tenth to Eleventh avenue, also in Fifty-second street, from Sixth to Seventh avenue, have not been complied with by the gas companies, as the directions so to do were approved June 4, 1872," I would respectfully state that a resolution requiring mains and lamps in Fifty-second street, was approved December 28, 1870, and directions for the said work to be done were issued 24th June, 1871. No notice being taken of such directions, the company (Metropolitan) was ordered to comply with the resolution on 28th September, 1872, without result.

As to lighting Forty-eighth and Forty-ninth streets, the resolution was adopted 4th June, 1872, and on the 22d August the order was given to the Metropolitan Gas-light Company to cause Forty-ninth street, from Tenth to Eleventh avenue, to be lighted, but without effect; the order was repeated on the 12th, and again on the 16th November, 1872, without result.

On the 17th November, 1873, an order was given the same company to erect the lamps and light Forty-eighth street, from Tenth to Eleventh avenue, but the work has not yet been commenced.

Numerous instances of a similar nature have from time to time transpired. The contract awarded to this company has not as yet been executed by its officers, and consequently no power exists for enforcing orders issued.

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

Which were ordered on file.

Communication from his Honor the Mayor, as follows:

MAYOR'S OFFICE,  
NEW YORK, July 27, 1874.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—I herewith return, without my approval, the resolution of your Honorable Body, requesting the Commissioners appointed for the opening of Seventy-third street, east of the Third avenue, to proceed at once and complete their labors, that the street may be made available to the property-owners.

On examination I find that the Commissioners to whom your instructions are addressed are William Chalmers, Thomas Coman, and Cornelius J. Farley, appointed by Judge Cardozo on the 10th of August, 1869, nearly five years ago, who do not appear to have taken as yet any steps in the matter, and as these gentlemen belong to an era which has now happily past, I do not think it would be wise for us to invest them with any new vitality, and therefore recommend that if your Honorable Body shall be fully satisfied that the interests of the property-owners on the line, or the public interests require that this improvement shall be made, that you adopt a resolution requesting the Corporation Counsel to apply to the Court for an order removing the present Commissioners, and appointing others less open to objection in their place.

W. F. HAVEMEYER,  
Mayor.

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

#### PAPERS FROM THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That permission be and hereby is given to Mary A. Dubois, First Directress of the Nursery and Child's Hospital, to release that portion of land contained in a perpetual lease, made by the City of New York, to the said Nursery and Child's Hospital, described on a map or diagram accompanying a petition of the said Mary A. Dubois, being the northeast corner of Fifth street and Lexington avenue, twenty-three feet three inches on Fifth street, and thirty-four feet eleven inches on Lexington avenue. The said release shall not impair, alter or affect in any wise the lease now existing between the City of New York and the said Nursery and Child's Hospital.

Assistant Alderman Clancy moved that this Board concur in the action of the Board of Aldermen, and that the petition presented by him at this meeting be attached to the resolution.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the same was directed to be sent to his Honor the Mayor for approval.

An ordinance, as follows:

AN ORDINANCE to amend an ordinance, entitled "An ordinance to regulate permits for street-stands, sheds, cases, signs, stairways, hoistways, and deliveries," approved February 24, 1866.

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

SECTION 1. Section 5 of the above-entitled ordinance is hereby amended, and shall read as follows:

§ 5. Every grantee of a privilege under this ordinance for a show-case, signs, stairways, or hoistways, shall pay a sum of one dollar for each, and grantees of all other privileges the sum of one dollar, towards the expense of executing this ordinance, to be accounted for among other fees of the Mayor's office. It is hereby understood and expressed that for the receiving and delivering of goods no fee shall be charged. And the Corporation Attorney shall not hereafter institute suits for alleged obstructions occasioned by the receipt or delivery of merchandise in the ordinary course of business; \* \* \*

\* \* \* but no person shall deposit any article or articles upon any street or sidewalk in this city in such manner as to obstruct the free use thereof by the public. The aggregate sum for any one permit containing all or any portion of the privileges expressed in this section shall not exceed the sum of three dollars, and all may be granted for that fee; but in no case is permission to be given to use the street beyond the stoop line.

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

SEC. 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Assistant Alderman Healy moved to concur in the action of the Board of Aldermen, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (two-thirds of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Assistant Aldermen Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, and Simonson—17.

#### QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE.

Assistant Alderman Clancy asked unanimous consent to offer the following:

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Bureau of Permits be requested to furnish this Board with the names of persons and the amounts paid for permits since the 1st day of May, 1874.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree to grant the privilege.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Assistant Alderman Clancy moved the adoption of the resolution.

Assistant Alderman Thornell moved to amend by striking out Chief Clerk and insert his Honor the Mayor.

Which was accepted by Assistant Alderman Clancy.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the same was directed to be sent to his Honor the Mayor for reply.

#### PAPERS FROM THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN RESUMED.

Resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and is hereby respectfully requested to appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars for the purpose of paving with Belgian pavement the streets and roadways of West Washington Market; and, be it further

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed (should the Board of Estimate and Apportionment appropriate the money necessary, as above requested) to cause the streets and roadways of West Washington Market to be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, the work to be done and materials to be furnished by contract, as provided in chapter 335, Laws of 1873, with the lowest responsible bidder.

Which was referred to the Committee on Markets.

Resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That Richard Seybold be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place and stead of Charles Schneider, whose term has expired.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Assistant Aldermen Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, and Simonson—17.

And the same was directed to be sent to his Honor the Mayor for approval.

Resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That John Brooks Leavitt be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Assistant Aldermen Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, and Simonson—16.

And the same was directed to be sent to his Honor the Mayor for approval.

Resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That John W. Thorp be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Luther Wise, whose term of office has expired.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Assistant Aldermen Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, and Simonson—17.

And the same was directed to be sent to his Honor the Mayor for approval.

Resolution, as follows:

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

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Assistant Aldermen Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, and Simonson—17.

And the same was directed to be sent to his Honor the Mayor for approval.

Resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That Galen C. Thatcher and Charles L. Thatcher be and they are hereby appointed as Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in the places, respectively of John McDonough and Michael Meehan, whose terms of office have expired.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Assistant Aldermen Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, and Simonson—17.

And the same was directed to be sent to his Honor the Mayor for approval.

Resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Equitable Savings Institution to erect a portico and pillars in front of the banking-house No. 170 Sixth avenue, as shown on the annexed diagram, 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 referred to the Committee on Public Works.

Resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given Mrs. W. S. Merrill to erect a bay-window on the Twenty-first street side of the house No. 1 Gramercy Park, as shown on the accompanying diagram, provided the work be done at her own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the permission hereby given shall continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

Resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Louis Gerhken to place a watering-trough in front of his premises, situated on the northwest corner of Spring and Thompson streets, at his own expense and under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and such permission hereby given to remain only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Assistant Aldermen Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, and Simonson—17.

And the same was directed to be sent to his Honor the Mayor for approval.

Resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Messrs. Berch, Wambold & Backus to erect two ornamental lamps in front of their premises No. 1195 Broadway, the gas to be supplied by their own meter, and the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Assistant Aldermen Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, and Simonson—17.

And the same was directed to be sent to his Honor the Mayor for approval.

Resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to Robert G. Dunn to erect and keep a bay-window on the Thirty-ninth street front of the building on the corner of Madison avenue and Thirty-ninth street, as shown on the annexed petition and diagram, 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 referred to the Committee on Public Works.

(G. O. 690.)

Resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company to make the projections, shown on the accompanying diagram, to the fronts of their new building, on the corner of Church and Cortlandt streets, 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 laid over.

#### GENERAL ORDERS RESUMED.

Assistant Alderman Foley called up

G. O. 276,

being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That on both sides of Eighty-fourth street, from Eighth to Tenth avenue, curb and gutter-stones be set, and the sidewalks be flagged, and reflagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefore be adopted.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Assistant Aldermen Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, and Simonson—17.

And the same was directed to be sent to his Honor the Mayor for approval.

Assistant Alderman Keating called up

G. O. 632,

being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That One Hundred and Thirty-first street, from Tenth avenue to Boulevard, be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter stones set, and the sidewalks flagged, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefore be adopted.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Assistant Aldermen Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, and Simonson—17.

And the same was directed to be sent to his Honor the Mayor for approval.

Assistant Alderman Wisser called up

G. O. 658,

being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to John Harr to erect a pump to connect with the Croton-main on the northwest corner of Church and Thames streets at his own expense, and that the usual fee be charged therefor, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and such permission hereby given to remain only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Assistant Aldermen Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, and Simonson—16.

Negative—Assistant Alderman Murphy—1.

And the same was directed to be sent to his Honor the Mayor for approval.

