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BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.

The Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York met at the office of the Board, No. 21 Park row, on Wednesday, November 8, 1899, at 2 o'clock P. M., pursuant to notice.

The roll was called and the following members were present and answered to their names:

The Comptroller (Deputy Comptroller Levey), the Commissioner of Water Supply, the Commissioner of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, the Commissioner of Bridges (Deputy Commissioner York), the President of the Borough of The Bronx, the President of the Borough of Richmond and the President of the Board.

The following report from the Chief Topographical Engineer was read:

CITY OF NEW YORK,
PRESIDENT OF BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS,
TOPOGRAPHICAL BUREAU,
ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SEVENTH STREET AND THIRD AVENUE,
October 25, 1899.

Mr. JOHN H. MOONEY, Secretary, Board of Public Improvements:

SIR—I have the honor to respectfully submit for the consideration of the Board of Public Improvements, and for the purpose of giving a public hearing, a map or plan entitled—"Map or Plan, showing the street system in the First Ward of the Borough of Queens, formerly Long Island City, as modified and proposed by the Board of Public Improvements, under authority of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897."

This plan does not give dimensions and bearings of streets, but gives the width of the same, shows whether a street is to be widened or reduced in width, also where new streets, parks and public places are to be laid out. This plan is to be supplemented later on, after the approval by the Board of Public Improvements, by a second plan, which will render more definite and certain the present one.

The power to prepare and adopt such plan is vested in the Board of Public Improvements, under chapter 310, title 2, section 437 of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897; the plan is a modification or alteration, which was made under legislative authority, and must, therefore, be submitted to the Municipal Assembly.

This method of procedure is prescribed by the Legislature, probably for the reason to give greater publicity to projected alterations of legally recognized conditions; but does, as experience has shown, delay the final settlement of the street plan, and I recommend, therefore, that a date for a public hearing, by the Board of Public Improvements, be fixed immediately, and that, after this Board has approved the plan, the matter be brought at once before the Municipal Assembly with the necessary form of ordinance.

Long Island City, now the First Ward of the Borough of Queens, was incorporated as a city under chapter 719, Laws of 1870, and under authority of chapter 765 of the Laws of 1871, and amendatory acts, the authority was given to make a topographical survey and to lay out a plan for a system of streets and sewers.

Such plan was perfected under the Commissioners, T. G. Van Alst, R. M. C. Graham, and A. R. Anable, and filed in the City Clerk's office in Long Island City, April 25, 1873.

This plan considered only the requirements of developing the old settlement without apprehending that at some future time it would form part of The City of New York, and would need a more comprehensive plan. Such is the fact now, after twenty-five years, and Long Island City, which is separated by the East river from Manhattan Borough, and by the Newtown creek from the Borough of Brooklyn, has as bright a future before it as the neighboring boroughs.

Comparatively little work was done during the last twenty-five years to carry out the plans of the Commissioners of 1873, and a special Commission, viz.: the Long Island City General Improvement Commission, created under authority of chapter 326 of the Laws of 1874, did not accomplish much either. The people in the First Ward of the Borough of Queens are very anxious now that adequate reforms be made by the authorities of The City of New York in the plans of streets and sewers.

Long Island City being the gateway through which everybody must go in order to reach the interior of Long Island, special attention was given to the laying out of main arteries in straight or diagonal lines, connecting the ferries and the two proposed bridges over the East river with the main points of interest in Long Island City and the farther inland lying districts.

Two bridges are to be built to connect Long Island City with the Borough of Manhattan; one from a point near Sixtieth street, Manhattan, running over Blackwell's Island, through Ravenswood Park, landing at Jackson avenue near Henry street; the second bridge connects East One Hundred and Sixteenth street, Borough of Manhattan, and Cypress avenue, Borough of The Bronx, by way of Randall's Island and the Sunken Meadows with Riker avenue, and continuing in a diagonal line to the intersection of Debevoise avenue and Wolcott avenue.

Two bridges are to be constructed over the Newtown Canal; one at East avenue or Boulevard, connecting with Oakland street, Borough of Brooklyn, the other at Oliver street, connecting with Paige avenue, Brooklyn.

Vernon avenue, the Boulevard, Meadow street, Van Dam street, Laurel Hill avenue, a portion of Borden avenue, Rogers street and Jane street, Paynter avenue, Graham avenue, Broadway, Jamaica avenue, Grand avenue, Newtown avenue, Flushing avenue, Wolcott avenue, east of Debevoise street, Winthrop avenue, Front street, from Borden avenue to Fourth avenue, Fourth street, from Front street to Vernon avenue, are to be widened to 100 feet for the purpose of facilitating the travel, and the system of parkways which connects the two bridges over the East river with the proposed parks in Long Island City, Newtown and Flushing, will give an extended drive from the main city to the farthest districts of Greater New York.

Wherever several wide streets cross each other public places or parks will be established, and wherever the original conditions of the ground are preserved as yet the area was laid out as a park.

The following are the location of the public places:

1. Between School street and Hill street, at Thompson avenue.
 2. Between Van Pelt street and Bragaw street, at Covert avenue.
 3. Between Caroline street and Heiser street, at Thompson avenue.
 4. The triangular block at Hunter street, Academy street.
 5. Blocks bounded by Lockwood street, Webster avenue, Lathrop street and Freeman street.
 6. Blocks bounded by Fulton avenue, Welling street, Grand avenue, Main street and the Boulevard.
 7. At the intersection of Grand avenue and Hobart street.
 8. Between Oakley street and Cabinet street, at Potter avenue and Flushing avenue.
 9. Between Lawrence street and Rapelje street, at Debevoise and Wolcott streets.
- Public parks are to be laid out as follows:
1. Blocks bounded by Vernon avenue, Rogers street, Jane street, Van Alst avenue and Harris avenue.
 2. Blocks bounded by Steinway avenue, Broadway, Vinans avenue and Graham avenue.
 3. Blocks bounded by Van Alst avenue, Newtown avenue, Crescent and Grand avenues.
 4. Blocks bounded by Howland avenue, Wolcott avenue, Debevoise avenue and Ditmar avenue.
 5. The area lying between Boulevard and the United States Pier and Bulkhead line, from Vardell street and Berrian avenue.

Diagonal Streets are to be Laid Out or Extended as follows:

1. Nott avenue, from Meadow street to Borden avenue.
2. Harris avenue, from Crescent to Public place at Thompson avenue and Van Dam street.
3. Nott avenue, from Jackson avenue to Ravenswood Park.
4. Diagonal street, from Public place at Thompson avenue and Van Dam street to intersection of Borden avenue and Laurel Hill avenue.
5. Freeman avenue, from Jackson avenue to Public place at Thompson avenue and Heiser street.
6. Van Dam street, from Rapelje avenue to park at Debevoise avenue and Freeman street.
7. Diagonal street, from Ravenswood Park at Van Alst avenue to Public place at Debevoise avenue and Freeman street.
8. Diagonal street, from Public place at Webster avenue to Lathrop street; to public park at Steinway and Graham avenues, continuing through the park to Grand avenue and Hobart street.
9. Diagonal street, from Public place at Webster avenue and Lockwood street, to Grand avenue and Boulevard (Astoria).
10. Laurel Hill avenue, from Jackson avenue to Graham avenue, continuing through the public park and extending to Grand avenue and Rapelje avenue.
11. Diagonal from public park at Debevoise avenue to intersection of Flushing avenue and Potter avenue.
12. Parkway, from public park at Debevoise avenue and Wolcott avenue to intersection with Riker avenue and Cabinet street, connecting there with the Shore drive to Flushing.

The water front of Long Island City is almost entirely in the hands of private individuals; a few basins were laid out on the submitted plan near Astoria, and the block bounded by Seventh street, West street, Eighth street and the East river, was laid out for the purpose of establishing a public market thereon.

A very difficult problem will confront the Board of Public Improvements, namely the abolition of grade crossings of the different branches of the Long Island Railroad. The Long Island Railroad furnishes quick transit and some consideration is therefore due to the company—two ways are open to solve this problem—the Long Island Railroad can be operated as an elevated railroad through the lower lying districts, and can be depressed in the higher elevated districts, or all the adjoining and crossing streets can be raised and carried over the tracks by bridges. Both systems have certain merits and the submitted plan shows all streets crossing the tracks without determining whether they shall go over or under the tracks. This matter can be left to future consideration when the detail maps will be presented to the Board for adoption.

As an addendum I wish to submit the following statistics in relation to the map of Long Island City:

1. Area of the First Ward of the Borough of Queens (Long Island City), 4,880 acres.
2. Number of miles of streets laid out on the map of Long Island City of 1873 and retained on submitted map, 111 miles.
3. Number of miles of streets newly laid out, 6½ miles.
4. Areas laid out for public parks, 86 acres.
5. Area laid out for public places, 27 acres.
6. Number of public places, 10.
7. Number of public parks, 5.
8. Miles of water-front along East river, 8.
9. Miles of water-front along Newtown Creek, 2.1.
10. Miles of water-front along Berrian Island, ½.

Respectfully,

LOUIS A. RISSE,
Chief Topographical Engineer and Engineer of Concourse.

The following resolution was then unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York, in pursuance of the provisions of section 436 of chapter 378, Laws of 1897, deeming it for the public interest so to do, proposes to alter the map or plan of The City of New York by laying out new streets, avenues, parks and public places, as shown on a proposed map or plan, showing the street system in the First Ward, Borough of Queens, formerly Long Island City, as modified and proposed by the said Board of Public Improvements.

Resolved, That the President of this Board cause to be prepared, for submission to this Board, three similar maps or plans, for certification and filing in the manner required by law, showing as nearly as possible the nature and extent of the proposed laying out of new streets, etc., of the above-named First Ward, Borough of Queens, and the location of the immediate adjacent or intersecting open or established public streets, avenues, roads, squares, or places, sufficient for the identification and location thereof.

Resolved, That this Board consider the proposed laying out of new streets, avenues, etc., of the above-named First Ward, Borough of Queens, at a meeting of this Board, to be held in the office of this Board on the 29th day of November, 1899, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Board cause these resolutions, and a notice to all persons affected thereby, that the proposed laying out of new streets, avenues, etc., of the above-named First Ward, Borough of Queens, will be considered at a meeting of this Board to be held at the aforesaid time and place, to be published in the CITY RECORD for ten days continuously, Sundays and legal holidays excepted, prior to the 29th day of November, 1899.

The following report from the Chief Topographical Engineer was read:

CITY OF NEW YORK,
PRESIDENT OF BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS,
TOPOGRAPHICAL BUREAU,
ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SEVENTH STREET AND THIRD AVENUE,
November 1, 1899.

Mr. JOHN H. MOONEY, Secretary, Board of Public Improvements:

SIR—In reply to the action taken by the Board of Public Improvements, referring, for report, communication from the President of the Borough of Queens, recommending the legal opening of Delap place, from Grand street to Bergen avenue, Fourth Ward, Borough of Queens, I have to state that Delap place is shown on a map filed September 20, 1899, and there is no legal obstacle against opening the same.

There are buildings upon the land to be acquired. The papers in the matter are returned.

Respectfully,

LOUIS A. RISSE,
Chief Topographical Engineer and Engineer of Concourse.

The following resolution was thereupon adopted:

"Resolved, That the Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York, in pursuance of the provisions of section 970 of chapter 378, Laws of 1897, deems it for the public interest that the title to the lands and premises required for the opening and extending of Delap place, from Grand street to Bergen avenue, in the Fourth Ward, Borough of Queens, City of New York, should be acquired by The City of New York.

"Resolved, That the Board of Public Improvements, deeming it for the public interest so to do, hereby requests the Corporation Counsel to make application to a special term of the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, and to take the necessary proceedings, in the name of The City of New York, to acquire title, whenever the same has not been heretofore acquired, for the use of the public, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments that shall or may be required for the purpose of opening and extending Delap place, from Grand street to Bergen avenue, in the Fourth Ward, Borough of Queens, City of New York.

"Resolved, That the entire cost and expense of said proceedings shall be assessed upon the property deemed to be benefited thereby."

Affirmative—Comptroller, Commissioner of Water Supply, Commissioner of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, Commissioner of Bridges, and President of the Board.

Negative—None.

The following report from the Chief Topographical Engineer was read and placed on file:

CITY OF NEW YORK,
PRESIDENT OF BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS,
TOPOGRAPHICAL BUREAU,
ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SEVENTH STREET AND THIRD AVENUE,
November 4, 1899.

Mr. JOHN H. MOONEY, Secretary, Board of Public Improvements:

SIR—In reply to the action taken by the Board of Public Improvements referring, for report, copy of a resolution from the Local Board of the Borough of Queens, recommending the laying out

and legal opening of a public park, bounded by Crotona avenue, Central avenue and Plateau street, in Corona, Second Ward, Borough of Queens, I have to state that said plot of land is shown as a public place on a map showing the street system in the westerly part of the Second Ward, which map is under consideration for adoption by the Board. Nothing more can be done in this matter for the present, until said map of the street system of Newtown has been adopted.