Assistant Alderman Healy called up

G. O. 621,

being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to lease from John C. Bailey the second and third floors of the building on the northwest corner of Bond street and Bowery, for the use and occupation of the Department of Buildings, for a term of five years, from the day of , 1874, at the annual rent of \$3,500, to be paid quarterly by the Comptroller from the proper appropriation.

Assistant Alderman Healy moved that the General Order be placed on file.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

#### MOTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

Assistant Alderman Clancy moved that when this Board adjourns, it do so to meet on the first Monday in September (the 7th).

Assistant Alderman Thornell moved to amend by making it one week from to-day.



The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said amendment. Which was decided in the negative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Healy, Thornell, the President, Assistant Aldermen Kreps and Simonson—6.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Theiss, Codington, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, and Kelly—11.

The President then put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Assistant Aldermen Clancy.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Theiss, Kreps, Keenan, Kehoe, Brucks, and Kelly—10.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Healy, Thornell, Codington, the President, Assistant Aldermen Wade and Simonson—7.

Assistant Alderman Simonson moved that this Board do now adjourn.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, the President, Assistant Aldermen Keenan, Wade, Brucks, and Kelly—10.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Kreps, Kehoe, and Simonson—7.

And the President announced that the Board stood adjourned until the first Monday in September (7th) at 2 o'clock P. M.

WILLIAM H. MOLONEY,  
Clerk.

## BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT.

CITY OF NEW YORK—COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,  
NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE,  
Friday, July 24, 1874, 11 o'clock A. M.

The Board met pursuant to the following call:

OFFICE OF THE MAYORALTY,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
NEW YORK, July 22, 1874.

In pursuance of the authority contained in the 112th section of chapter 335, being an act entitled "An Act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed April 30, 1873; and section 1 of chapter 779, being an act entitled "An Act in relation to raising money by taxation, in the County of New York, for county purposes," passed June 14, 1873; and chapter 304, being an act entitled "An Act to consolidate the government of the City and County of New York, and further to regulate the same," passed April 30, 1874; and chapter 303, being an act entitled "An Act in relation to the Estimates and Apportionment for the support of the government of the City of New York," passed May 1, 1874—a meeting is hereby called of the Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, constituting a Board of Estimate and Apportionment, to be held at the office of the Comptroller, on Friday, July 24, 1874, at 11 o'clock A. M., for the purpose specified in the requisition of the Comptroller hereto annexed.

W. F. HAVEMEYER,  
Mayor.

CITY OF NEW YORK,  
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,  
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,  
July 21, 1874.

Hon. WILLIAM F. HAVEMEYER, Mayor.

SIR—Please call a meeting of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, to be held on Friday, July 24, 1874, at 11 o'clock A. M., or such other hour as may suit your convenience, for the purpose of authorizing the issue of fifty thousand dollars of "Assessment Bonds," as authorized by chapter 397, Laws of 1872, and chapter 580, Laws of 1873, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before said Board.

Very respectfully,  
ANDREW H. GREEN,  
Comptroller.

(INDORSED:)

Admission of a copy of the within, as served upon us this day, July 22, 1874.

W. F. HAVEMEYER,  
Mayor.

ANDREW H. GREEN,  
Comptroller.

SAMUEL B. H. VANCE,  
President of the Board of Aldermen.

JOHN WHEELER,  
President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments.

Present—All the members, viz.: William F. Havemeyer, the Mayor of the City of New York; Andrew H. Green, the Comptroller of the City of New York; Samuel B. H. Vance, the President of the Board of Aldermen; John Wheeler, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments.

The minutes of the meeting held July 16, 1874, were read.

The Comptroller moved that the minutes be laid over.

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

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor of the City of New

York (Chairman) and the Comptroller of the City of New York—2.

Negative—The President of the Board of Aldermen and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—2.

The President of the Board of Aldermen moved that the minutes be approved.

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

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President of the Board of Aldermen and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—2.

Negative—The Mayor of the City of New York (Chairman) and the Comptroller of the City of New York—2.

The Comptroller offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That in pursuance of the authority conferred upon the Board of Estimate and Apportionment by provisions of section 112 of chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized to issue from time to time, as may be required, and at such rates of interest as he may determine, not exceeding seven per cent. per annum, "Assessment Bonds of the City of New York," as authorized by chapter 397, Laws of 1872, and chapter 580, Laws of 1873, fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000).

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor of the City of New York (Chairman), the Comptroller of the City of New York, the President of the Board of Aldermen, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—4.

The Comptroller offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of \$438.28 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the head of "County Contingencies," the said amount to be transferred from the appropriation for "support of prisoners in the County Jail for 1872," to make provision for the claim of William A. Hammond, M.D., for professional services, allowed by the Board of Supervisors on December 12, 1873, and mandamus of the Supreme Court, April 6, 1874.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor of the City of New York (Chairman), the Comptroller of the City of New York, the President of the Board of Aldermen, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—4.

The Comptroller offered preamble and resolution in reference to the Department of Public Works, which was withdrawn.

The Chairman moved to proceed to the election of a Secretary to the Board, and that the Comptroller be elected Secretary.

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

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor of the City of New York (Chairman) and the Comptroller of the City of New York—2.

Negative—The President of the Board of Aldermen and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—2.

The Comptroller moved that the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments be continued as Secretary.

The President of the Board of Aldermen raised a point of order, that the motion was inadmissible, there being no vacancy.

The Chairman decided the point of order well taken.

The Chairman offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be requested to notify each of the Departments, and officers of the City and County, and the officers of all institutions, which may be entitled, by law, to allowances of money from the City of New York, as required by section 112 of chapter 335, of the Laws of 1873, on or before the first day of September next, "to send to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment an estimate in writing, herein called a departmental estimate, of the amount of expenditure, specifying, in detail, the objects thereof, required in their respective departments," for the year eighteen hundred and seventy-five, "including a statement of each of the salaries of their officers, clerks, employees, and subordinates. The same statement as to salaries and expenditure shall be made by all other officers, persons, and boards having power to fix or authorize them."

The President of the Board of Aldermen moved that the resolution lay over until the next meeting.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor of the City of New York (Chairman), the President of the Board of Aldermen, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—3.

Negative—The Comptroller of the City of New York—1.

The Comptroller called up resolution in relation to "The New York Bridge Company," laid over at meeting of July 13, 1874.

The Chairman moved to lay said resolution on the table, and insert it in the next call for a meeting of the Board.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor of the City of New York (Chairman), the President of the Board of Aldermen, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—3.

Negative—The Comptroller of the City of New York—1.

The President of the Board of Aldermen moved to reconsider the vote on motion just adopted.

The Chairman put the question on reconsideration.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor of the City of New York (Chairman), the Comptroller of the City of New York, the President of the Board of Aldermen, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—4.

The President of the Board of Aldermen moved to suspend the rule adopted by the Board at a meeting of June 23, 1874, relating to calls of meetings, in order to act upon the resolution called up by the Comptroller, for the issue of "New York Bridge Bonds."

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor of the City of New York (Chairman), the Comptroller of the City of New York, the President of the Board of Aldermen, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—4.

The Comptroller presented the following communication from the New York Bridge Co.

OFFICE OF THE  
NEW YORK BRIDGE COMPANY,  
No. 21 Water Street,  
BROOKLYN, June 12, 1874.

Hon. ANDREW H. GREEN.

DEAR SIR—At a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the New York Bridge Company, held on Wednesday, June 10, 1874, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That a call be made for the payment of the tenth installment on the capital stock of this company, payable on the 25th inst.

The amount due from the City of New York under the above resolution, will be one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000).

Respectfully yours, etc.,  
JOHN H. PRENTICE,

Treasurer.

Which was read.

The Comptroller offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That in pursuance of the authority conferred upon the Board of Estimate and Apportionment by provisions of section 112 of chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized to issue, from time to time, as may be required, and at such rates of interest as he may determine, not exceeding seven per cent. per annum, "New York Bridge Bonds," authorized by chapter 399, section 12, Laws of 1867 (amended by chapter 26, Laws of 1869), and Ordinance of the Common Council, adopted December 31, 1868, being the tenth instalment as per requisition of the New York Bridge Company, dated June 12, 1874, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000.00).

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor of the City of New York (Chairman), the Comptroller of the City of New York, the President of the Board of Aldermen, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—4.

The Chairman presented the following communication, with the opinion therein referred to in relation to the late action of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on the Department of Public Parks:

CITY OF NEW YORK,  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,  
36 UNION SQUARE, N. Y., Cor. Sixteenth st.,  
July 21, 1874.

To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—I respectfully submit herewith the opinion of the Counsel to the corporation in relation to the late action of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment upon matters of grave importance to this Department.

As it fully justifies the views expressed in my letters of June 30 and July 3, 1874, I now beg to express the hope that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment will take such action in conformity to the views of the Counsel to the Corporation as will relieve this Department from the necessity of appearing to act inconsistently with the arrangements which they have intended to establish.

Respectfully,

HENRY G. STEBBINS,  
President D. P. P.

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

Hon. HENRY G. STEBBINS,

President of the Department of Public Parks.

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

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

"The Department of Public Parks—

"Maintenance and government of parks and places, including the sum of \$30,000 for the keeping, preservation, and exhibition of the collections in the American Museum of Natural History and the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and including

the entire salaries of the President, clerks, officers, and employees, other than foremen of laborers.....\$450,000 00  
"Observatory, Museum, and Gallery of Art..... 15,000 00  
"Harlem river bridges—Maintenance of..... 15,000 00  
"Independence Day—Celebration of..... 10,000 00  
"Sea-wall, Battery—Repair of..... 7,500 00  
"Supplies of gas—Department of Public Parks, 1872 and 1873..... 58,000 00  
"Maintenance and government of public places, streets, roads, and avenues, etc., Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards..... 40,000 00  
\$595,000 00"

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

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

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

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

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

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

It will be seen, by an examination of the various statutes conferring powers and devolving duties upon the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, that in regard to a large portion of the amounts to be included in the estimate, the Board has no dis-



cretion, while in regard to the balance, its powers are almost unlimited.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

And the tenth section of this act is as follows:

"The Board of Estimate and Apportionment of the City of New York shall annually include in the estimate of the amounts necessary to pay the expenses of conducting the business of the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York, such sum or sums of money as shall, in the judgment and discretion of said board, be necessary to carry on the works authorized by this act."

These two sections being in the same statute, it

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

I am, sir,

Yours, very respectfully,

GEORGE P. ANDREWS,

Assistant Counsel to the Corporation.

Upon which no action was taken.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

JOHN WHEELER,

Secretary.

## DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

NEW YORK, July 27, 1874.

The following comprises the operations of the Department of Buildings for the week ending July 25, 1874.

W. W. ADAMS,  
Superintendent of Buildings.

### BUREAU OF INSPECTION OF BUILDINGS.

Plans, Specifications, and Special Applications filed, examined, and passed upon:

#### New Buildings.

No. of plans and specifications filed and examined.... 13  
No. of buildings embraced in same..... 29

#### Classified as follows:

First-class dwellings.....	3
French Flats.....	11
Tenements.....	6
First-class stores.....	1
Frame buildings (in Westchester District).....	8
Total.....	29

Plans approved, including those previously filed.....	13
Plans amended and approved.....	10
Plans disapproved.....	1
Plans pending.....	2
Total.....	26

#### Altered Buildings.

No. of plans and specifications filed and examined.....	27
No. of buildings embraced in same.....	29

#### Classified as follows:

First-class dwellings.....	3
Second-class dwellings.....	4
Tenements.....	5
Hotels and boarding-houses.....	1
First-class stores.....	1
Second-class stores.....	1
Third-class stores.....	2
School-houses.....	1
Public buildings.....	1
Stables.....	1
Frame buildings.....	9
Total.....	29

Buildings examined, and plans relating thereto, passed upon, including those previously filed.....	43
Approved.....	30
Amended and approved.....	1
Disapproved.....	2
Pending.....	10
Total.....	43

#### Special Applications.

No. filed, examined, and passed upon.....	22
Approved.....	11
Amended and approved.....	1
Disapproved.....	4
Pending.....	6
Total.....	22

ROBERT MCGINNIS,

Chief of Bureau.

### BUREAU OF VIOLATIONS AND APPLICATIONS.

Operations for the week ending July 25, 1874:

Complaints received from outside sources.....	23
Violations of the law reported.....	28
" removed.....	21
Unsafe buildings reported.....	28
" made safe.....	25
" taken down.....	2
Surveys held on unsafe buildings.....	2
Violation cases sent to the Attorney for prosecution.....	2
Unsafe building cases sent to the Attorney for prosecution.....	1
Violation notices served.....	30
Unsafe building notices served.....	65
Buildings surveyed as to general condition.....	397

The classification of the unsafe buildings reported is as follows:

Unsafe walls.....	16
" chimneys.....	8
" columns.....	1
" cornices.....	1
" fence.....	1
" generally.....	1
Total.....	28

ANDREW OWENS,

Chief of Bureau.

### BUREAU OF FIRE-ESCAPES AND IRON WORK.

Abstract of operations during the week ending July 25, 1874:

Buildings reported for fire-escapes.....	19
Fire-escapes provided.....	14
Arch girders tested (all approved).....	9
Iron beams " (approved, 19; not approved, 2).....	21
Iron lintels " (5; " 0).....	5
Notices for fire-escapes served.....	35
Cases sent to the Attorney for prosecution.....	84

CHAS. K. HYDE,

Chief of Bureau.

#### Appointments.

July 8—John Frame, Inspector.  
" 20—John H. Hyatt, "  
" 1—Terence Duffy, Messenger.  
" 8—Wm. Donnelly, "  
" 22—John Kennelly, "

#### Bills Incurred.

July—To Henry Dudley, Chairman Committee on Examination American Institute of Architects, for surveys on unsafe buildings.....	\$50 00
" To—Vandewater, for office furniture.....	60 40

## BOARD OF REVISION AND CORRECTION OF ASSESSMENTS.

A meeting of the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments was held at the Comptroller's Office, in the New Court-house, Tuesday, July 21, 1874, at 3:35 o'clock, P. M.

Present—Andrew H. Green, Comptroller; John K. Hackett, Recorder.

Absent—E. Delafield Smith, Counsel to the Corporation.

The minutes of July 10, 14, 15, and 17, were read and approved.

The Comptroller presented to the Board the following assessment lists received from the Board of Assessors, with communication of July 9, 1874:

Seventy-ninth street, regulating and grading, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.

Sixty-ninth street, paving, from Third to Fifth avenue.

Eighty-sixth street, paving, from Third to Fifth avenue.

Beekman and South streets, basin on northwest corner of.

Beekman and South streets, basin on southwest corner of.

Fifty-first street and Sixth avenue, basin on northwest corner of.

One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street and Third avenue, basin on northwest corner of.

Underground drains, between Sixty-sixth and Sixty-seventh streets, and between Fifth and Madison avenues.

Underground drains between Seventy-seventh and Eighty-eighth streets, and between Ninth avenue and Hudson river.

The foregoing assessment lists being in proper form, and no objections having been filed, on motion, the same were confirmed.

The assessment lists for paving with stone-blocks Seventy-fourth street, from Third to Fifth avenue, and Seventy-seventh street, from Third to Madison avenue, transmitted with communication of the Board of Assessors of July 9, 1874, were presented to the Board, and, on motion, the same were confirmed.

The assessment list for paving with stone-blocks Sixty-third street, from Second avenue to East river, having objections filed, and transmitted with communication of the Board of Assessors of July 17, 1874, was presented to the Board, and, on motion, was laid over.

A communication from Thomas E. Crimmins, contractor, relative to the construction by him of sewers in Sixth, Seventh, and St. Nicholas avenues, between One Hundred and Tenth and One Hundred and Sixteenth streets, was received, read, and ordered on file.

An order to show cause, and a temporary injunction, granted by Judge Larremore, in the suit of George Stewart against The Mayor, etc., The Board of Revision, etc., restraining the confirmation of assessment for regulating, grading, etc., Seventy-fifth street, between Fifth avenue and East river, was presented to the Board, and, on motion of the Recorder, ordered to be filed and noticed in minutes.

The assessment list for regulating, grading, etc., in One Hundred and Nineteenth street, from Fourth to Eighth avenue (except between Sixth and Seventh avenues), having objections filed against the same, was presented to the Board, and, on motion, laid over.

The assessment list for regulating, grading, etc., Lexington avenue, from Sixty-sixth to Ninety-sixth street, having objections filed against the same by Richard Theall and others, was received from the Board of Assessors. Mr. Andrews, attorney for Mr. Theall, appeared in this matter. On motion of the Recorder, the assessment list was ordered to be returned to the Board of Assessors for examination, and report to this Board in regard to the apportionment of the assessment objected to by Mr. Theall.

The assessment list for regulating, grading, etc., One Hundred and Twelfth street, from Second avenue to Harlem river, having objections filed against the same, was presented to the Board. Messrs. John Dwight & Co. were heard in opposition to the confirmation of said list. On motion of the Recorder, the objections were overruled and the assessment confirmed.

At 4:05 P. M., on motion, the Board adjourned.

RICHARD A. STORRS,  
Chief Clerk Board of Revision and  
Correction of Assessments.

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

NEW YORK, July 18, 1874.