After the adoption of said map, a special map can be filed of this public place and proceedings initiated for acquiring title to the same.

The papers in the matter are herewith returned.

Respectfully,

LOUIS A. RISSE,
Chief Topographical Engineer and Engineer of Concourse.

The following papers, which had been served on the President of the Board, were referred to the Corporation Counsel:

SUPREME COURT—KINGS COUNTY.

Edward M. Grout, as President of the Borough of Brooklyn,
and as a taxpayer in The City of New York,

vs.

Maurice F. Holahan, William Dalton, James P. Keating,
James Kane, James McCartney, Henry S. Kearney, James
J. Coogan, John Whalen, Robert A. Van Wyck, John L.
Shea, Bird S. Coler, Louis F. Haffen, Frederick Bowley
and George Cromwell, constituting with the plaintiff the
Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York.

It appearing from the complaint herein, verified November 8, 1899, and the affidavit of the plaintiff, verified November 8, 1899, that the defendants, constituting with the plaintiff the Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York, or a majority of them, are about or threaten and intend to assent to the contract with the Ramapo Water Company, attached to the complaint as part of Exhibit "G," and to authorize the defendant Dalton, Commissioner of Water Supply, to execute the same, and it appearing from the said papers that the said action is a waste and injury to the property, funds and effects of The City of New York, of which the parties to this action are trustees, and that the said contract, if made, would be in violation of the official duties and responsibilities of said trustees, and that said contract is unlawful, in that the Board of Public Improvements has no legal right to assent thereto nor the Commissioner of Water Supply to execute the same and in that the Ramapo Water Company has no power to enter into the same, and the plaintiff having given the undertaking required by law, it is

Ordered, That the defendants, constituting the said Board of Public Improvements, be enjoined from assenting to the execution of the said contract or any contract with the Ramapo Water Company, and that the defendant Dalton, Commissioner of Water Supply, be enjoined from executing the said contract or any contract with the said Ramapo Water Company.

Let the defendants show cause before me at a Special Term of the Supreme Court for the hearing of motions, to be held at the County Court-house, in the County of Kings, on November 14, 1899, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, why the foregoing injunction should not be continued until the hearing and determination of this action.

Service of this order and the papers upon which it is granted on or before November 9, 1899, shall be sufficient.

Dated BROOKLYN, November 8, 1899.

WILMOT M. SMITH, Justice of the Supreme Court.

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Shea, Bird S. Coler, Louis F. Haffen, Frederick Bowley
and George Cromwell, constituting with the plaintiff the
Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York.

Trial desired in the County of
Kings.

To the above-named defendants:

You are hereby summoned to answer the complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your answer on the plaintiff's attorney within twenty days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service; and in case of your failure to appear, or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default, for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated, BROOKLYN, November 8, 1899.

EDWARD M. GROUT,
Plaintiff's Attorney, No. 189 Montague Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

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John L. Shea, Bird S. Coler, Louis F. Haffen, Fred-
erick Bowley and George Cromwell, constituting with
the plaintiff the Board of Public Improvements of The
City of New York.

The plaintiff complains:

1. That he is an officer of The City of New York, to wit, the President of the Borough of Brooklyn in said city, and as such is a member of the Board of Public Improvements in said city. That he resides in Kings County in the said city, is authorized to pay taxes therein and has paid taxes therein.

2. That the defendant Holahan is the President of said Board of Public Improvements; that the defendant Dalton is the Commissioner of Water Supply of said city and a member of said Board; that the defendant Keating is Commissioner of Highways of said city and a member of said Board; that the defendant Kane is the Commissioner of Sewers of said city and a member of said Board; that the defendant McCartney is the Commissioner of Street Cleaning of said city and a member of said Board; that the defendant Kearney is the Commissioner of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, of said city and a member of said Board; that the defendant James J. Coogan is President of the Borough of Manhattan and a member of said Board; that the defendant Whalen is Corporation Counsel of said city and a member of said Board; that the defendant Van Wyck is Mayor of said city and a member of said Board; that the defendant Shea is Commissioner of Bridges of said city and a member of said Board; that the defendant Coler is Comptroller of said city and a member of said Board; that the defendant Haffen is President of the Borough of The Bronx, and a member of said Board; that the defendant Bowley is President of the Borough of Queens and a member of said Board, and that the defendant Cromwell is the President of the Borough of Richmond and a member of said Board.

3. That the Board of Public Improvements is an administrative board of The City of New York, and in charge, generally, of the public works of the said city. That certain property, funds and effects of the City are committed to the management and control of the said Board, and the said Board and the individual members thereof are, by the provisions of section 59 of the Charter of the City of New York, trustees of such property, funds and effects. That in addition to public works having to do with the governmental functions of The City of New York as a political subdivision of the State of New York, the said city has other public works having nothing to do with its functions as a governmental corporation, and among such other public works in which it has thus engaged The City of New York has for many years past engaged in the business of supplying water, both for its own purposes in the streets and public buildings of the City and for protection from fire, and to its citizens and residents for domestic and commercial uses; and in the said business of supplying water The City of New York has invested large sums of money, has acquired a large plant or equipment for the purpose of such business, and obtains a large revenue therefrom. That out of such revenue arising from the sale of water are payable all charges incurred for the obtaining of water.

That as such trustees the parties to this action are subject to all the duties and responsibilities imposed by law upon trustees generally, and the plaintiff, as a co-trustee and as a cestui que trust, is entitled as against said trustees and in regard to the said property, funds and effects, to all the rights and privileges provided by law for any co-trustee or cestui que trust to prosecute and maintain any action to prevent waste and injury to any property, funds and effects so held in trust; and the plaintiff brings this action as such co-trustee and cestui que trust under the provisions of section 59 of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897, commonly known as the "Greater New York Charter."

4. That heretofore, and on January 21, 1898, the Jamaica Water Supply Company, a corporation duly incorporated under the laws of the State of New York, offered to the parties to this action, as constituting the Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York, to supply to The City of New York, in the Borough of Queens thereof, five million gallons of water per day, without stating the price thereof, but offering to promptly furnish any additional information relating to said offer which might be required, and on the same day the Woodside Water Company, a corporation duly incorporated under the laws of the State of New York, likewise offered to supply in the said borough, within twenty-four hours after the signing of a contract, four million gallons of water per day, and within ninety days after the signing of a contract, an additional two million gallons per day, without stating the price, but offering to promptly furnish any additional information relating to said offer which might be required. That on the same day the Citizens' Water Supply Company, a corporation duly incorporated under the laws of the State of New York, likewise offered to supply some millions of gallons of water, without stating any price, but offering to promptly furnish any additional information relating to said offer which might be required, and the parties to this action, constituting said Board of Public Improvements, thereupon referred the said three offers to the defendant, William Dalton, Commissioner of Water Supply.

An extract from the minutes of the Board of Public Improvements of January 21, 1898, containing full copies of the said offers and the official action of the Board of Public Improvements thereon, is hereto attached and marked Exhibit A.

That thereafter and on March 16, 1898, the New York and Westchester Water Company, a corporation duly incorporated under the laws of the State of New York, communicated to the parties of this action, as constituting the Board of Public Improvements, an offer which, on July 6, 1895, the said company had made to The City of New York to supply it with fifty million gallons of water per day, at five cents per thousand gallons (equivalent to \$50 per million), and a decreased price for a greater quantity of water per day, and informed the said Board that they were prepared to carry out such proposition in the shortest possible time and to furnish any required supply of water necessary to meet the needs of the City for the future, and that a large amount of water could be supplied by them at \$15 per million gallons less than the above offer (equivalent to \$35 per million gallons), and offering to give any required bonds to guarantee the carrying out of a contract, and asking for consideration of their proposition; which communication was read and referred to the Commissioner of Water Supply. An extract from the minutes of the Board of Public Improvements of March 16, 1898, containing the above communication in full and the action of the Board thereon, is hereto attached and marked Exhibit B.

That thereafter and on March 23, 1898, the same company repeated the said offer, stating that it had been made on June 27, 1895, to the City of Brooklyn, and expressing in similar terms the repetition thereof to the parties to this action as such Board of Public Improvements, which communication was likewise referred to the Commissioner of Water Supply.

An extract from the minutes of the Board of Public Improvements of March 23, 1898, containing the above communication in full and the action of the Board thereon, is hereto attached and marked Exhibit B2.

That on said March 23, 1898, the Queens County Water Company, a corporation duly incorporated under the laws of the State of New York, offered to the parties to this action, as constituting the said Board of Public Improvements, to supply to The City of New York, at the conduit for the Brooklyn Water Supply, two million gallons of water per day at \$50 per million, and an additional supply, estimated at three or four million gallons daily, at \$35 per million gallons, which communication was referred to the Commissioner of Water Supply to ascertain the ability of the company to carry out its proposition. A copy thereof, with the action of the Board of Public Improvements thereon, is hereto attached and marked Exhibit C.

That thereafter and on May 18, 1898, the Woodside Water Company supplemented its prior offer by offering to supply five million gallons of water daily, within thirty days, at \$40 per million gallons. A copy of said offer is hereto attached and marked Exhibit D.

The Board of Public Improvements took no action whatsoever upon the said offer except to refuse to adopt a resolution moved by this plaintiff "that this Board publicly advertise that water is required for the Borough of Queens, and that this proposed contract (i. e., a proposed contract with the Citizens' Water Supply Company then before said Board) be used as specifications, striking out the name of the company and the price, and that the advertisement state that specifications are on file at this office (i. e., the office of the Board of Public Improvements), and that such advertisement be sent to every private water company in the Borough of Queens."

5. That on March 9, 1898, the Ramapo Water Company, a corporation incorporated under the laws of the State of New York, made a written communication to the Board of Public Improvements offering to enter into a contract with The City of New York to supply water to it, but stating neither the quantity which it could supply or desired to supply, nor the price at which it would supply the same, nor the term of years for which it would make a contract, which communication was by the Board of Public Improvements referred to the Commissioner of Water Supply for investigation. A copy thereof, with the action of the Board of Public Improvements thereon, is hereto attached and marked Exhibit E.

6. That thereafter and on May 18, 1898, the Commissioner of Water Supply, at a meeting of the Board of Public Improvements, called attention to the fact that communications from the Ramapo and Westchester Water Companies had been received by the Board and referred to his department, that both companies had courteously requested that they should be granted a hearing, that he could see no objection to granting this request, and therefore moved that a day be fixed for said hearing, and the defendant Holahan, the President of said Board, suggested that June 1, 1898, be designated; but the Board, on the motion of the plaintiff, voted that the Secretary of the Board communicate with the different water companies, stating that there was no prospect of the City requiring any additional water from water companies at present, and thereafter, on June 1, 1896, on the motion of defendant Kearney, seconded by the defendant Keating, it was resolved that the Secretary of the Board communicate with the various water companies which had made application to the Board for the privilege of supplying water to various parts of the city and notify them that the Board had set Tuesday, June 14, as a day of hearing when they could make application to the Board in person for the privilege of supplying water to the city, which resolution was carried by the vote of the defendants Dalton, Keating, McCartney, Kearney, Coogan, Haffen and Holahan, the defendants Kane and Cromwell voting with the plaintiff in the negative, and the other parties to the action being absent at the time of the vote; and on June 14, 1898, a special meeting of the Board of Public Improvements pursuant to said resolution was held, at which were present all the parties to this action, except the defendants Van Wyck, Mayor of the City, and the defendant Cromwell, President of the Borough of Richmond; but at the said hearing none of the various water companies which had made application to the said Board appeared, except the Ramapo Water Company; and on information and belief the plaintiff alleges that the notice of the said hearing, in violation of the terms of the resolution directing the same, was not sent to any of such companies except to the Ramapo Water Company, of which fact the plaintiff was not informed until some time in the month of September, 1899, and which, as he is informed and believes, was not known to any of the parties to this action prior to said September, 1899, except the defendant Holahan, who, as he is informed and believes, was alone responsible therefor.

7. That the defendant Dalton, Commissioner of Water Supply, has never made any report whatsoever to the Board of Public Improvements upon the foregoing offers or propositions of the Jamaica Water Supply Company, the Woodside Water Company, the New York and Westchester Water Company, or the Queens County Water Company, either as to their ability to furnish the water which they offered, or as to the reasonableness of the price at which they offered the same, and the Board of Public Improvements has taken no action concerning the said offers except to refer the same as aforesaid to the Commissioner of Water Supply. The said offers have been in all respects ignored and consideration thereof refused.

8. That on May 10, 1899, the defendant Commissioner of Water Supply reported to the Board of Public Improvements that inasmuch as a resolution had been adopted pending a hearing for the various water companies which had made application for supplying water to the various parts of the city, and as the hearing had been held on June 14, 1898, he considered that the communication of the Ramapo Water Company and the subject of that communication were not in his hands for report, which communications the Board of Public Improvements placed on file, and an extract from the Minutes of the said Board showing the action of the Board and the communication in full is hereto attached and marked Exhibit F.