In accordance with section 110, chapter 335 of the Laws of 1873, the Department of Public Works makes the following report of its transactions for the week ending this day:

### Public Moneys received and deposited with the City Chamberlain.

For Croton water rent.....	\$96,052 56
For penalties.....	67 65
For tapping Croton pipes.....	149 00
For vault permits.....	2,510 00
For sewer permits.....	679 00
For sewer pipe sold to contractors.....	275 50
Total.....	\$99,733 71

### Contracts entered into.

For furnishing and setting gates and frames for gate-houses at Ninety-third street and Ninth avenue, and at One Hundred and Thirteenth street and Tenth avenue. Contractors—The Atlantic Steam Engine Works of Brooklyn; sureties, Robert Robertson, of 254 W. Fifty-fourth street, and Seth Wilks, of 317 W. Thirty-second street.

Assignments transmitted to Finance Department.  
H. H. Brown to The National Shoe and Leather Bank—Moneys due and to grow due on contract for regulating, grading, etc., Eighth street, from Eighth avenue to the Riverside avenue.

### Certificates of Cost of Improvements transmitted to the Board of Assessors.

Regulating, grading, etc., Fifty-fifth street, from Eleventh avenue to North river.....	\$4,772 87
Regulating, grading, etc., One Hundred and Fifteenth street, from Seventh to Eighth avenue.....	32,289 14
Regulating, grading, etc., Eighty-fourth street, from Boulevard to Riverside ave.....	24,915 10
Regulating, grading, etc., Twenty-fourth street, from Eleventh avenue to North river.....	2,674 37
Flagging south side Forty-ninth street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues.....	1,304 94
Paving Sixty-fifth street, between Third and Fifth avenues.....	13,554 12
Sewer in One Hundred and Twenty-third street, between Sixth avenue and Mount Morris square.....	1,105 00
Sewer in Madison avenue and New avenue, between One Hundred and Twenty-first and One Hundred and Twenty-fifth streets.....	6,652 08
Sewer in Manhattan street, between Avenue St. Nicholas and Twelfth avenue.....	129,468 06
Fencing vacant lots on Boulevard, between Sixtieth and Sixty-first streets.....	234 53
Fencing vacant lots on Madison avenue, between Sixty-ninth and Seventieth streets.....	897 03
Total.....	\$217,867 24



**Street Lamps Temporarily Removed.**

On Boulevard, between One Hundred and Fortieth and One Hundred and Forty-first streets.

**Old Lamps Re-lighted.**

Eight lamps on One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, between Boulevard and Twelfth avenue.

One lamp on Fifth avenue, between One Hundred and Twenty-sixth and One Hundred and Twenty-seventh streets.

**Laying Croton Pipes.**

Laying 48-inch pipe on Broadway, between Fifty-sixth and Fifty-seventh streets.

Laying 48-inch pipe on Sixty-fourth street, between Eighth avenue and the Boulevard.

Laying 48-inch pipe on Seventieth street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues.

Laying 48-inch pipe on Tenth avenue, between Fifty-sixth and Fifty-seventh streets.

Laying 12-inch pipe on Boulevard, between Ninety-fourth and One Hundredth streets.

Connecting 20-inch, 12-inch, and 6-inch pipe at Thirty-eighth street and Tenth avenue.

Connecting 30-inch and 48-inch pipe at Seventy-ninth and Fifty-seventh streets and Eighth and Tenth avenues.

Setting fire-hydrants at Lisenard, Thomas, and Walker streets, west of Church street.

**Repairs to Stone Pavements in progress.**

On Fifth avenue, Thirty-sixth to Forty-third street.

On Forty-fourth street, Sixth to Eighth avenue.

On Greenwich street, Laight to Canal street.

On Twentieth street, Broadway to Fifth avenue.

On Sixty-first street, Lexington to Madison avenue.

On Wall street, Broadway to South street.

On Peck slip, Front to South street.

On Seventeenth street, Eighth to Tenth avenue.

On Twenty-first street, Ninth to Tenth avenue.

On Tompkins street, Grand to Stanton street.

On First avenue, Second to Fifth street.

**Repairing Street Crossings.**

On Broadway, Fourteenth to Seventeenth street.

On Fifth avenue, at Thirty-seventh and Thirty-eighth streets.

On Fourth avenue, at Twenty-eighth street.

**Repairs to Wooden pavements in progress.**

On Fourteenth street, Sixth to Ninth avenue.

On Twenty-fourth street, Sixth avenue to Broadway.

On Twenty-fourth street, Lexington to First avenue.

On Nineteenth street, Fifth to Sixth avenue.

On Thirty-ninth street, Broadway to Sixth avenue.

On Rector street, Broadway to West street.

**Sewer Cleaning.**

331 receiving-basins and 375 lineal feet of sewers have been cleaned.

**Permits Issued.**

29 permits to place building material on streets.

6 " to construct vaults under sidewalks.

2 " to lay gutter bridges.

34 " to make sewer connections.

10 " to repair sewer connections.

5 " to flag sidewalks and set curb and gutter.

**Work Completed.**

Regulating, grading, etc., Sixty-fourth street, from Ninth to Tenth avenue.

Curb, gutter, and flagging Madison avenue, between Sixty-third and Sixty-fourth streets.

**Appointments.**

Michael McGrath, Inspector of Regulating and Grading.

**Discharged on Completion of Work.**

Henry Utley and W. S. Williams, Jr., Inspectors of Regulating and Grading; and Daniel F. Farrell, Inspector on Sewer.

**Free Floating Baths.**

The following is the number of bathers at the two public baths during the week:

Bath foot of East 5th street.... Males. Females.

" West 11th " .... 25,650 6,363

Total..... 17,120 4,825

Total..... 42,770 11,188

**STATEMENT of Laboring Force employed in the Department of Public Works during the week ending July 18, 1874:**

NATURE OF WORK	Mechanics	Laborers	Teams	Carts
Alterations of Aqueduct on Tenth avenue.....	21	154	3	11
Maintenance of Aqueduct and Reservoirs.....	6	79	4	1
In Pipe-yard.....	2	23	4	1
On construction of Boulevards, roads and avenues.....	83	1,442	161	108
Laying Croton pipes.....	393	15		
Repairs of stone pavements.....	152	40		
" wooden pavements.....	36	15		
Maintenance and sprinkling roads and avenues.....	9	6	4	
Repairs of pipes and fire hydrants.....	47			
Total.....	112	2,335	180	196
Increase over previous week.....		26		5
Decrease from previous week.....	1			

The total amount of requisitions drawn by the Department of Finance during the week is \$188,828.05.

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

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.****DAILY MEETINGS JULY 13 TO 18, 1874.**

Present—Commissioners Laimbeer, Bowen, and Stern.

The following communications were received:

From Alms-house, Work-house, Charity, Small-pox, Fever, Bellevue, Reception, and Convalescent Hospitals, Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's and Ward's Islands, Inebriate Asylum, and Soldiers' Retreat.—Reporting daily census of these institutions. Ordered on file.

From Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's and Ward's Islands.—Transmitting history of patients admitted. Referred to Examining Clerk.

From Alms-house.—Amount of labor performed by mechanics (inmates) during week ending July 11, 1874. Ordered on file.

From Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's and Ward's Islands.—Daily report of inmates, and how employed during week ending July 11, 1874. Ordered on file.

From Penitentiary.—List of prisoners received during week ending July 11, 1874. Ordered on file.

From Penitentiary.—List of prisoners to be discharged from 12th to 18th July, 1874. Transmitted to Prison Association.

From Charity Hospital.—Death of Adam Grossman, an inmate. Published in CITY RECORD.

From Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's Island.—For leave of absence for Dr. Van Wyck, one week. Granted.

From City Prison.—Death of John Mullane, alias Muller. Published in CITY RECORD.

From Bellevue Hospital.—For leave of absence to Dr. Glass, three days. Granted.

From Bellevue Hospital.—Description of unknown boy from Pier 21, East river. Published in CITY RECORD.

From Reception Hospital, Park—Jas. P. Wright, M. D., for appointment as Apothecary.

From Hart's Island.—That only one Keeper be absent on Saturdays. So ordered.

From Free Labor Bureau.—Dismissing Female applicants and the cause.

From Penitentiary.—Certificates of Conduct of persons transmitted to the Governor.

From Bellevue Hospital.—Stock account of drugs and medicines, June 30. Referred to Medical Inspector.

From Nursery, Randall's Island.—Not receiving ice on Saturday for Sunday.

From Medical Inspector.—On the consumption of ice at Bellevue Hospital.

From Hart's Island.—Death of Annie Carter, committed July 8, 1874. Published in CITY RECORD.

From District Physicians—P. B. Wyckoff, M.D., and Henry Raphael, M. D., late District Physicians, giving their services free to the poor. Accepted, with thanks.

From Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's Island.—To reinstate Christina Crosby, as Nurse. So ordered.

From City Prison.—Death of William Ryan, prisoner. Body claimed by wife.

From Bellevue Hospital.—For leave of absence to Dr. Isham for three weeks. Granted.

From Bellevue Hospital.—Death of unknown man from Fulton Ferry slip. Published in CITY RECORD.

From Reception Hospital, Park—Resignation of E. C. Acker, Apothecary. Accepted.

From Lunatic Asylum, Ward's Island—Resignation of George Warren, Attendant. Accepted.

From Lunatic Asylum, Ward's Island.—Death of Isaac Cohen, patient. Coroner and friends notified.

From Lunatic Asylum, Ward's Island.—Absence of John Rodgers, Attendant. Discharged.

From District Physicians—J. C. Conover, M. D., and Wm. O'Donnell, M. D., late District Physicians, giving their services free to the poor. Accepted, with thanks.

From Prison Association—A. W. Sheldon, Agent, for a room with shelving, casing, etc., for book for prisoners at Penitentiary. Warden to select place, and have book-case made.

From Reception Hospitals, Park and Ninety-ninth street—James R. Wood, M. D., Surgeon-in-Chief, transmitting inventory of drugs, medicines, and surgical instruments. Referred to Medical Inspector.

Heating Apparatus.—To Supervising Engineer.

From Bellevue Hospital.—For leave of absence to Dr. Dennis, 3 weeks; to extend leave of absence to Dr. Chapin to August 5. Granted.

From Lunatic Asylum, Ward's Island—Resignation of William Miller, Attendant. Accepted.

From Hart's Island.—Interments in trench, Nos. 38 to 50, July 13; Nos. 51 to 62, July 15.

From Hart's Island.—Absence of Keeper Kelly on subpoena.

From School Ship Mercury.—For services of two Tailors and one Cook. Ordered from Work-house.

From Charity Hospital.—Rev. R. H. Bourne, for leave of absence. Granted.

From Bellevue Hospital.—For leave of absence to Dr. Winters, Junior Assistant. Granted.

From Bellevue Hospital.—Complaint against Theresa Williams, Nurse, and Charles Duffy, Orderly. Discharged.

From Lunatic Asylum, Ward's Island.—Death of Aaron Z. Wezonitz, inmate. Published in CITY RECORD.

From District Physician—Stephen Kelly, M. D., giving his services free to the poor. Accepted, with thanks.

From Bellevue Hospital.—Recommending James S. Williams as Orderly. Appointed.

From Bellevue Hospital.—On appointing Geo. H. Buckman Register Clerk. Appointed.

From Bellevue Hospital.—Leave of absence to A. N. White, Keeper dead-house, for ten days. Granted.

From Bellevue Hospital.—Body of unknown man from foot of West Fifteenth street. Published in CITY RECORD.

From Supervising Engineer—Men from Penitentiary and Work-house to be employed from 7 A.M. to 7 P.M. in discharging coal. So Ordered.

**CHARITY HOSPITAL, NEW YORK, July 9, 1874.**

Hon. WM. LAIMBEER:

SIR—I have the honor to transmit to you a communication received this morning, and regarding which I would respectfully request the instructions of your Board.

Very respectfully,

A. E. MACDONALD,  
Chief of Staff.

July 9th, 1874.

MY DEAR SIR—In a conversation with you at your last visit of inspection and examination I called your attention to my suffering from an attack of vertigo and nausea when I arose, and which entirely unfitted me for any exertion. Will you please give me a thorough examination, and such prescriptions and advice as will relieve me from the sufferings I now endure.

W. M. TWEED.

**CHARITY HOSPITAL, NEW YORK, July 12th, 1874.**

Hon. WM. LAIMBEER:

SIR—In accordance with the instructions of your Board, I have this day made a careful personal examination of Wm. M. Tweed. I find such a condition and such indications as lead me to anticipate an apoplectic seizure as a very possible occurrence. To a patient in private practice I should, under the circumstances, recommend, in addition to necessary medication, more of out-door exercise than Mr. Tweed now gets, and a change of sleeping quarters. How far these changes can be made in the present instance it is of course for your Board, not myself, to determine. If, however, the necessity of the case will permit of Mr. Tweed's assignment to some other duties than those now entailed upon him, and the removal of his bed to a better atmosphere than that of the hospital, it will, in my opinion, be a proper sanitary measure.

The enlargement of the orderlies' rooms would not, I think, accomplish any good purpose. Their having been placed in the hospital at all was an injustice to the patients, which their enlargement would only increase; and they secure for the orderlies occupying them concealment from sight, and since they are open at the top, no difference of atmosphere.

Very respectfully,

A. E. MACDONALD,  
Chief of Staff.

July 14, 1874. By the Board.

The Warden of Penitentiary to carry into effect such measures as may be recommended by Chief of Staff, so far as consistent, in the opinion of the Warden, with the safety of prisoner.

Ayes—Commissioners Bowen and Stern.

Nay—Commissioner Laimbeer.

By Commissioner Stern—

Resolved, That an examination be made in regard to the inmates of the Alms-house, as to the propriety and fitness of each of such inmates remaining in or being discharged from said Alms-house.

July 15, 1874. Referred to Commissioner Bowen.

WM. LAIMBEER,  
MYER STERN,  
JAMES BOWEN,  
Commissioners.

**ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS,**

&c., &c.,

PASSED BY BOTH BRANCHES OF THE

COMMON COUNCIL

AND

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR,

DURING THE WEEK ENDING JULY 25, 1874.

Resolved, That T. E. Leary be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of John O. Higgins, whose term has expired.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, July 13, 1874.  
Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 21, 1874.  
Approved by the Mayor, July 24, 1874.

Resolved, That William H. Drake be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, July 13, 1874.  
Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 21, 1874.  
Approved by the Mayor, July 24, 1874.

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby directed to permit Thomas W. Gager to use the public hydrants in Grand street, for the purpose of obtaining water to sprinkle the carriage-way of all that portion of Grand street east of the Bowery, upon payment of the usual fee, as provided by ordinance of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 10, 1874.  
Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, July 13, 1874.  
Approved by the Mayor, July 18, 1874.

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

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, July 13, 1874.  
Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 21, 1874.  
Approved by the Mayor, July 24, 1874.

Resolved, That Charles N. Morse be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, July 13, 1874.  
Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 21, 1874.  
Approved by the Mayor, July 24, 1874.

Resolved, That Francis Mangin be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, July 13, 1874.  
Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 21, 1874.  
Approved by the Mayor, July 24, 1874.

Resolved, That James H. Wessels be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Jeremiah F. Johnson, whose term of office has expired.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, July 13, 1874.  
Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 21, 1874.  
Approved by the Mayor, July 24, 1874.

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby respectfully requested to repair Roosevelt street, from Chambers to Front street, as the street, in its present condition, is almost impassible for vehicles, etc.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, July 13, 1874.  
Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 21, 1874.  
Approved by the Mayor, July 24, 1874.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to John Winters to place a lamp-post and lamp in front of his premises, No. 202 East Sixty-fifth street, the gas to be supplied from his own meter, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to remain only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, June 29, 1874.  
Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 21, 1874.  
Approved by the Mayor, July 24, 1874.

Resolved, That Fifth avenue, from Ninetieth street to One Hundred and Twentieth street, be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter stones set, and the sidewalks flagged, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, May 4, 1874.  
Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, June 20, 1874.  
Approved by the Mayor, July 25, 1874.

Resolved, That Joseph A. Reed be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in place of Charles L. Thatcher, who failed to qualify.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, July 13, 1874.  
Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 21, 1874.  
Approved by the Mayor, July 24, 1874.

Resolved, That Benjamin M. Cole be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in the place and stead of Galen C. Thatcher, whose term of office has expired.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, July 13, 1874.  
Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 21, 1874.  
Approved by the Mayor, July 24, 1874.

JOS. C. PINCKNEY,  
Clerk C. C.

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.**

Report for the week ending July 25, 1874:

Licenses granted and amounts received for licenses and fines by First Marshal:

Licenses granted..... 235

Amount received..... \$1,786 75

Permits issued for street stands, signs, show-cases, deliveries, etc., and amount received for same:

Permits issued..... 154

Amount received..... \$1,158 00

W. F. HAVEMEYER,  
Mayor.



## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT,  
CITY OF NEW YORK,  
Monday, July 27, 1874.

Meeting to receive proposals for furnishing two steam-boilers in pursuance of an advertisement in the CITY RECORD.

Present—President Joseph L. Perley in the chair, and Commissioner Cornelius Van Cott.

Adjourned to Friday, 31st instatn, at 10 o'clock A. M.

W. B. WHITE,  
Secretary.

## DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

F. A. Ricard, Clerk, granted leave of absence for three months from July 1, without pay.

July 15—  
C. H. Houghton appointed Clerk, in place of W. L. Horton, resigned.

July 20—  
Francis Lynch appointed Temporary Clerk.