But, nevertheless, as the plaintiff is informed and believes, the defendants Dalton and Holahan secretly and without any other or further action of the Board of Public Improvements than the hearing before set forth, and without any authorization of the said Board, entered upon an examination of the territory which the Ramapo Water Company claimed as a water-shed, and secretly and without any other action of the Board of Public Improvements than is hereinbefore set forth and without any authorization from said Board, prepared a so-called report from the Commissioner of Water Supply to the President of the Board of Public Improvements, and also secretly and without any other action of the Board of Public Improvements than is hereinbefore set forth and without any authorization whatsoever from the said Board, negotiated with the Ramapo Water Company the forms, terms and conditions of a proposed contract between the said company and The City of New York by the defendant Dalton, as Commissioner of Water Supply of said city, which, with like secrecy and with like absence of any authority from the said Board of Public Improvements, they caused to be redrawn by the defendant Whalen, the Corpora-

tion Counsel, which said proposed contract and which so-called report, together with the communication of the said Corporation Counsel, they, the defendants Holahan and Dalton, without any direction, request or suggestion from the Board of Public Improvements, and in spite of the fact that the defendant Dalton had in the May preceding reported that he did not consider that he had the Ramapo Water Company's communication or its subject in its hands for report, caused to be read at a meeting of the Board of Public Improvements at which the plaintiff was absent, and, as the plaintiff is informed and believes, the said defendants Holahan and Dalton, aided by other of the defendants, made every effort to force a vote upon the said contract at the said meeting of the Board of Public Improvements, and, failing to obtain enough votes to constitute a majority (there being but twelve of the fifteen members of said Board present), the matter was adjourned to August 30, 1899, and, as the plaintiff is informed and believes, a majority of the said Board of Public Improvements would then have voted the said contract unless restrained by the injunctive power of the Supreme Court, and, as he is informed and believes, a majority of the said Board are ready and willing and intend to vote in favor of making the said contract unless restrained by the court. A copy of the Corporation Counsel's communication to the defendant Holahan, covering the proposed contract, and of the report made in connection therewith by the defendant Dalton, are hereto attached and marked Exhibit G.

The proposed contract recited that the Ramapo Water Company was authorized to make the same by the provisions of chapter 985 of the Laws of 1895, entitled "An Act to Limit and Define the Powers of the Ramapo Water Company," that The City of New York was authorized to make the same by sections 415, 457 and 471 of the charter of the said City and by section 3 of said chapter 985 of the Laws of 1895, and the said proposed contract provided that the said Ramapo Water Company should furnish, and The City of New York should take, two hundred million gallons of water daily, at \$70 per million gallons, for a period of forty years, all as more fully appears by reference to the said contract hereto attached.

9. Plaintiff further alleges that the said proposed contract and the proceedings in relation thereto are wrongful and in bad faith and in violation of the official duties and responsibilities imposed upon the parties to this action as trustees of the property, funds and effects of The City of New York, and are a waste and injury of such funds, property and effects so held in trust, not only because the aforesaid offers of the other water companies to supply water at lower rates have been ignored and consideration thereof refused, and not only because of the secret change made by the defendant Holahan of the terms of the notice of hearing before the Board of Public Improvements on June 14, 1898, and of the secret and unauthorized preparation of such proposed contract, but also because the Board of Public Improvements has never investigated in any manner whatsoever the question of what is a fair and reasonable price for The City of New York to pay for water per million gallons; that the defendant Dalton, in his communication urging the signing of said contract (Exhibit G), in no manner undertakes to report that the proposed price of \$70 per million gallons is a fair and reasonable price for such water, but entirely ignores and does not consider, and the Board of Public Improvements has at no time considered, whether or not such proposed price at \$70 per million gallons be fair and reasonable, and plaintiff alleges, on information and belief, that the said price of \$70 per million gallons is grossly excessive and wasteful, and the plaintiff alleges, on information and belief, that the Ramapo Water Company, in the year 1887, offered to supply to the City of Brooklyn, at its city line, much farther from its watershed than the present city line of The City of New York, twenty million gallons of water daily at a price of 20 per cent. less than the then actual cost to the City of Brooklyn of the same amount of water in the year 1885, equivalent to the sum of \$45.10 per million gallons. And the plaintiff alleges, on information and belief, that a larger quantity of water could be furnished at a less cost than a small quantity.

10. Plaintiff alleges that the said proposed contract (Exhibit G) is unlawful, for the reason that the Commissioner of Water Supply has no right to enter into any contract, nor the Board of Public Improvements to assent to any contract, except with a corporation actually engaged in the business of supplying or selling water, and upon information and belief he alleges that the Ramapo Water Company is not so actually engaged in the business of supplying or selling water, and has no pipes, conduits, aqueducts or reservoirs constructed, nor any property now devoted to the business of supplying water, but is a wholly prospective and speculative paper company.

11. Plaintiff further alleges that the said proposed contract is unlawful, for the reason that chapter 985 of the Laws of 1895, purporting or claimed to authorize the same, is an unconstitutional act of the Legislature, and is null and void; that the Ramapo Water Company is by law either absolutely prohibited from entering into any contract for the purpose of accumulating, storing, conducting, furnishing or supplying water for domestic, manufacturing or municipal purposes in The City of New York, or else is absolutely prohibited from making any such contract for a period longer than ten years.

12. Plaintiff brings this action in person and not through the Corporation Counsel, the law adviser of the City and of its officials, because the Corporation Counsel, as a member of the Board of Public Improvements, is a necessary party defendant, and because he has approved the contract involved in this suit and has defended the same in two other suits wherein it was attacked.

Wherefore, plaintiff asks judgment that the Board of Public Improvements and each member thereof be enjoined from assenting to the said proposed contract with the Ramapo Water Company, and the defendant the Commissioner of Water Supply, from executing the same, and that in like manner the making of any contract with the said Ramapo Water Company be enjoined.

EDWARD M. GROUT, Plaintiff's Attorney,
No. 159 Montague Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

CITY OF NEW YORK—COUNTY OF KINGS, ss.:

Edward M. Grout, the plaintiff, being duly sworn, says that the foregoing complaint is true to his own knowledge, except as to the matters therein stated to be alleged on information and belief, and as to those matters he believes it to be true.

EDWARD M. GROUT.

Sworn to before me November 8, 1899.

SAMUEL K. KELLOCK,
Commissioner of Deeds for The City of New York,
Residing in the Borough of Brooklyn.

EXHIBIT "A."

(Extract from the Minutes of the Board of Public Improvements of January 21, 1898.)

Secretary read a communication from the Jamaica Water Supply Company, the Woodside Water Company and the Citizens' Water Supply Company of Newtown, marked, respectively, "1," "2" and "3," as follows:

"1."

JANUARY 28, 1898.

To the Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York:

GENTLEMEN—The Jamaica Water Supply Company, with wells located south of the old Village of Jamaica, in the Borough of Queens, has such a quantity of pure and wholesome water as would permit of their delivery to The City of New York in such borough of five million gallons per day, if desired, and would be pleased to enter into a contract for such supply.

Such additional information as you may desire will be promptly furnished.

Respectfully,

F. H. VAN VECHTEN, as Attorney for the Jamaica Water Supply Company,
Bank Building, Jamaica, N. Y.

"2."

JANUARY 20, 1898.

To the Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York:

GENTLEMEN—The Woodside Water Company, with wells located near Woodside, in the Borough of Queens, has facilities which will permit of its supplying pure and wholesome water in the following quantities and within the following stated periods, viz.:

Within twenty-four hours after signing of contract, four million gallons additional per day, and within ninety days after signing contract, an additional supply of two million gallons per day, or total per diem supply of ten million gallons in ninety days after signing of contract, all such water to be delivered in existing system of Long Island City.

I will be pleased to furnish additional information if you desire.

Respectfully,

F. H. VAN VECHTEN, as Attorney for the Woodside Water Company,
Bank Building, Jamaica, N. Y.

"3."

ELMHURST, N. Y., January 21, 1898.

The Hon. MAURICE F. HOLAHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements, N. Y. City:

SIR—The fact of the impurity of the water supplied to Long Island City from distinctly local sources has become a matter of almost general knowledge.

The existing condition in this regard is evidenced by the supplying of some of the largest consumers in that locality of water from our system.

Realizing these conditions, and having some millions of gallons of surplus water, with some of our pipe lines running to the old division line between Long Island City and the former Town of Newtown, we respectfully suggest that the Citizens' Water Supply Company of Newtown would be glad to negotiate with the greater city to meet the pressing necessities for an increased and better supply of water at any point or points on the Long Island side of the East river.

With great regard,

Your obedient servant,

CORD MEYER, President, Citizens' Water Supply Company of Newtown.

President—I think these matters should be referred to the Commissioner of Water Supply, under whose Department these matters come. I will, however, take the liberty of sending the

President of the Borough of Queens the certified copies he asks for. I think that before acting on these matters we should await the report of the Chief Engineer of the Water Supply.

EXHIBIT B.

(Extract from the Minutes of the Board of Public Improvements of March 16, 1898.)

The following communication was read, and referred to the Commissioner of Water Supply:

NEW YORK AND WESTCHESTER WATER COMPANY,
NEW YORK CITY OFFICE, No. 68 BROAD STREET,
NEW YORK, N. Y., March 11, 1898.

To The City of New York and the Board of Improvements of said City:

GENTLEMEN—Heretofore we filed with the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund an offer to supply water for all purposes of the city, as follows:

NEW YORK, July 6, 1895.

Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, New York City:

GENTLEMEN—The New York and Westchester Water Company, associated with other water companies and parties, will furnish The City of New York with any quantity of water, under full and adequate pressure for fire service and domestic use in any part of the city, and introduce the same at once, at a rate of five cents per thousand gallons for fifty millions (50,000,000) gallons per day, and a decreased price for a greater quantity of water per day. The price mentioned covers the introduction of a system adequate to maintain high pressure throughout such parts of the city as may be desired.

Very respectfully yours,

THE NEW YORK AND WESTCHESTER WATER COMPANY AND
ASSOCIATED WATER COMPANIES AND PARTIES.

By M. R. CROW.

NEW YORK, December 17, 1895.

Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, New York City:

GENTLEMEN—The offer heretofore made to your Honorable Body, of July 6, to supply water, etc., and answering inquiries made to us, we would say that we can supply approximately one hundred million gallons of water from the neighborhood of Pocantico Hills, to be increased to two hundred million gallons, by supplies available in Orange and adjoining counties, in case any larger quantity may be required, from the Adirondack watershed, by a system of ten intermediate reservoirs connected from the vicinity of Lake Pleasant to New York City.

The New York and Westchester Water Company has been supplying water to Hart's Island for three years, under a contract made with the City through your Honorable Board.

Very respectfully yours,

NEW YORK AND WESTCHESTER WATER COMPANY AND
ASSOCIATED WATER COMPANIES.

By M. R. CROW.

We are prepared to carry out the above propositions in the shortest possible time and furnish any required supply of water necessary to meet the needs of the public for the future; and a large amount of water can be supplied at a rate as low as fifteen dollars per million gallons, under the above offer. We will give any required bond or bonds to guarantee the carrying out of the same. We respectfully ask for your consideration of the proposition.

Yours truly,

NEW YORK AND WESTCHESTER WATER COMPANY,
Per M. R. CROW.

EXHIBIT B-2.

(Extract from the Minutes of the Board of Public Improvements of March 23, 1898.)

The following communication was read and referred to the Commissioner of Water Supply:

NEW YORK AND WESTCHESTER WATER COMPANY,
NEW YORK CITY OFFICE, No. 68 BROAD STREET,
NEW YORK, N. Y., March 17, 1898.

In Re Water for Brooklyn.

To The City of New York and the Board of Improvements of said City:

GENTLEMEN—Heretofore we filed with the Hon. Alfred T. White, former Commissioner of Public Works of the former City of Brooklyn, an offer to supply water for all purposes of the City, as follows:

NEW YORK, No. 68 BROAD STREET, June 27, 1895.

ALFRED T. WHITE, Esq., Commissioner of Public Works, Brooklyn, N. Y.:

DEAR SIR—A syndicate composed of the New York and Westchester Water Company, the New York City District Water Supply Company, the Upper New York City Water Company and others, will supply to the City of Brooklyn fifty million (50,000,000) gallons of water per day at five cents per 1,000 gallons, under a satisfactory contract for ten years or more, on such terms as will secure to the city a full supply. If the city will consider the matter, we will arrange to have it negotiated and put in shape at once.

Respectfully yours,

M. R. CROW, Individually and as Attorney.

NEW YORK, No. 68 BROAD STREET, December 17, 1895.