CHARLES V. ADEE,  
Secretary pro tem.

## DIRECTOR

OF THE

## COMMON COUNCIL.

## BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

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

SAMUEL B. H. VANCE, President.

JOSEPH C. PINCKNEY, Clerk, 27 Stuyvesant street.

## STANDING COMMITTEES.

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

## BOARD ASSISTANT ALDERMEN.

- Thomas Foley, 18 West street.
- Jeremiah Murphy, 45 Cherry street.
- Charles M. Clancy, 167 Mott street.
- John C. Keating, 373 Cherry street.
- Henry C. Wisser, 151 Prince street.
- Michael Healy, 19 Ridge street.
- Thos. L. Thornell, 160 West 12th street.
- John Theiss, 223 Bowery.
- George F. Codrington, 62 Perry street.
- Joseph P. Strack, 179 Third street.
- William S. Kreps, 354 West 27th street.
- Patrick Keenan, 217 Lewis street.
- William Wade, 144 West 21st street.
- John J. Kehoe, 138 First avenue.
- Edward Brucks, 422 West 39th street.
- George Kelly, 318 West 20th street.
- Stephen N. Simonson, 305 West 48th street.
- Philip Cumisky, 552 First avenue.
- Henry A. Linden, 68th st., bet. 10th and 11th aves.
- Isaac Sommers, 165 East 62d street.
- Benjamin Beyea, 131st street near 4th avenue.

JOSEPH P. STRACK, President.

W. H. MOLONEY, Clerk.

## STANDING COMMITTEES.

ARTS AND SCIENCES.—Assistant Aldermen Cumisky, Murphy, and Codrington.  
DONATIONS.—Assistant Aldermen Sommers, Wisser, and Wade.  
FERRIES.—Assistant Aldermen Healy, Kehoe, and Theiss.  
FINANCE.—Assistant Aldermen Clancy, Sommers, and Wade.  
LAMPS AND GAS.—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Beyea, and Brucks.  
LAW DEPARTMENT.—Assistant Aldermen Clancy, Keenan, and Thornell.  
MARKETS.—Assistant Aldermen Kelly, Kehoe, Keating, oley, and Beyea.  
NATIONAL AFFAIRS.—Assistant Aldermen Theiss, Murphy, Cumisky, Simonson, and Codrington.  
ORDINANCES.—Assistant Aldermen Wisser, Kehoe, and Sommers.  
PRINTING AND ADVERTISING.—Assistant Aldermen Keating, Kreps, Beyea, Sommers, and Theiss.  
PUBLIC HEALTH.—Assistant Aldermen Theiss, Wisser, and Cumisky.  
PUBLIC BUILDINGS.—Assistant Aldermen Keenan, Murphy, and Wisser.  
PUBLIC WORKS.—Assistant Aldermen Sommers, Keating, and Kreps.

RAILROADS.—Assistant Aldermen Healy, Keenan, Linden, Cumisky, and Theiss.  
ROADS.—Assistant Aldermen Cumisky, Thornell, and Brucks.  
SALARIES AND OFFICES.—Assistant Aldermen Brucks, Kehoe, and Wisser.  
SEWERS.—Assistant Aldermen Kelly, Wade, and Wisser.  
STREETS.—Assistant Aldermen Brucks, Theiss, and Linden.  
STREET PAVEMENTS.—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Sommers, and Simonson.  
JOINT COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS.—Assistant Aldermen Sommers, Keenan, and Linden.

## OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

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

## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

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

## LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

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

## FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

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

## LAW DEPARTMENT.

Counsel to the Corporation, Staats Zeitung Building, 3d floor; 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.  
Public Administrator, 115 and 117 Nassau street, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
Corporation Attorney, 115 and 117 Nassau street, 8½ A. M. to 4½ P. M.  
Attorney for the Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes; Brown stone building, City Hall Park, 32 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
Attorney to the Department of Buildings, 20 Nassau street, room 52, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

## POLICE DEPARTMENT.

NO. 300 MULBERRY STREET, ALWAYS OPEN.  
Central Office.  
Commissioners' Office.  
Superintendent's Office.  
Inspectors' Office.  
Chief Clerk's Office, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.  
Property Clerk.  
Bureau of Street Cleaning, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.  
Bureau of Elections.

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

CITY HALL, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
Commissioners' Office, No. 19.  
Chief Clerk's Office, No. 20.  
Contract Clerk's Office, No. 21.  
Engineer in charge of Sewers, No. 21.  
Boulevards and Avenues, No. 18½.  
Bureau of Repairs and Supplies, No. 18.  
Lamps and Gas, No. 13.  
Incumbrances, No. 13.  
Street Improvements, No. 11.  
Chief Engineer Croton Aqueduct, No. 11½.  
Water Register, No. 10.  
Water Purveyor, No. 4.  
Streets and Roads, No. 13.

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

Central Office, No. 66 Third avenue, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.  
Out Door Poor Department, No. 66 Third avenue, always open; entrance on Eleventh street.  
Free Labor Bureau, Nos. 8 and 10 Clinton place, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.  
Reception Hospital, City Hall Park, northeast corner, always open.  
Reception Hospital, Ninety-ninth street and Tenth avenue, always open.  
Bellevue Hospital, foot of Twenty-sixth street, East river, always open.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

NOS. 127 AND 129 MERCER ST., 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
Commissioners' Office. Chief of Department.  
Inspectors of Combustibles. Fire Marshal.

## HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

NO. 301 MOTT STREET.  
Commissioners' Office, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
Sanitary Superintendent, always open.  
Register of Records, for granting burial permits, on all days of the week, except Sunday, from 7 A. M. to 6 P. M. and on Sundays from 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

Commissioner's Office, 36 Union Sq., 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.  
Leonard street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

## DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

Commissioners' Office, brown stone building, City Hall Park, 32 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; on Saturday, 9 A. M. to 3 P. M.  
Surveyor's Bureau, 19 Chatham street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Board of Assessors.

## DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

Superintendent's Office, 2 Fourth avenue, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

## BOARD OF EXCISE.

Commissioners' Office, 299 Mulberry st., 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

## BOARD OF EDUCATION.

CORNER GRAND AND ELM STREETS.  
Office of the Board, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
Superintendent of Schools, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

## COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS.

Office, No. 32 Chambers street (basement).

## COMMISSIONERS OF EMIGRATION.

CASTLE GARDEN.  
Commissioners' Office, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.  
Superintendent's Office, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

## THE CITY RECORD.

Office, No. 2, City Hall, northwest corner, basement, 8 A. M. to 6 P. M.

## MISCELLANEOUS OFFICES.

HOURS 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
Coroners' Office, 40 East Houston street.  
Sheriff's Office, first floor, northeast corner of New Court-house.  
County Clerk's Office, first floor, southwest corner of New Court-house.  
Surrogate's Office, first floor southeast corner of New Court-house.  
Register's Office, Hall of Records, City Hall Park.  
District Attorney's Office, second floor, Old Court-house, 32 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

## COMMISSIONER OF JURORS.

Commissioner's Office, New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

## COURTS

## SUPREME COURT.

General Term, Special Term, Chambers, Circuit Part I, Circuit Part II, second floor, New Court-house, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.

## SUPERIOR COURT.

Part I, Part II, Third floor, New Court-house, 11 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
Clerks' Office, Third floor, New Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

## COMMON PLEAS.

Third floor, New Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

## GENERAL SESSIONS.

No. 32 Chambers street, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

## OVER AND TERMINER.

General Term, Special Term, No. 32 Chambers street, room 11, 10 A. M.

## MARINE COURT.

General Term, room 17; Special Term, room 15; Chambers, room 18; 10 A. M. to 3 P. M. Clerk's Office, room 19, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. No. 32 Chambers street.

## SPECIAL SESSIONS.

At Tombs, corner Franklin and Centre streets, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, 10 A. M.

## JUSTICES' (OR DISTRICT) COURTS.

First District—First, Second, Third, and Fifth Wards, southwest corner of Centre and Chambers streets, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Second District—Fourth, Sixth and Fourteenth Wards, No. 514 Pearl street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Third District—Eighth, Ninth and Fifteenth Wards, No. 12 Greenwich avenue, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Fourth District—Tenth and Seventeenth Wards, No. 163 East Houston street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Fifth District—Seventh, Eleventh and Thirteenth Wards, No. 154 Clinton street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Sixth District—

Seventh District—Nineteenth and Twenty-second Wards, Fifty-seventh street, between Third and Lexington avenues, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Eighth District—Sixteenth and Twentieth Wards, southwest corner Twenty-second street and Seventh avenue, 930: A. M. to 4 P. M.