Hon. ALFRED T. WHITE, Commissioner of Public Works, Brooklyn, N. Y.:

DEAR SIR—Referring to the offer heretofore made to you, of June 27, to supply water, etc., and in answer to inquiries made to us, we would say that we can supply, approximately, one hundred million gallons of water from the neighborhood of Pocantico Hills, to be increased to two hundred millions by supplies available in Orange and adjoining counties and, in case any larger quantity be required, from the Adirondack watershed, by a system of ten intermediate reservoirs connected from the vicinity of Lake Pleasant to Brooklyn.

Very respectfully yours,

NEW YORK AND WESTCHESTER AND ASSOCIATED WATER COMPANIES,
By M. R. CROW.

We are prepared to carry out the above propositions in the shortest possible time and furnish any required supply of water necessary to meet the needs of the public for the future, and a large amount of water can be supplied at a rate as low as fifteen dollars per million gallons, under the above offer. We will give any required bonds to guarantee the carrying out of the same. We respectfully ask for your consideration of the proposition.

Yours truly,

NEW YORK AND WESTCHESTER WATER COMPANY,
By M. R. CROW.

EXHIBIT C.

(Extract from the Minutes of the Board of Public Improvements of March 23, 1898.)

The following communication from the Queens County Water Supply Company was read and referred to the Commissioner of Water Supply to ascertain the ability of the Company to carry out its proposal:

LORD, DAY & LORD,
CABLE ADDRESS "LORDATTY,"
EQUITABLE BUILDING, No. 120 BROADWAY,
NEW YORK, March 9, 1898.

To Hon. JAMES MOFFET, Deputy Commissioner, etc., Department of Water Supply, Brooklyn, N. Y.:

SIR—On behalf of the Queens County Water Company I submit a proposal for supplying water to the City of Brooklyn. The proposal anticipates a supply from the Water Company's wells and brooks, located on its property between Hewletts and Valley Stream which embraces over 300 acres. The company has at present on this property forty-five shallow wells and sixteen deep wells, which are ample, not only for the present requirements of the company's consumers and their prospective requirements for at least five years, but also for the minimum supply mentioned in the proposal.

The company's pumping station is equipped with two 100 horse-power and one 125 horse-power boilers, with a low-service Worthington pump with a capacity of 4,000,000 gallons per day and two high-service pumps, each with a capacity of 2,000,000 gallons per day. The maximum daily consumption has been 2,100,000 gallons, and the minimum daily consumption during the past year has been 400,000 gallons, the average being about 846,000 gallons, so that with its present equipment the company could furnish the water specified in the proposal, but in case the proposal is accepted, the company will at once install an additional low-service pump with a capacity of 4,000,000 gallons per day.

The actual water supply availed from the company's territory can only be definitely ascertained by the development of its resources. From present indications it would appear that it can easily furnish from five to six million gallons in addition to the requirements of its consumers (present and prospective), and in case the City should require water in excess of the minimum amount specified in the proposal (which is necessarily a tentative one), the company will sink additional wells and supply within the limits of its resources whatever the City calls for. The specification of the minimum amount in the proposal is not intended to limit and does not limit the amount of water which the City may call for, but it does limit the amount which the City can be

required to pay, and in case the company should fail to meet the requirements of the City up to 5,000,000 gallons the rate is reduced to \$35 per million gallons.

The general plan of the proposal is for an increase of the City's supply from the supply of my company. The intention has been to make the terms reasonable and to insert such provisions as may be required in the public interest. If the general proposition meets your approval I shall be pleased to receive any suggestions you may have to offer as to the details of the arrangement and to meet you or any representative of your Department at any time you may appoint.

Yours respectfully,

FRANKLIN B. LORD, President, Queens County Water Company.

PROPOSAL BY THE QUEENS COUNTY WATER COMPANY TO THE BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN FOR AN ADDITIONAL WATER SUPPLY.

The Queens County Water Company proposes to lay a conduit connecting its pumping station at Hewletts with the conduit of the Borough of Brooklyn, west of the Valley Stream Pumping Station (such conduit to be a 20-inch cast-iron pipe), and to supply to the Borough of Brooklyn from its wells and brooks at Hewletts a minimum quantity of water of 730,000,000 gallons per annum for five years, being at the rate of 2,000,000 gallons per day, for the price or sum of \$36,500 per annum, or at the rate of \$50 per million gallons. The Queens County Water Company also proposes to supply such additional quantity of water as may be required by the City and can be furnished by the water company without interfering with the supply required for consumers on its mains, at the rate of \$35 per million gallons. In case the City should call upon the company to supply water in excess of 730,000,000 gallons a year, but not exceeding 1,825,000,000 gallons, and the company, on account of a deficiency in its water supply, should be unable to furnish the water so called for, the rate for all water supplied, so long as the company shall fail to comply with the requirements of the City, to be \$35 per million gallons. Payments by the City to be made quarterly or otherwise, as may be agreed upon. The company will guarantee that the water to be supplied by it shall be wholesome and adapted to domestic uses. The quantity furnished to be ascertained by means of a meter to be placed on the conduit of the water company at or near its connection with the Brooklyn conduit.

In case this proposition is accepted by the City, the water company will at once proceed to lay the conduit, and will be prepared to supply water within thirty days unless hindered by legal proceedings.

The company will furnish security in the form of a bond or undertaking, in an adequate amount, executed by a responsible guaranty company, approved by the Department as surety.

Dated March 9, 1898.

QUEENS COUNTY WATER COMPANY,
by FRANKLIN B. LORD, President.

EXHIBIT "D."

(Extract from Minutes of the Board of Public Improvements of May 18, 1898, Page 362).

OFFICE OF THE WOODSIDE WATER COMPANY,
No. 112 FRONT STREET, BOROUGH OF QUEENS,
May 18, 1898.

To the Board of Public Improvements, New York City, N. Y.:

GENTLEMEN—The Woodside Water Company hereby offers to supply The City of New York with water, in the Borough of Queens, to the amount of from five hundred thousand to two million gallons daily, which amount can be increased to five million gallons daily within thirty days, if required. The water can be supplied to the City's system on ten minutes' notice through pipes of the company at a pressure of eighty pounds.

The company will supply the water at forty dollars per million gallons.

Respectfully yours,

EDWARD M. UYRELL, President.

EXHIBIT "E."

(Extracts from the Minutes of the Board of Public Improvements of March 9, 1898.)

The following communication was received from the Ramapo Water Company and referred to the Commissioner of Water Supply for investigation:

NEW YORK, March 8, 1898.

To the Honorable Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York:

The Ramapo Water Company, incorporated under the laws of the State of New York, hereby submits a proposal to supply to The City of New York pure and wholesome water from the elevated districts of the Hudson river watershed and adjacent territory, in the State of New York, by a system of transmission of gravity.

In Ulster, Rockland, Orange and other counties of New York State are mountainous sections of such elevation and aggregate area, and receiving annually such rainfall, that they offer opportunity for a direct supply of water by gravity greatly in excess of any need that can now be estimated. These areas, as compared with the Croton watershed, are at a greater elevation; contain steeper mountain slopes; are more heavily timbered; are more largely of primitive rock and less permeable to water; much sparser in population; less suited for agriculture, and favored with from ten to twenty per cent. greater rainfall per square mile.

So unproductive is this territory as a whole, and so small are the inducements or facilities for farming and manufacturing, that the development of these districts by the Ramapo Water Company at this time will make it feasible to guard against all sources of pollution of the water there impounded. Every stream which now drains these districts is of mountain water of the purest quality. The soil is, generally speaking, thin and gravelly, and the underlying rock is well suited for the bottom of storage basins, which can be easily kept clear of rank and undesirable vegetation. The drainage areas are so large that the excess of volume of flow over the amount of municipal consumption would be, for many years to come, so great that active circulation through the reservoirs would be maintained, even during long periods of minimum rainfall.

The character of these watersheds and the engineering problems involved in bringing the water to New York City received for some years the careful attention of the late William J. McAlpin, one of the most eminent hydraulic engineers which this country has ever produced. As Chief Engineer of the Ramapo Water Company he looked forward to a participation in the development of its plans as the crowning work of his life.

It is a part of the present proposition to deliver this mountain water at a pressure which will afford to The City of New York the most efficient fire service of any large city in the world. Water thus supplied could, if desired, be made to flow by gravity pressure to the top of the highest building now existing in New York, and would, without pumping, have a head sufficient to throw direct from any hydrant a stream adequate for the extinguishment of fires. In a system properly distributed from such a source, the mains would at all times, even during periods of heavy draught for extinguishing fires, yield a practically constant supply in every part of the city.

The Ramapo Water Company is prepared to enter into a contract with The City of New York for the purposes above described upon the following terms and conditions:

THE COMPANY TO AGREE.

- (1) To supply to the city, by direct gravity system, pure and wholesome mountain water in such quantity as may be desired.
- (2) To deliver the water at a point to be designated by the Commissioner of Water Supply, at a pressure due to a head of at least three hundred (300) feet above mean tide level.
- (3) To complete the entire work so as to deliver water in thirty-six (36) months from the date of the proposed contract.
- (4) To construct and operate the entire plant, including dams and reservoirs in the mountains and pipe-lines from the mountains to the city, without cost to the City other than the amount to be paid for water actually taken by the City as hereinafter provided.

THE CITY TO AGREE.

- (1) To take from the Ramapo Water Company a specific amount of water daily, and to pay to the company therefor a price to be agreed upon for each one million (1,000,000) gallons of water so taken during the continuance of this contract.
- (2) To continue to take the amount of water here proposed and to pay therefor, as above provided, during a term of years from the date of the first delivery by the company to be agreed upon.

The fulfillment of the contract which is here contemplated depends, on the part of the Water Company, exclusively on private capital and private enterprise, and The City of New York will neither incur debt (issue bonds) nor assume responsibility of any kind for the construction of the works. Until the water is delivered, under and according to the terms above proposed, the City will not be called upon to expend a single dollar in carrying out the proposed contract, and thereafter will only pay for the amount of water covered by the contract, and for any additional amounts for which the City may from time to time see fit to contract and the Water Company may agree to furnish. Thus each generation will pay year by year only for the quantity of which it will enjoy the benefits.

The company's engineers will wait upon you at your convenience with plans showing the available watersheds which it controls, and the dams, reservoirs and pipe-lines which it would construct, in and from the mountains, for the purpose of carrying out the contract here contemplated, and will demonstrate the fitness and capacity of all these features of the proposed hydraulic installation for the purposes of a supply possessing the advantages here outlined.

Respectfully submitted, hoping for your favorable reply,

RAMAPO WATER COMPANY,
By S. B. DUTCHER, President.

EXHIBIT F.

(Extract from the Minutes of the Board of Public Improvements of May 10, 1899 (see page 944).)

The following communication from the Commissioner of Water Supply was read and placed on file:

DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
No. 13 PARK ROW,
NEW YORK, May 10, 1899.

Hon. MAURICE F. HOLAHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements:

DEAR SIR—At a meeting of the Board on the 26th ultimo, it was stated that I made no report on the communication from the Ramapo Water Company, which was received at the meeting of March 9, 1898, and referred to me for investigation (Minutes, page 104).

At the meeting on May 18, 1898, the Commissioner of Water Supply called attention to the fact that communications from the Ramapo and the Westchester Water Companies had been referred to his Department, and both companies had requested a hearing; that he could see no objection to the granting of the request, and he moved that a day be fixed for such hearing. The President suggested Wednesday, June 1. The President of the Borough of Brooklyn offered as a substitute "that the Secretary of the Board communicate with the different water companies, stating that there is no prospect of the City requiring any additional water from water companies at present," which was adopted (Minutes, page 392).

At the meeting on June 1, 1898, a resolution was adopted setting June 14 as the day of hearing of the various water companies which had made application for supplying water to the various parts of the City.

At a special meeting on June 14, 1898, the hearing was held.

I consider that under these circumstances the communication of the Ramapo Water Company and the subject of that communication are not in my hands for report.

Very respectfully,

WILLIAM DALTON, Commissioner of Water Supply.

EXHIBIT G.

The following communication from the Corporation Counsel was read:

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL,
NEW YORK, August 16, 1899.

Hon. MAURICE F. HOLAHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements:

DEAR SIR—I return herewith proposed contract between the Ramapo Water Company and The City of New York, with my approval of the same as to form.

The contract sent me was so unfavorable to the City in most of its provisions that I felt obliged to redraw it. In its present form I do not think there can be any objection to it.

Very truly yours,

JOHN WHALEN, Corporation Counsel.

Agreement made this day of , 1899, by and between the Ramapo Water Company, a corporation of the State of New York (hereinafter called the Water Company), party of the first part, and The City of New York, a municipal corporation, by William Dalton, the Commissioner of Water Supply of said corporation (hereinafter called The City of New York), as authorized by chapter 378, sections 415, 457 and 471 of the Laws of 1897, party of the second part.

Whereas, The said water company was duly incorporated on or about the 12th day of September, 1887, under and in pursuance of the act of the Legislature of the State of New York, passed on the 17th day of February, 1848, entitled "An Act to authorize the formation of corporations for manufacturing, mining, mechanical or chemical purposes," and of the several acts of the said Legislature amendatory thereof; and

Whereas, The said water company is authorized and empowered by law, and more particularly by the provisions of chapter 985, Laws of 1895, entitled "An Act to limit and define the powers of the Ramapo Water Company," passed on the 11th day of June, 1895, to acquire such lands and waters along the sheds of the Ramapo, and along such other watersheds and their tributaries, as may be suitable for the purpose of accumulating, storing, deducting, selling, furnishing and supplying water for domestic and municipal purposes to any city, town and village, and may contract with any corporation in this State, public or private, to furnish water for the purposes mentioned; and

Whereas, The said water company has proposed to supply The City of New York with water from streams and lakes and their tributary watersheds in the State of New York, west of the Hudson river, to be delivered at a pressure at the place of delivery due to an elevation of three hundred feet above the mean tide level; and

Whereas, The City of New York is authorized, under the provision of chapter 985, section 3, Laws of 1895, to enter into a contract with said water company to furnish water for domestic and municipal purposes to said city for any length of time that may be deemed advisable; and

Whereas, The said Commissioner of Water Supply has duly examined into the sources of the water supply so proposed to be furnished by said water company, and has selected the Esopus and its tributary and connecting watersheds, and has determined that the supply from those sources will be adequate, and that water supplied from these sources will be pure and wholesome, and being drawn from mountainous and rocky areas very sparsely populated, is and will remain and continue to be free from contamination and pollution, and has determined that said water company is duly authorized by law to do whatever is necessary to enable it to furnish and deliver to The City of New York and to its inhabitants the quantity of water which the said water company hereafter agrees to furnish and deliver, at a pressure at the place of delivery due to an elevation of three hundred feet mean tide level; and

Whereas, Preliminary to the execution of this contract the provisions of this contract in all its details in form and substance as herein provided were submitted to the Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York, and the assent of said Board, after such submission to it, was given by resolution to the execution of such proposed contract as so submitted;

Now, therefore, this agreement witnesseth, that in consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained, and of one dollar (\$1) in hand paid by each party hereto to the other party hereto, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and in consideration of the construction by the said water company of the dams, reservoirs, conduits and pipelines necessary to carry out the covenants and conditions of the said water company herein contained, the parties hereto have covenanted, promised and agreed, and hereby covenant, promise and agree, the party of the first part for itself, its successors and assigns, and the party of the second part for itself and assigns, as follows:

1. The said water company, the party of the first part, will furnish, supply and deliver, by a gravity system of transmission, at its own cost and expense, water to be taken from the Esopus and its tributary and connecting watersheds west of the Hudson river and in the State of New York, to the party of the second part, The City of New York, at the time and place, and in the manner, and under the conditions hereinafter specified, and will accept as full compensation therefor the sum of seventy dollars (\$70) for each and every million gallons of such water so delivered.

2. The said water company hereby covenants and agrees that the water so furnished, supplied and delivered, shall not be drawn from any stream or lake the surface of which is at an elevation of less than four hundred and twenty feet above mean tide level, and that such water shall be of greater purity than the water supplied to The City of New York from the Croton and Long Island Watersheds, as shown by the average of the analysis of the water from these sheds taken from the distributing reservoirs within the cities, which have been made under the direction of the Health Officers of The City of New York and of the City of Brooklyn, during the past year, as shown by the public record as compared with the average of the analysis for a like period of the water to be furnished by the party of the second part, taken at the point of delivery to the City, to be made by the Health Officers of The City of New York or by the Commissioner of Water Supply of said city.

3. The said water company further covenants and agrees to furnish, supply and deliver to The City of New York two hundred million (200,000,000) gallons of such water, at a pressure due to an elevation of 300 feet above mean tide level, on and during each and every day for the period of forty years from and after the first day of , in the year 1902. Subject, however, to the right of The City of New York (through its Commissioner of Water Supply or his successor in office or position) to reduce the quantity of supply to such number of gallons as to his judgment may be required, upon notice thereof to the party of the first part, except as hereinafter otherwise excepted, conditioned and provided; and to deliver such water to the party of the first part at the northern boundary line of The City of New York at the point of intersection thereof with the new Croton Aqueduct.

4. The said water company hereby covenants and agrees that it will construct, maintain and operate all such reservoirs, conduits and pipe lines, as may be necessary to accumulate, store, furnish, supply and so deliver such water without cost or liability to The City of New York other than the payment of seventy dollars (\$70) for each and every million gallons of such water so furnished, supplied and delivered, as herein provided.

5. The City of New York, in consideration of the covenants, promises and agreements of the said water company herein contained, covenants and agrees to accept and receive such water as it may require, not exceeding two hundred million (200,000,000) gallons of such water so delivered by the said water company, on and during each and every day from and after the first day of in the year 1902, and The City of New York hereby covenants and agrees to pay, in regular quarterly payments, to the said water company, its successors and assigns, the sum of seventy dollars (\$70) for each and every million gallons of such water so delivered not exceeding 200,000,000 daily.

6. The City of New York agrees to authorize, and does hereby authorize, the said water company to act as the agent and representative of The City of New York, so far as it may lawfully do so, in doing whatever may be necessary for the fulfillment of this contract; provided and conditioned that The City of New York shall not incur, or be or become liable for, any cost or expenditure on account thereof or in connection therewith.

7. It is hereby agreed by and between the parties hereto that the agreement of the said water company to furnish, supply and deliver to The City of New York, and of The City of New York to accept, receive and pay for, not exceeding two hundred million (200,000,000) gallons of water on each and every day from and after the first day of 1902, as hereinbefore expressed, are made subject to and conditioned upon the further understanding and agreement, hereby made by and between the parties hereto that, in consideration of the promise of the said water company, hereby given, to expedite and hasten the completion of its works so as to enable it to deliver such water, or a part thereof, prior to that date, The City of New York hereby agrees to accept, receive and pay for, as hereinbefore provided, that quantity of water, or any part thereof, so required, whenever such water shall be furnished and delivered by the party of the first part prior to said date, upon the condition that the said water company shall notify the said Commissioner of Water Supply that it will deliver that quantity of water, or a part thereof, during the next ensuing year, giving in such notification the quantity to be delivered and the date or dates upon which the delivery of the quantity or quantities, if the quantity to be delivered daily is to be increased during the year, will commence; such notification to be so given not less than thirty days prior to the beginning of the year during which the delivery of such quantity of water, or a part thereof, shall be so commenced.

8. It is hereby agreed by and between the parties hereto that the time herein fixed for the delivery of such water as herein provided may be deferred, at the option of the said water company, for a period equal to the time during which the said water company shall be delayed or interfered with in the construction of the works necessary for the delivery of such water, by any injunction or legal proceeding, or by strikes of workmen, or by any other cause of delay not within the power of the said water company to remedy or overcome.

9. It is further understood and agreed by and between the parties hereto that the failure to deliver such water, or any part thereof, at any time after the commencement of such delivery, caused by an accident or injury to the works of the said water company, shall not invalidate this contract, provided such injury, or cause of failure, shall be repaired or removed by the said water company as soon as may be practicable, and that if the said water company cannot, by reason of such accident or injury, deliver the full quantity of two hundred million (200,000,000) gallons daily, The City of New York shall pay only for the quantity of water that can be delivered.

10. It is hereby further agreed by and between the parties hereto that this contract may be modified, altered or amended hereafter, in such manner as the parties may deem to be necessary or desirable.

11. The said water company covenants and agrees that no laborer, workman or mechanic who it may have in its employ, or in the employ of its sub-contractor or other person doing or contracting to do the whole or part of the work contemplated by this contract, shall be permitted or required to work more than eight hours in any one calendar day except in cases of extraordinary emergency caused by fire, flood or danger to life or property; and it is further covenanted and agreed that each such laborer, workman or mechanic employed by said water company, its sub-contractors or other person in, about or upon such public work, shall receive such wages as are provided for by chapter 415 of the Laws of 1897, as amended by chapter 567 of the Laws of 1899; and it is further covenanted and agreed that upon the failure to comply with the provisions of section 3, of chapter 567, of the Laws of 1899, this contract shall be void and of no effect.

The said Water Company shall furnish a bond to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for the faithful performance of the above agreement.

In witness whereof, the parties hereto, by their duly authorized officers, have respectfully signed the corporate seals of the parties hereto and fixed the corporate seals of the parties hereto, the day and the year first above written; and have duly executed this agreement in triplicate, one part of which is to remain with the Commissioner of Water Supply, one part to be filed with the Comptroller of The City of New York, and the third to be delivered to the party of the second part.

Signed and sealed in the presence of:

Approved as to form.

JOHN WHALEN, Corporation Counsel.

City of New York and County of New York, ss.:

On the day of 1899, before me personally came William Dalton, to me known and known to me to be the Commissioner of Water Supply of The City of New York, and the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and who acknowledged to me that he executed the same as such Commissioner of Water Supply of The City of New York for the purpose herein mentioned.

City of New York and County of New York, ss.:

On this day of 1899, before me personally came to me known and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and who acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purpose herein mentioned.

In connection with the foregoing, the following report from the Commissioner of Water Supply was read:

DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY, }
NEW YORK, August 9, 1899. }

Hon. MAURICE F. HOLAHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements:

DEAR SIR—The present condition of the water supply of Greater New York, and those which confront us in the near future, impose on this administration the imperative duty of taking prompt and decisive action to remedy existing deficiencies, and to secure to the people an adequate supply of pure and wholesome water, such as a great city requires for the preservation and promotion of the public health, for the fullest possible protection of property and lives from the ravages and dangers of fire, for the support and encouragement of industries, and for domestic necessities and comfort. The duty thus imposed upon me as Commissioner of Water Supply, and upon your Board as the municipal body which has the power to authorize me to take the necessary remedial measures, cannot safely be put off.

Although the conditions to which I refer have in part or in whole been set forth in my official reports and communications to his Honor the Mayor, and published in the CITY RECORD and in printed documents, I deem it proper to present herewith a concise statement of the statement of the situation.

The full normal capacity of the public water supply of the Borough of Brooklyn is 93,000,000 gallons per day for a population now estimated conservatively at 1,200,000. It has so remained for more than five years without additions or improvements, while the population and the demands on the water service have been constantly growing. About three-fifths of the supply is obtained from flowing streams and from ponds; the other two-fifths, or about 40,000,000 gallons per day, has to be pumped out of the soil from driven wells. The objections to a water supply for a great city population from deep wells are too well known to need reiteration here. The entire supply, even that from the flowing streams and ponds, has to be pumped a height of 170 feet into the Ridgewood Reservoir for distribution through the water-mains, and some of it an additional height of 50 feet into the Mount Prospect Reservoir, and 80 feet more into the Mount Prospect tower in order to gain sufficient pressure to deliver the water in houses on high ground.

If the people of the Borough of Brooklyn are to be supplied with water at the same rate per capita as the people of the boroughs of Manhattan and The Bronx, they would now need a daily supply of 150,000,000 gallons. This would require an immediate addition of 57,000,000 gallons per day from new sources, and if the undesirable and unreliable supply from driven wells is to be eliminated, we would have to obtain 97,000,000 gallons per day to bring the Brooklyn water supply up to the standard of the supply in Manhattan and The Bronx.

In the Borough of Queens, where the City owns three pumping-stations in Long Island City, one at College Point, one at Flushing and one at Whitestone, with systems of distributing mains, the conditions are even worse. The entire supply is obtained from deep wells, some of which are in such close proximity to the shore of the East river or Long Island Sound that the pumping of water from them has to be carefully limited to prevent the drawing of an admixture of salt water, which would render the entire supply unpotable and unfit for use. Some of the other wells are in surroundings where there is a constant increase in population and buildings which will in a short time compel the abandonment of the wells in consequence of pollution from house drainage. The wells and plans are now worked to their maximum capacity, producing a supply of 3,350,000 gallons per day. This supply is manifestly and absolutely inadequate even for the present population and number of water consumers, much less for extensions of the public water service into new streets and territory for which requests are constantly received from property-owners. It would be profitable to the City and highly advantageous to the population in the water districts of Long Island City, College Point, Flushing and Whitestone, if we were in a position to at once increase the daily water supply to five or six million gallons, and have the facilities to continue increasing it, so that we could encourage instead of retarding private enterprise and investments in household property by responding to all reasonable demands for extension of the water service, and giving assurance that the water supply shall be sufficient for domestic and industrial uses, for fire protection, and for the protection of the public health.

In accordance with these views I estimate the present necessities for public water supply in the Borough of Queens at six million gallons per day. When the projects for connecting the borough with Manhattan Island by bridges are carried out, the population within the present public water districts, Long Island, College Point, Flushing and Whitestone, will increase at a much

larger ratio than in any other section of Greater New York, and the demands for water supply will increase in proportion. Therefore, in the estimate which I give below, I assume the needs of water supply for these water districts at six million gallons per day at the present time, and the rate of annual increase required at 20 per cent.