Ninth District—Twelfth Ward, No. 2374 Fourth avenue, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Tenth District—Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, northeast corner of Third avenue and Southern Boulevard, Harlem Bridge, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

## POLICE COURTS.

First District—Fourteenth, Twenty-fourth, Twenty-fifth, Twenty-sixth, Twenty-seventh, and portion of Sanitary Precinct, Tombs, corner Franklin and Centre streets, 7 A. M. to 3 P. M.

Second District—Eighth, Ninth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-fifth, Thirty-third, Twenty-eighth, and Twenty-ninth Precincts, Greenwich avenue, corner of Tenth street, 9 A. M. to 6 P. M.

Third District—Seventh, Tenth, Eleventh, Thirteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth, and portion of Sanitary Precinct, No. 69 Essex street, 8 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Fourth District—Nineteenth, Twenty-first, Twenty-second, Twenty-third and Nineteenth Sub-station, Fifty-seventh street, between Third and Lexington avenues, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.

Fifth District—Twelfth Ward, No. 2374 Fourth avenue (Harlem), 8 A. M. to 4 P. M.

## CORPORATION NOTICES.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO the owner or owners, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots, improved or unimproved lands affected thereby, that the following assessments have been completed, and are lodged in the office of the Board of Assessors for examination by all persons interested, viz.:

No. 1. For laying Belgian pavement in One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, from Harlem river to Manhattan street, and Manhattan street, from One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street to North river.

No. 2. For building sewer in Sixty-seventh street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.

No. 3. For building underground drains in Sixty-second and Sixty-eighth streets, and between Eighth and Ninth avenues.

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

No. 1. Both sides of One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, from Harlem river to Manhattan street, and both sides of Manhattan street, from One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street to Hudson river, to the extent of one-half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 2. Both sides of Sixty-seventh street, between Eighth and Tenth avenues, both sides of Sixty-eighth street, between Eighth and Tenth avenues, both sides of Sixty-ninth street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues, both sides of Ninth avenue, between Sixty-sixth and Seventy-seventh streets, and both sides of Public Drive, between Sixty-seventh and Sixty-ninth streets.

No. 3. The property bounded by Sixty-second and Sixty-eighth streets, and between Eighth avenue and Boulevard.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same or either of them, are requested to present their objections in writing, to Thomas B. Asten, Chairman of the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 19 Chatham street, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

THOMAS B. ASTEN,

JOHN McHARG,

MUNSON H. TREADWELL,

VALENTINE S. WOODRUFF,

Board of Assessors.

OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS,  
No. 19 CHATHAM STREET,  
NEW YORK, July 17, 1874.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE following Assessment Lists have been received by the Board of Assessors from the Commissioner of Public Works: Persons interested are requested to call and examine the same.

No. 1. For sewer in Manhattan street, between Twelfth and St. Nicholas avenues.

No. 2. For regulating and grading, curb and gutter, and flagging Eighty-fourth street, from Boulevard to River Drive.

No. 3. For regulating and grading, curb and gutter, and flagging Twenty-fourth street, from Eleventh avenue to Hudson river.

The limits to be assessed are embraced as follows, viz.:

No. 1. The property bounded by One Hundred and Fifth street, and One Hundred and Thirty-seventh and Manhattan streets, between Seventh and Claremont avenues.

No. 2. Both sides of Eighty-fourth street, between Boulevard and River Drive, to the extent of one-half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 3. Both sides of Twenty-fourth street, between Eleventh and Thirteenth avenues, to the extent of one-half the block at the intersecting streets.

THOMAS B. ASTEN,  
Chairman.

OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS,  
No. 19 CHATHAM STREET,  
JULY 21, 1874.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE following Assessment Lists have been received by the Board of Assessors from the Commissioner of Public Works:

No. 1. For regulating and grading, setting curb and gutter, and flagging Fifty-fifth street, from Eleventh avenue to the Hudson river.

No. 2. For regulating and grading One Hundred and Fifteenth street, from Seventh to Eighth avenue.

No. 3. For flagging Forty-ninth street (south side), between Eighth and Ninth avenues.

No. 4. For paving with Belgian or trap-block pavement in Sixty-fifth street, from Third to Fifth avenue.

No. 5. Sewer in One Hundred and Twenty-third street, between Sixth avenue and Mount Morris Square.

No. 6. Sewer in Madison avenue and New avenue, east, between One Hundred and Twenty-first and One Hundred and Twenty-fifth streets, with branches.

No. 7. For fencing vacant lots on Madison avenue, from Sixty-ninth to Seventieth street, and on Sixty-ninth and Seventieth streets, from Fourth to Fifth avenue.

No. 8. For fencing vacant lots on west side of Boulevard, between Sixtieth and Sixty-first streets, and on north side of Sixtieth street, one hundred and twenty-five feet west of the Boulevard, and on south side of Sixty-first street, one hundred feet west of the Boulevard.

The limits to be assessed are embraced as follows, viz.:

No. 1. Both sides of Fifty-fifth street, from Eleventh to Twelfth avenue.

No. 2. Both sides of One Hundred and Fifteenth street, from Seventh to Eighth avenue.

No. 3. South side of Forty-ninth street, from Eighth to Ninth avenue.

No. 4. Both sides of Sixty-fifth street, from Third to Fifth avenue, to the extent of half the block, at the intersections of Lexington, Fourth and Madison avenues.

No. 5. Both sides of One Hundred and Twenty-third street, from New avenue, west, to Sixth avenue.

No. 6. Both sides of Madison avenue, between One Hundred and Twenty-fourth and One Hundred and Twenty-fifth streets, and north side of One Hundred and Twenty-fourth street, between Fourth and Madison avenues, and the block bounded by New avenue, east, One Hundred and Twenty-third and One Hundred and Twenty-fourth streets, and east side of New avenue, east, between One Hundred and Twenty-first and One Hundred and Twenty-third streets, and south side of One Hundred and Twenty-third street, between Fourth and Madison avenues.

No. 7. The block bounded by Fourth avenue and Madison avenue and Sixty-ninth and Seventieth streets, and the north side of Sixty-ninth street, one hundred and forty-five feet west of Madison avenue, and the south side of Seventieth street, one hundred and forty-five feet west of Madison avenue.

No. 8. The property, known as Ward Nos. 18 to 21, and 46 to 49, inclusive, and Ward No. 51.

THOMAS B. ASTEN,  
Chairman.

OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS,  
19 CHATHAM STREET,  
NEW YORK, July 15, 1874.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE following Assessment List has been received by the Board of Assessors from the Commissioner of Public Works: Persons interested are requested to call and examine the same.

No. 1.—Assessment for the regulating, grading, and superstructure of the Boulevard (Road or Public Drive) from the northerly side of the circle at the intersection of Broadway, Eighth avenue, and Fifty-ninth street, to the southerly side of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street.

No. 2.—For flagging Fifty-fifth street, south side, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.

No. 3.—For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter, and flagging Seventy-fifth street, between Eighth and Tenth avenues.

No. 4.—For paving Second avenue, from Sixty-third to Sixty-sixth street.

The limits to be assessed are embraced as follows:

No. 1.—Both sides of Boulevard, from Fifty-ninth street to One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 2.—The property known as Ward Nos. 36, 41 to 43, and 49 to 59, inclusive.

No. 3.—Both sides of Seventy-fifth street, between Eighth and Tenth avenues, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 4.—Both sides of Second avenue, between Sixty-third and Sixty-sixth streets, to the extent of half the block at the intersection of Sixty-fourth and Sixty-fifth streets.

THOMAS B. ASTEN,  
Chairman.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS,  
No. 19 CHATHAM STREET,  
NEW YORK, July 10, 1874.

## POLICE DEPARTMENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK,  
No. 300 Mulberry Street,  
NEW YORK, July 16, 1874.

## PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING—

5,000 Registry Books.  
5,000 copies Election Law Pamphlets.  
1,000 copies Election District Boundaries Pamphlets.  
Sealed proposals for this work will be received at the Bureau of Elections, until 10 o'clock A. M., on the 30th day of July, 1874, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read. Samples of the proposed work may be seen, and specifications and blank form of proposals may be obtained on application to the undersigned.

By order of the Board of Police,  
D. B. HASEROUCK,  
Chief of the Bureau of Elections

CENTRAL DEPARTMENT OF THE MUNICIPAL POLICE,  
300 MULBERRY STREET,  
PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE, ROOM 39,  
NEW YORK, July 14, 1874.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY Clerk, 300 Mulberry street, room 39, for the following property now in his custody without claimants:—4 gross harness rings, seven revolvers, three silver watches, four coats, three pairs pants, lot furniture, opera glass, small boiler and pipe, money found in street.

C. A. ST. JOHN,  
Property Clerk.

CENTRAL DEPARTMENT OF THE MUNICIPAL POLICE,  
No. 300 MULBERRY STREET,  
PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE, ROOM 39,  
NEW YORK, June



## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS,  
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,  
127 AND 129 MERCER STREET,  
NEW YORK, July 20, 1874.