It is a mistaken idea or theory which many people may entertain, that the boroughs of Manhattan and The Bronx are not in need of prompt action and measures to increase the water supply, and more especially the pressure and elevation at which water can be delivered in the houses and for extinguishing fires. While the entire supply from the Croton, Bronx and Byram watersheds comes into the city reservoirs by gravity, or natural flow, the elevation at which it can be delivered in houses from the distributing mains is limited to 119 feet above mean-tide, and in many localities the elevation of delivery is less. As early as 1870 it became necessary to resort to steam pumping machinery to deliver the water in houses on higher ground, beginning with a small pumping station at Highbridge, with a daily capacity of 2,500,000 gallons. The growth in population and buildings in the high-service districts has been such that up to date the capacity of the high service supply had to be increased to 55,000,000 gallons per day by the establishment of two additional pumping stations, and the purchase and erection of additional pumping machinery. The demand for high service supply continues to grow at a constantly increasing rate, so that this Department is compelled to make, and does make, plans and preparations from time to time to increase the capacity of the pumping machinery.

In the Borough of The Bronx there is as yet no high service, and the consequence is that the Department is unable to properly supply houses on University Heights, Morris Heights, Woodlawn Heights and other elevated sections of the borough, giving rise to many and justifiable complaints that the house-owners and residents in these locations are unfairly treated and neglected as to their rights for a fair water supply.

In less than five years from now the water supply for Manhattan and The Bronx will be deficient in quantity, as well as in pressure or in elevation of delivery. The average daily consumption for the past six months is 265,000,000 gallons, and the maximum during the hot days of June and July was 286,000,000 gallons, which is an increase of 30,000,000 gallons over the maximum consumption last year, or nearly twelve per cent. The combined capacity of the old and new Croton Aqueducts and the Bronx river conduit, which are now the only means of conveying water to these boroughs, is 400,000,000 gallons per day. Therefore, at the present rate of increase in consumption, the limit of capacity of the present water system will be reached in four years or less, and on an increase of ten per cent. per annum, it will be reached in less than five years.

The following figures show in the most concise form the present rate of supply and consumption of water in the four boroughs, and the increase which will be needed in four years and in ten years from this date, calculated at ten per cent. per annum (except for the Borough of Queens), which is a very conservative estimate, amply supported by past experience:

Borough of Brooklyn.

	Gallons.
Present supply and consumption	93,000,000
Increase required in four years (1903)	43,161,000
Increase required in ten years (1909)	168,218,000

Boroughs of Manhattan and The Bronx.

	Gallons.
Present supply and consumption	265,000,000
Increase required in four years (1904)	122,986,000
Increase required in ten years (1909)	422,341,000

Borough of Queens.

	Gallons.
Present supply, 3,350,000 gallons; supply actually needed	6,000,000
Increase required in four years (at 20 per cent. per annum)	11,450,000
Increase required in ten years	53,000,000
Total increase required in four years	177,597,000
Total increase required in ten years	640,559,000

Treating on needs for more and better water supply for the four boroughs as a whole, or each one separately, I can say that this is not the first presentation of the urgent necessity of prompt action to secure such increase.

As I have already stated in this communication, the official reports of the Department of City Works of Brooklyn for several years prior to 1898 are replete with evidence that the water system of that borough needs expansion and improvement.

In respect to the boroughs of Manhattan and The Bronx your Board received in June of last year a communication or petition from the New York Board of Fire Underwriters, making a most forcible appeal for a larger water supply which can be brought to the city at such elevation or under such pressure that it can be delivered through the distributing mains and in houses to the top story of every building except the very high office and business buildings, without the necessity and expense of pumping either by the City at the high-service stations or by the owners or tenants of buildings. The demands made in that communication or petition are summarized as follows:

- "Protection against fire throughout the city.
- "A more efficient supply to the modern high buildings which represent large and rapidly increasing values.
- "A general supply to all buildings of ordinary height without private pumping; and
- "Pure mountain water, in sufficient quantity to prevent scarcity in case of accident to the present system of reservoirs and aqueducts."

Petitions of the same purport and the same urgency were presented to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund in September, 1895, from fire underwriters, real estate owners and agents, bankers, hotel keepers and others, with resolutions of the Board of Trade and Transportation and the Chamber of Commerce.

It must be borne in mind that these petitions, which relate more particularly to the water supply of the boroughs of Manhattan and The Bronx, though they have the intention and object of securing better water service for the entire Greater New York, have been presented since the acquisition of a large additional supply through the New Croton Aqueduct, which came into use in July, 1890.

Prior to that, in 1883, when the plans for the New Croton Aqueduct had been made, and its construction assured, a Merchants' Committee, of which such prominent citizens as Cornelius N. Bliss, William L. Strong, John Claflin, Charles S. Smith and William E. Tefft were members, appointed at a mass meeting of business men, petitioned the Legislature for the enactment of a law that would enable the City to obtain by contract a supply of pure and wholesome water from the mountain streams and lakes west of the Hudson river to supplement the Croton system. These eminent and representative citizens of New York evidently foresaw the inadequacy of the Croton, Bronx and Byram river systems to supply the future needs of the old City of New York, now boroughs of Manhattan and The Bronx, and that these systems would always lack the element of giving sufficient elevation of delivery of the water to furnish at all times sufficient pressure for the extinguishment of fire and to do away with private pumping in houses.

These petitioners pointed to the mountainous region west of the Hudson river as the best, most available, most reliable and most economical source of water supply for the future needs of the City for years to come, and to the superior quality of the water which can be obtained from that region, as compared with the water from all the present sources of supply, and from other sources which are practically available.

I find these views confirmed by the judgment of eminent engineers. For the purpose of making some personal observations and obtaining practical knowledge of the conditions and capacities of the available watersheds in the hills and mountains west of the Hudson river, I made a tour of examination, in which I was accompanied by you, as President and representative of the Board of Public Improvements, and four engineers of high standing, including the Chief Engineer of this Department and the Chief Engineer of your Board.

The territory which we visited and examined covers part of the district known as the Highlands of the Hudson, and part of that which is generally described as the Catskill Mountains. The Highlands district may, for convenience be called the Fort Montgomery Watershed. The section of the Catskill Mountains which we visited and examined embraces the valley of Esopus creek, the upper water of Schoharie creek and the head waters of the east branch of the Delaware river. It presents the very great advantage of a large number of natural sites for storage reservoirs which can be made available with comparatively small cost for the construction of dams, sluices, etc.

The following is a brief description of the reservoir sites which we examined, commencing at the southern end of the watersheds.

The Fort Montgomery reservoir site is about forty miles from the city, and two miles west of the Hudson river. It has an elevation of 400 feet above tide level, will flood about 150 acres in area, and has a watershed of about 45 square miles.

The Popolo Reservoir site has an elevation of 500 feet above tide, and an area of about 250 acres.

The Mine Pond, five miles from the Hudson, has a natural flood area of ten acres, 600 feet above tide.

Lake Popolopen, five and one-half miles from the Hudson, is more than two miles long and one thousand feet wide, with an elevation of 650 feet above tide.

Lake Hill Reservoir site can be flooded to an area of 300 acres at 1,050 feet elevation above tide.

Coal Brook Reservoir in the Esopus valley can be made to contain fifteen billions gallons of water, at an elevation of 675 feet.

The Olive Reservoir site can be made to impound seven billions gallons.

The aggregate area of the watersheds referred to is over 1,400 square miles. Official records, kept for the last 26 years, show that the rainfall in this region average fifteen per cent. greater than the rainfall in the Croton watershed. The population averages not more than ten to the square mile. The geological and topographical features assume a larger yield, or percentage of yield, than could be obtained for a portable water supply in a less mountainous, more populated and more agricultural territory, such as the Croton watershed.

All these conditions confirm the estimate that these watersheds are capable of furnishing ultimately a daily water supply of 900,000,000 gallons of the purest quality which can be obtained anywhere in the State of New York.

Other sources for an additional supply have been suggested from time to time, none of which present the same combination of amplitude, reliability, excellence of quality of the water, economy of cost, susceptibility of gradual development by gradual increase of the supply to be obtained in conformity with the growing needs of the City.

From the Ten Mile river in the Housatonic watershed a daily supply of 110,000,000 gallons might be obtained. If this supply was led into the Croton Aqueducts it would fail to give the much needed increase of pressure and elevation in the delivery of the water. To obtain a higher elevation of delivery from this source a new aqueduct or conduit would have to be built from that watershed to the city at a cost of \$40,000,000 or more. The water would be inferior in quality, because the watershed contains a great number of factories and dwellings, has a large population which is constantly increasing, and gradual pollution of the water would certainly ensue.

Lake George, Lake Ontario and Lake Champlain have been suggested as practically inexhaustible sources of supply. A supply from Lake George would flow by gravity to tide level at New York, where it would have to be pumped to the required elevation. The construction of the necessary work to obtain a large supply would cost not less than \$200,000,000. A supply from Lake Champlain would flow by gravity to Troy, where it would have to be pumped 250 feet high in order to reach tide level at New York, and then again pumped to required elevation.

A supply from Lake Ontario would flow by gravity to Albany, where it would have to be pumped 230 feet high in order to flow by gravity to tide level at New York, where it must again be pumped to the required elevation.

To convey a water supply from any one of these three lakes would require the building of tunnels, respectively 10, 56, and 50 miles in length, to pass the intervening ridges of hills, or immense pumping machinery to raise and pass the water over the ridges.

A gravity supply could be obtained from the Adirondacks under pressure equal to that to be obtained from the watersheds west of the Hudson, but the necessary works of construction would probably cost not less than \$500,000,000, and could not be completed in less than twelve years.

The facts again demonstrate the superiority of the watersheds west of the Hudson as a source of water supply for The City of New York.

I now come to the question of cost, and of the time within which a large addition to the water supply can most speedily be obtained. Both of these questions are of paramount importance in the consideration of the subject.

I will first deal with the question of time, taking it for granted that the watersheds of the Hudson Highlands and the Catskill mountains, as above described, will be chosen as the source of supply.

If the City were to undertake acquisition of the necessary lands and water rights, and the construction of the dams, reservoirs, tunnels and conduits to convey the water to the distributing mains in the city, it would have to go through the process—

First—Obtain authority for the necessary bond issues through the Board of Estimate and Apportionment and the Municipal Assembly.

Second—Employ a large corps of engineers, surveyors and draughtsmen to make detailed surveys and maps of every parcel of land, every mill right and right of way.

Third—File copies of these maps in the office of the County Clerk of each county included in the watershed and along the conduit which is to convey the water to the city and in the several offices in the city where the law requires such maps to be filed.

Fourth—Apply to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners of Appraisal to determine he damages to be paid for the taking of lands, etc., or obtain the lands, water rights and rights of way by negotiations and purchase with and from each individual owner, and then only with the consent and approval of the Comptroller.

Fifth—Employ engineers to make elaborate detail plans and estimates of constructions, so as to be prepared to advertise for proposals from contractors to do the work.

Sixth—Advertise the contracts for public letting, make awards to the lowest bidders at public letting, provided they furnish satisfactory sureties to the required amounts.

Seventh—Take the risk that the contractor or contractors to whom the work is awarded are dilatory and slow in the performance of the work, or otherwise violate the conditions of their contract, or totally abandon their works or contracts, or compel the City to declare the contracts abandoned, and to resort to readvertisement and reletting to new contractors with the same risk.

The records of the public works of the City are full of illustrations of the delays which seem to be inseparable from the prosecution of large public improvements of the magnitude of the one which is the subject of this communication. I have shown in the foregoing part of this communication that the boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens are in need of additions to their water supply even at this day, and that the boroughs of Manhattan and The Bronx will need additional water supply before the expiration of five years. I have the conviction, based on past experience in city affairs, that under the most favorable circumstances the City could not accomplish the completion of the necessary work of construction, and all the other incidental measures, in a shorter period than seven years. An example of this may be found in the time which elapsed between the creation of the Board of Aqueduct Commissioners, in June, 1883, and the completion of the New Aqueduct, so that it could be brought into use in July, 1890.

As to the Question of Cost.—If the City undertakes the work itself it must build so that the addition to the water supply shall be assured for a series of years after the completion of the works, which means that it must build reservoirs and conduits of sufficient capacity to guarantee an additional supply of not less than 600,000,000 gallons per day, and must be ready to make bond issues to an amount of not less than \$70,000,000, and possibly \$100,000,000. This great municipality is confronted with a financial condition which makes such bond issues for water supply purposes alone impossible, unless it be done with the exclusion of all other necessary public improvements which are payable from bonds, such as parks, school-houses, bridges, etc., etc.

These considerations as to cost and time lead me to the presentation of the recommendation which I will now make, and in making it I desire to again emphasize the seriousness of the situation, which makes time precious and prompt action imperative.