**PROPOSALS FOR ALTERING THE BUILDING**  
No. 125 Mercer street, according to plans and specifications on file in this office, will be received at these headquarters until 10 A. M., Friday, July 31st, 1874, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read.

Two responsible sureties, residents of this city, will be required with each proposal, who must justify in double the amount of the bid. Proposals will not be considered unless sureties are named.

Proposals must be indorsed, "Proposals for altering building No. 125 Mercer street."

Plans and specifications can be seen and blank proposals furnished upon application at these headquarters.

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

JOSEPH L. PERLEY,  
ROSWELL D. HATCH,  
CORNELIUS VAN COTT,  
Commissioners.

FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,  
127 AND 129 MERCER STREET,  
NEW YORK, July 18, 1874.

**PROPOSALS FOR THE ERECTION OF A**  
building for this Department, on the lots Nos. 130 and 132 Amity street, will be received at these headquarters until 10 o'clock A. M., July 31, 1874, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read.

Two responsible sureties, residents of this city, will be required with each proposal, who must justify in double the amount of the bid. Proposals will not be considered unless sureties are named.

Proposals must be indorsed, "Proposals for the erection of a building on lots Nos. 130 and 132 Amity street."

Plans and specifications can be seen and blank proposals furnished upon application at these headquarters.

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

JOSEPH L. PERLEY,  
ROSWELL D. HATCH,  
CORNELIUS VAN COTT,  
Commissioners.

FIRE DEPARTMENT,  
Nos. 125 and 129 Mercer Street,  
NEW YORK, July 18, 1874.

## TO CONTRACTORS.

## PROPOSALS FOR BUILDING A STEAM FIRE PROPELLOR.

**SEALED PROPOSALS FOR BUILDING A STEAM**  
Fire Propellor, endorsed as above, will be received at the office of the Fire Department, until 10 o'clock A. M., of July 31, 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 the opening of the bids.

The time allowed for doing the work is ninety (90) days from the date of signing the contract.

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect, and also shall give security for the faithful performance of his contract, in the manner prescribed and required by ordinance.

Bidders are required to state in their proposals their names and places of residence; also that the bid is made without any connection with any other person making any estimate for the same work; and that it is in all respects fair, and without collusion or fraud; and also that no member of the Common Council, Head of a Department, Chief of a Bureau, Deputy thereof, or Clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof; which proposals must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each proposal shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders of the City of New York, who must justify in double the amount of the bid, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the bid, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance; and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion, and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to any higher bidder to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting; the consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, taken before a Judge of any Court of Record in this county, that each is a householder, or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the above work, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise; and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith. The adequacy and sufficiency of the sureties offered to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.

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

The bid will be understood to cover all expenses necessary for the complete fulfillment of the contract.

Should the lowest bidder or bidders neglect or refuse to accept this contract within forty-eight (48) hours after written notice that the same has been awarded to his or their bid, he or they shall be considered as having abandoned it, and as in default of the Corporation; and this contract will be re-advertised and re-let, and so on until it be accepted and executed.

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the specifications will be allowed, unless under the written instructions of the Commissioners of the Fire Department.

The Commissioners of the Fire Department reserve 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.

Plans and specifications may be seen, and blank proposals furnished, upon application at the Headquarters of the Fire Department.

JOSEPH L. PERLEY,  
ROSWELL D. HATCH,  
CORNELIUS VAN COTT,  
Commissioners of the Fire Department.

FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,  
127 AND 129 MERCER STREET,  
NEW YORK, July 18, 1874.

**PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING THIS DEPARTMENT**  
with 15,000 feet of Rubber Hose, with Allen's Patent Couplings attached, will be received at these headquarters until 10 o'clock A. M., July 31, 1874, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read.

The hose will be required to stand a test of four hundred pounds pressure to the square inch, without contracting under that pressure more than twelve inches to the fifty feet, nor to expand more than a quarter of an inch in diameter.

Two responsible sureties, residents of this city, will be required with each proposal, who must justify in double the amount of the bid. Proposals will not be considered unless sureties are named.

Proposals must be indorsed "Proposals for furnishing Rubber Hose."

Blank proposals and information will be furnished upon application to these headquarters.

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

JOSEPH L. PERLEY,  
ROSWELL D. HATCH,  
CORNELIUS VAN COTT,  
Commissioners.

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

DEPARTMENT OF  
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,  
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,  
NEW YORK, July 22, 1874.

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

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

By order,  
JOSHUA PHILLIPS,  
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF  
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,  
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,  
NEW YORK, July 21, 1874.

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

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

By Order,  
JOSHUA PHILLIPS,  
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF  
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,  
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,  
NEW YORK, July 20, 1874.

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

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

By order,  
JOSHUA PHILLIPS,  
Secretary.

MORQUE—BELLEVUE HOSPITAL,  
July 18, 1874.

**UNKNOWN MAN FROM PIER 18, NORTH**  
river.—Age, about forty-five years; five feet seven inches high, light brown hair.

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

By order of the Board,  
THOMAS S. BRENNAN,  
Warden.

DEPARTMENT OF  
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,  
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,  
NEW YORK, July 18, 1874.

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

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

By order,  
JOSHUA PHILLIPS,  
Secretary.

## FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

**INTEREST ON CITY STOCKS—THE INTEREST**  
on the Bonds and Stocks of the City of New York, due August 1, 1874, will be paid on that day, by the Chamberlain of the City, at his office, in the New Court-house. The transfer books will be closed from July 10 to August 1, 1874.

ANDREW H. GREEN,  
Comptroller.

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

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

## NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED JUNE 18, 1874.  
Opening Ninety-seventh and Ninety-eighth streets, from Eighth avenue to the Boulevard.

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

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

SPENCER KIRBY,  
Collector of Assessments.

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

## NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED APRIL 29, 1874.  
Opening Eleventh avenue, from Fifty-ninth street to the Boulevard.

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

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

SPENCER KIRBY,  
Collector of Assessments.

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

## NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS

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

CONFIRMED JUNE 16, 1874.  
Outlet Sewer in Eightieth street, from Hudson river to Road, to Eighty-first street, to Tenth avenue, to Eighty-third street, to Ninth avenue, to Eighty-eighth street, to Eighth avenue.

WITH BRANCHES IN NINTH AVENUE TO NINETY-SECOND STREET.

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

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

SPENCER KIRBY,  
Collector of Assessments.

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

## NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS

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

CONFIRMED APRIL 22, 1874.  
Opening of Seventieth street, from Fifth avenue to Fourth avenue, and from Third avenue to the East river.

CONFIRMED APRIL 28, 1874.  
Opening Ninety-third street, from Eighth avenue to New Road, and from Twelfth avenue to the Hudson river.

CONFIRMED MAY 4, 1874.  
Opening Ninety-second street, from Eighth avenue to New Road, and from Twelfth avenue to the Hudson river.

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

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

SPENCER KIRBY,  
Collector of Assessments.

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

## NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED JUNE 16, 1874.  
Sewers in First avenue, between Third and Sixth streets, and between Ninth and Tenth streets.

Sewer in Cannon street, between Grand and Broome streets.

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

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

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

All payments made on or before August 27, 1874, on the above assessments, will be exempt (according to law) from interest. After that date interest will be charged at the rate of seven per cent. from the date of confirmation.

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

SPENCER KIRBY,  
Collector of Assessments.

BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,  
ROTUNDA, COURT-HOUSE,  
NEW YORK, June 23, 1874.

## NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED MAY 28, 1874.  
Opening Ninety-fourth street, from Eighth avenue to New Road, and from Twelfth avenue to the Hudson River.

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

All payments made on the above assessments on or before August 22, 1874, will be exempt (according to law) from interest. After that date interest will be charged at the rate of 7 per cent. from the date of confirmation.

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

SPENCER KIRBY,  
Collector of Assessments.

## THE CITY RECORD.

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

## DEPARTMENT PUBLIC WORKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,  
Commissioner's Office, Room 19, City Hall,  
NEW YORK, July 25, 1874.

## TO CONTRACTORS.

**PROPOSALS INCLOSED IN A SEALED ENVELOPE**, with the title of the work indorsed thereon, will be received at this office until the sixth day of August, 1874, at 12 o'clock M., for Regulating, Grading, Paving with Granite-blocks, Laying Crosswalks, setting Curb and Gutter Stones, and Flagging, and Repaving, Relaying Crosswalks, Resetting Curb and Gutter Stones, and Reflagging Worth street, from Broadway to Chatham street, and the streets intersecting Worth street, between Centre street and Chatham street, at and near the places where they intersect it, not to exceed one block on either side of Worth street.

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

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

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

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

## TO CONTRACTORS.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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