It is not necessary that the City commit itself to a bond issue in this case, or that it shall incur any expenditure. Private capital stands ready to construct the works and furnish the water without obligation or cost to the City, except to pay for the water when delivered. A proposal has been presented by a responsible company to furnish the needed water supply at a pressure due to an elevation of three hundred feet, or more if desired, above tide level. By act of the Legislature this company is authorized to contract with the City of New York to furnish such a water supply. The proposal is to deliver to the city, at its northern limit, not less than 200,000,000 gallons of water per day, within five years from the date of the acceptance of the proposal, at \$70 per million gallons. The company has taken all necessary legal steps to secure this water supply, and such additions to it as the city will need, above 200,000,000 gallons per day, as the watersheds of the Hudson Highlands and part of the Catskill Mountains, already described, can yield. I am satisfied of the competency and reliability of the company to carry out this proposal, and I am also satisfied that under the existing conditions, as herein stated, it will be advantageous to accept the proposal. The lowest rates at which this City sells water to consumers by measurement is the Brooklyn meter rate of 7½ cents per one hundred cubic feet, or \$100 per million gallons. This leaves a quite sufficient margin between the price asked by this water company and the lowest rate charged by the City to consumers, to more than pay for the cost of distributing the water to consumers through the mains and collecting the water rents.

The company is not seeking a municipal franchise. It does not propose to sell water to the residents of this city. It will deliver the water to the city and the city will distribute it through its mains in the same manner as the public water supply in the several boroughs is now distributed, and the City will collect the water rents as heretofore.

I submit herewith for approval by your Board a contract with the Ramapo Water Company, on the basis of the company's proposal, and approved as to form by the Corporation Counsel.

Very respectfully,

WILLIAM DALTON, Commissioner of Water Supply.

The Commissioner of Bridges moved that the matter be laid over for four weeks, which motion was lost by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Comptroller, Commissioner of Street Cleaning, Commissioner of Bridges, Commissioner of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, President of the Borough of Queens and President of the Borough of Richmond—6.

Negative—Commissioner of Water Supply, Commissioner of Highways, Commissioner of Sewers, President of the Borough of Manhattan, President of the Borough of The Bronx and President of the Board—6.

A motion to lay the matter over for three weeks was lost by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Comptroller, Commissioner of Street Cleaning, Commissioner of Bridges, Commissioner of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, President of the Borough of Queens and President of the Borough of Richmond—6.

Negative—Commissioner of Water Supply, Commissioner of Highways, Commissioner of Sewers, President of the Borough of Manhattan, President of the Borough of The Bronx and President of the Board—6.

At the suggestion of the President of the Board, the matter was laid over for two weeks, pending a report from the Comptroller, the Commissioner of Highways and the Commissioner of Water Supply voting in the negative.

SUPREME COURT—KINGS COUNTY.

Edward M. Grout, as President of the Borough of Brooklyn, and as taxpayer in The City of New York,

vs.

Maurice F. Holahan, William Dalton, James P. Keating, James Kane, James McCartney, Henry S. Kearny, James J. Coogan, John Whalen, Robert A. Van Wyck, John L. Shea, Bird S. Coler, Louis F. Haffen, Frederick Bowley and George Cromwell, constituting, with the plaintiff, the Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York.

City of New York, County of Kings, ss.:

Edward M. Grout, being duly sworn, says that, except the facts stated in the complaint herein are alleged on information and belief, they are true to his own knowledge, such knowledge being derived from his being present at the meetings of the Board of Public Improvements when the various communications and offers referred to were received and read.

That his information concerning the occurrences of August 16, 1899, and August 30, 1899, is derived from the official minutes of the Board of Public Improvements, and also from the statements made by members of the Board, such as Commissioner Shea and Comptroller Coler, who opposed said contract.

That his information that the notice of hearing of June 14, 1898, directed to be sent to all the companies, was sent only to the Ramapo Company is derived from a statement made by Mr. Holahan at a public session of the Legislative Investigating Committee in September last, when deponent was a witness on the stand, and the said Holahan rose in his seat and made the statement that, although the notice was for all the companies, it was only sent to the Ramapo Company. That was the first time deponent had ever heard the same, and such fact has never been communicated to the Board except as they may have been present at such meeting of the Legislative Investigating Committee in September last, or may have read the same in the newspapers or have been privately informed thereof by Mr. Holahan.

That on August 30, 1899, as deponent has been informed through the public press, and as is a matter of common knowledge two actions were brought to enjoin the making of such contract, one at the instance of Comptroller Coler, and the other at the instance of the New York "World" newspaper, and temporary injunction orders obtained, and the motion to continue such injunctions has been argued and is now awaiting decision, and decision thereon is expected at an early date. That neither of such actions proceeded upon the grounds stated in the complaint herein, but upon entirely different grounds, and chiefly upon the question of whether or not it was not more advisable for the City to supply its own water than to make any contract, and whether any contract could be made by the Commissioner of Water Supply and the Board of Public Improvements prior to the authorization thereof by the Municipal Assembly and the appropriation therefor by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, which grounds are not involved in this suit.

That deponent's information as to the offer of the Ramapo Water Company made to the City of Brooklyn in 1887 is as follows: The minutes of the Common Council of the said city shows that such an offer was received and was renewed in 1880. The newspapers of the City of Brooklyn, on November 29, 1887, published a copy of a portion of the Ramapo Water Company's offer, including the part stating that they were ready to deliver twenty million gallons of water daily and an increased supply as required at the Brooklyn city line within 24 months from the date of the contract, and to make a contract for ten years at an annual payment of a sum 20 per cent. less than the cost of water to the City of Brooklyn in 1885. That from the records of the Water Supply Department and from the report of the Department of City Works having charge of the water supply of Brooklyn, it appears that the cost of water in the year 1885 to the City of Brooklyn at the Ridgewood Reservoir was \$56.38 per million gallons, 80 per cent. of which is the sum stated in the complaint, to wit \$45.10. Other information on such subject in the possession of deponent is from the report on the future extension of the water supply of the City of Brooklyn made to the Common Council by the Hon. Alfred T. White, Commissioner of City Works, on January 1, 1896, wherein he says the following:

"There remains the question of public versus private ownership of water works. Offers have from time to time been informally made to the city of a supply by private companies. A formal proposition was made by the 'Ramapo Water Company' to the Common Council in 1887, and is mentioned in the minutes of November 28 of that year, where it is stated that it was referred to the Water and Drainage Committee of the Board. It was not printed in the minutes, nor have I been able to find the original document, but the report of Chief Engineer Van Buren, in 1888, contains the following comment:

"It may be proper in this connection to allude to what is known as the Ramapo plan, by which it is proposed that a private company shall sell to the city the water required from the Ramapo watershed. The plans and details have not been officially submitted to me, and I cannot, therefore, discuss the proposition fully. I believe, however, that the proposition is to furnish within two years twenty million gallons of water daily for \$430,000 per year."

"The above figures are equivalent to a price of \$58.90 per million gallons, at Ridgewood Reservoir. * * * These prices covered only the cost of the supply in bulk, not including any of the expense of distributing it through the city."

This information differs from the computation above set forth, and still shows a price of some \$12 per million gallons less than the present price proposed to be paid to the Ramapo Company, and is for water delivered many miles further than they now propose to deliver it, for which additional distance the company would have been compelled to construct an aqueduct under the East river.

Deponent's information that the Ramapo Water Company is not now engaged in the business of selling and supplying water and has no pipes, aqueducts or reservoirs is derived from the statements made in answer to questions put by deponent and Commissioner Shea at the hearing where the Ramapo Company attended before the Board of Public Improvements on June 14, 1898, as well as by the sworn statements which deponent heard Silas B. Dutcher, the president of the said Ramapo Company, make in September last before the Legislative Investigating Committee.

Deponent's information that a large quantity of water can be furnished at smaller cost proportionately than a smaller quantity is derived not only from the various offers made by other water companies to the Board of Public Improvements, but also from the sworn statements made by General Benjamin F. Tracy before the said Legislative Committee in October last, said General Tracy having been at one time the president of said Ramapo Water Company.

Deponent further says that the defendants, Dalton and Holahan, have openly professed themselves ready to proceed with the said contract and convinced of the propriety of executing the same; and while some members of the Board are opposed to the same, there are others who agree with said Holahan and Dalton, and deponent believes that if the injunctions now standing against the same which are about to be determined at an early date should be vacated the said contract would be brought to a vote and probably passed at the earliest possible date.

No other previous application for a temporary injunction has been made in this action.

EDWARD M. GROUT.

Sworn to before me November 8, 1899.

SAMUEL K. KELLOCK, Commissioner of Deeds

for The City of New York, Residing in the Borough of Brooklyn.

SUPREME COURT—KINGS COUNTY.

Edward M. Grout, as President of the Borough of Brooklyn, and as a taxpayer in The City of New York,

vs.

Maurice F. Holahan, William Dalton, James P. Keating, James Kane, James McCartney, Henry S. Kearny, James J. Coogan, John Whalen, Robert A. Van Wyck, John L. Shea, Bird S. Coler, Louis F. Haffen, Frederick Bowley and George Cromwell, constituting, with the plaintiff, the Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York.

The above-named plaintiff, having applied to one of the Justices of this Court for an injunction in the above-entitled action, restraining the defendants, constituting the Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York, from assenting to the execution of a contract for the supply of water by the Ramapo Water Company, and the defendant Dalton, Commissioner of Water Supply, from executing the said contract or any contract with said Ramapo Water Company as therein mentioned,

Now, therefore, pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, we, James W. Stevenson, of No. 847 Greene avenue, in the Borough of Brooklyn, City of New York, and Harvey O. Dobson, of No. 2108 Newkirk avenue, in the said Borough of Brooklyn, City of New

York, do jointly and severally undertake, in the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, that the plaintiff will pay to the defendants so enjoined such damages, not exceeding the before-mentioned sum, as they may sustain by reason of the injunction, if the court finally decides that the plaintiff was not entitled thereto; such damages to be ascertained and determined by the court or by a referee appointed by the court, or by a writ of inquiry, or otherwise, as the court shall direct.

Dated, Brooklyn, November 8, 1899.

City of New York, County of Kings, ss.:

On this 8th day of November, 1899, before me personally came James W. Stevenson and Harvey O. Dobson, to me known and known to me to be the individuals described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and they severally acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

SAMUEL K. KELLOCK, Commissioner of Deeds
for The City of New York, residing in the Borough of Brooklyn.

City of New York, County of Kings, ss.:

James W. Stevenson, being duly sworn, says that he is a resident and a householder within the State of New York, and is worth twice the sum specified in the above undertaking over all the debts and liabilities which he owes or has incurred, and exclusive of property exempt by law from levy and sale under an execution.

J. W. STEVENSON.

Sworn to before me November 8, 1899.

SAMUEL K. KELLOCK, Commissioner of Deeds
for The City of New York, Residing in the Borough of Brooklyn.

City of New York, County of Kings, ss.:

Harvey O. Dobson, being duly sworn, says that he is a resident and a householder within the State of New York, and is worth twice the sum specified in the above undertaking, over and above all debts and liabilities which he owes or has incurred, and exclusive of property exempt by law from levy and sale under an execution.

HARVEY O. DOBSON.

Sworn to before me November 8, 1899.

SAMUEL K. KELLOCK, Commissioner of Deeds
for The City of New York, residing in the Borough of Brooklyn.

Approved:

WILMOT M. SMITH,
J. S. C.

The following communication from the Merchants' Association was placed on file:

MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK,
NEW YORK LIFE BUILDING,
NEW YORK, November 1, 1899.

To the Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York:

GENTLEMEN—The proposed contract between The City of New York and the Ramapo Water Company, submitted for your assent August 16, by the Commissioner of Water Supply, and now awaiting your action (contingent upon the dissolution of the restraining injunction granted at the instance of the Comptroller), is supported by a memorial, bearing date of June 10, 1898, and signed by J. Montgomery Hare, as President of the New York Board of Fire Underwriters.

Attached to that memorial, and forming part of it, are several petitions, numerous signed, bearing various dates in 1895 and 1896, and addressed to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund. The subject matter of these petitions is the urgent need of an increased, independent and high pressure water supply. No suggestions are made as to the source of the desired supply.

Two other petitions, bearing no date, and also numerous signed, and an address, signed by and on behalf of committees representing mercantile and insurance interests, are also appended. These were addressed to the Legislature. The petitions prayed for legislation that would make provision for fire protection by a special high pressure water service from the streams of Orange and Rockland counties. No mention was made of any specific plan in the petitions, but casual reference was made to a report upon which the petitions assumed to be based.

The address alleges the need of a high pressure water supply for better fire protection, indicates the mountainous region west of the Hudson as the desirable source of supply, states that private capital will construct the necessary works, and concludes "The permission of the Legislature to obtain such relief in the best and quickest manner possible is all that is asked."

These two petitions and the address last mentioned are part of a series of twelve similar petitions. The first bears date May 21, 1895, and the six following bear dates of May, July and August, 1895; the eighth is dated December 2, 1896. The last three are undated. The proper date, in fact, is 1883.

On the first page of Mr. Hare's memorial of June 10, 1898, the following reference is made to certain appended prior petitions:

"Petitions representing thirty thousand million dollars in property values * * * were presented to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund in September, 1895, copies of which are herewith submitted * * *"

Mr. Hare's memorial, on page 2, alludes to a similar movement in 1883, and states that petitions were then drawn, but he does not state that such petitions are appended to his present memorial. No allusion is made to any exhibits in any part of his memorial, save that on page 1. No distinction is made in the petitions which he appends to indicate that the last three, which are undated, are not those referred to in the quotation above, taken from page 1 of Mr. Hare's memorial.

On page 8 Mr. Hare says:

"The Ramapo Water Company was organized to carry out the purpose of the business men and property owners who inaugurated the movement to obtain a supplemental water supply, sufficient for all needs, to be furnished by gravity from an elevation sufficient to give a pressure adequate for a special fire service."

In his report to your Board under date of August 9, Water Commissioner Dalton quotes the memorials and petitions cited as a reason why a contract should be entered into with the Ramapo Water Company.

We submit herewith letters from 323 firms, corporations and individuals whose names were signed to the various memorials and petitions set forth, authorizing this Association to withdraw their signatures from the memorials now before the Board of Public Improvements, pending full and proper investigation of the whole subject.

Their signatures were appended to former petitions and memorials for the purpose of procuring an ample and proper water supply, and not for the purpose of endorsing a specific contract. It is not the intent of those for whom we speak to have their former signatures used for the present purpose, and in most cases the letters which we submit express disapproval of the proposed contract.

This association has nearly 1,200 members, comprising the most important business and property interests in this city. Its members are vitally interested in having an efficient water supply, but they are no less interested, as taxpayers from whose property is drawn a very large part of the public revenue necessary for the conduct of the city government, in economical use of the city's resources, and in due protection of public franchises.

There is very grave question indeed as to the propriety and expediency of the proposed contract. This association has for some time had in progress an examination into the facts, and it is satisfied that adequate protection of the public interests requires a fuller and more impartial investigation than has as yet been made. For this a reasonable time is essential. We, therefore, request that your Honorable Board will pass a resolution in proper form which shall effectively cause all action in this matter to be suspended to some distant date, in order that the taxpayers of this city may take proper action to make clear all the facts that should be known as a proper basis for final action in so important a public matter.

In addition to the letters submitted herewith, we are in communication, so far as possible, with other signers and will from time to time file their authorization for the withdrawal of their signatures as fast as received.

We also bring to your notice that we have been unable to find the present addresses of 271 of the signers of the previous petitions, that a very large number of these represent firms that have been long out of existence, or persons now dead.

Very truly yours,

THE MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK,
By WILLIAM F. KING, President.

The communications referred to in the above letter, and attached thereto, were placed on file.

The following communication from the Merchants' Association was read:

MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK LIFE BUILDING,
NEW YORK, November 1, 1899.

Hon. MAURICE F. HOLAHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements, New York, N. Y.:

DEAR SIR—At the conference of this morning between yourself and Messrs. Mead, Corwine and De Berard, representing this association, in relation to the Ramapo water contract, you stated your position, which we understand to be as follows:

1. That a portion of the city is in urgent need of an increased water supply.
2. That you favor municipal ownership, if it will supply water; but, if it will not, you favor a contract with a private corporation.
3. That the city is financially unable, so far as you understand, to construct the needed reservoirs, aqueducts, etc., unless other necessary improvements are abandoned.

4. That, therefore, you advocate the proposed or some other contract as the only practicable way for procuring speedy relief for a pressing public need.

You further stated that, while reports and statements in opposition to the Ramapo contract had been prominently and fully set forth in the public press, the reasons given by you, which tended to show that the proposed contract was a prudent measure, made necessary by the actual conditions as they now exist, have not been fully understood, and that, therefore, public opinion has thereby been biased; that your convictions rest upon a thorough knowledge of the entire situation, due to a study of the water question during many years, made necessary by your long employment in the Water Department; that you feel the gravity of the situation; that no one questions but that some prompt steps should be taken to provide additional water in some manner, but that, at the same time, you feel that it will be the part of wisdom to defer any definite action on the Ramapo contract until ample time is given to determine if municipal ownership is possible or practicable.

In view of the reasonableness of your position, if it be found that it is not based upon any misapprehension of the facts, and your further statements that those actual facts are not yet promptly before the public, we suggest that any undue prejudice which now exists against this contract may be removed by an unbiased examination into the present condition of New York's water supply, the need for an increase, the available sources, and the ability of the city to speedily construct its own works.

There is very little dissent in any quarter from the proposition that a more plentiful water supply is desirable, or even necessary; that an independent system at a high pressure is likewise desirable; that the Highlands and Catskill regions are excellent and available sources for that supply; and, if it shall likewise appear that municipal ownership is not practicable under existing conditions, then a proper contract that shall duly protect the public interest would undoubtedly receive hearty public support.

This association will undertake, with the concurrence of the Board of Public Improvements, to make such an examination and at as early a date as practicable, to render such reports as shall make entirely clear to the public the true facts and expediency of the proposed contract, and it will support such a line of action as shall insure an ample water supply to be speedily procured by the best means that may be available.

If, however, as the result of such an unbiased examination, it shall appear that the proposed contract is prejudicial to this City's interests, this Association will oppose it to the utmost of its powers, both in the courts and before the Legislature, if necessary.

The substance of our conversation with you this morning was to the effect that such an examination as proposed, if entered upon without bias, and conducted in a spirit of sincerity, with the sole purpose of presenting the true facts, and thereby aiding the betterment of the city's water supply, would receive every possible assistance from your Department, and that you would favor a postponement of all action on the subject by the Board of Public Improvements for a sufficient time to permit such examination by us.

We desire to express our cordial appreciation of the spirit shown by you, and of your manifested desire to secure a better water supply for this city, and shall gladly give you our sincere support in accomplishing that end by all proper means.

In case our suggestions are acceptable to you, we will cause the appointment of a committee to conduct the actual examination, and shall expect to have free access to all data in your Department, and such information as may be within the power of your engineers to supply. We suggest, say, sixty days as a proper time in which to perform the work, and if our proffer is acceptable to you and your colleagues, we shall be pleased to have a formal resolution passed by the Board of Public Improvements covering the purpose intended. We shall also be pleased to have from you, or from your colleagues, any suggestions, either verbally or by letter, that will further the public purpose which is common both to your Board and this Association.

Very respectfully yours,

THE MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK,
By WILLIAM F. KING, President.

On motion of the Deputy Commissioner of Bridges, the following resolution was adopted: Resolved, That the whole matter of this correspondence in connection with the Merchants' Association be referred to the Commissioner of Water Supply, with instructions to enter into correspondence with the persons who have presented this communication, and to ascertain from them such information as they may have upon the subject, and that he use it to the best advantage in making up his report upon the matter to this Board.

Adjourned.

Attest:

JOHN H. MOONEY, Secretary.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

CITY OF NEW YORK—OFFICE OF THE MAYOR.

APPOINTMENT MADE BY THE MAYOR.

NOVEMBER 13, 1899.

Thomas F. Gunn, a Marshal of The City of New York, in place of Richard Wright, of the Borough of Brooklyn, resigned, and for the unexpired term of said Richard Wright.

To the Supervisor of the City Record, City Hall, New York City:

DEAR SIR—I am directed by the Mayor to transmit to you, for publication in the CITY RECORD, the above memorandum of an appointment made by him this day.

Yours very respectfully,

ALFRED M. DOWNES, Secretary to the Mayor.

CITY OF NEW YORK—OFFICE OF THE MAYOR.

APPOINTMENTS MADE BY THE MAYOR.

NOVEMBER 11, 1899.

Inspectors of Weights and Measures.

Patrick J. McEvilly	First District.
Thomas F. Morgan	Second "
Joseph Fitzgerald	Third "
Cornelius A. Sturla	Fourth "
Thomas Hyland	Fifth "
Frederick H. Tighe	Sixth "
George W. Hart	Seventh "
Elwood Hanson	Eighth "
Charles A. Van Nostrand	Ninth "

Sealers of Weights and Measures.

William C. Wheaton	First District.
John W. Smith	Second "
Daniel O'Shea	Third "
Alson B. Ostrander	Fourth "
Albert Lutz	Fifth "
Lee J. Mills	Sixth "
John H. Smith	Seventh "
Sylvester J. Torney	Eighth "
James J. Sullivan	Ninth "
Charles Walter, Jr.	Tenth "

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS AND FERRIES.

Report for the Quarter ending September 30, 1899.

THE CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS AND FERRIES,
PIER "A," NORTH RIVER, BATTERY PLACE,
NEW YORK, November 1, 1899.

Hon. ROBERT A. VAN WYCK, Mayor of The City of New York:

SIR—In compliance with section 1544 of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897, I have the honor to submit the following report of the transactions of this Department for the quarter ending September 30, 1899:

STATEMENT SHOWING THE REVENUES AND DISBURSEMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS AND FERRIES FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1899.

Revenues.

Rental collected from leases and permits	\$572,593 53
Wharfage collected	32,597 36
Received from fines and penalties	18 00
	<hr/> \$605,208 89

Rental received from ferry rents and franchises.....	\$86,062 04
Received from sale of maps.....	335 00
Received for filling-in privileges.....	400 00
Received for repairs, etc., made for lessees and others.....	21,517 78
	21,952 78

Total amount deposited during the three months with City Chamberlain \$713,223 71

Disbursements.

Warrants drawn upon the Comptroller for audited bills and claims on Construction and General Repairs Accounts.....	\$464,655 85
Salaries of Commissioners.....	3,999 96
Salaries of Construction Force.....	46,203 80
Labor pay-rolls.....	160,457 46
Bills and claims audited on Annual Expense Account, including salaries of officers and appointees.....	20,590 78
Payments on Acquired Property Account.....	255,887 39

Total disbursements..... \$951,795 24

STATEMENT OF DOCK FUND.

Balance June 30, 1899.....	\$414,016 65
Corporate Stock sold by Comptroller.....	2,000,000 00
Premium on same.....	189,100 00
Deposits to credit of Dock Fund.....	21,952 78

Total..... \$2,625,069 43
Deduct disbursements as above..... 951,795 24

Balance September 30, 1899..... \$1,673,274 19

I also submit herewith report of the Engineer-in-Chief showing the work done during the quarter.

Respectfully submitted,
J. SERGEANT CRAM, President.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS AND FERRIES, PIER "A," FOOT OF BATTERY PLACE, N. R.,
OFFICE OF THE ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF,
NEW YORK, October 15, 1899.

QUARTERLY REPORT ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1899.

To the Board of Docks:

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit the following report of the work under my charge and supervision during the quarter ending September 30, 1899:

WORK OF CONSTRUCTION. NORTH RIVER.

Barclay Street Section Extended.

The old platform in rear of the wall was removed and substantial progress made in building the wall. This section is nearing completion and filling is being placed by the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company, under the supervision of this Department.

This section is being built by the Department at the cost and expense of F. W. Rhinelander and others.

Park Place Section.

The old platform in rear of the wall was removed and substantial progress made in building the wall. Earth filling is being placed in rear of the wall by the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company, under the supervision of this Department.

This section is being built by the Department at the cost and expense of William Rhinelander and others.

Pier, new 18, N. R.

The Old Colony Steamboat Company have completed a shed on the pier and bulkhead south thereof. This makes a continuous length of shed built by this company extending from between Park place and Murray street to the north side of Murray street, a distance of over four hundred feet, in addition to the sheds erected on Piers, new 18 and 19.

Pier, new 26, N. R.

This pier is being extended by the force of the Department out to the pier-head line of 1897 on the request of the Old Dominion Steamship Company.

Pier, new 29, N. R.

This pier has been extended during the quarter by the Department's force and 480 linear feet of new wharfage room made.

Desbrosses Street Section.

The wall at this section is being built by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company under a permit from the Board of Docks. Work on the wall proper has been done during the quarter, and the railroad company is engaged in removing the old ferry structures and erecting new ones in their place. Filling has been placed in rear of the wall already built.

Watts Street Section.

This section was practically completed during the previous quarter and filling is now being placed in rear of the wall.

Watts Street Section Extended.

The wall of this section has been completed during the quarter and coping set, 125 linear feet of new wharfage room being made at this section.

Pier, new 32, N. R.

A shed has been erected on the extension to this pier by the New Jersey Steamboat Company and a platform built south of the pier by the same company.

South Canal Street Section.

A section of the bulkhead wall has been built by the New Jersey Steamboat Company south of the Canal Street Section; 131 linear feet of wharfage room made.

Pier, new 45, N. R.

The outer end of this pier is being extended by the force of the Department.

Improvement of Water-front between Pier, new 46, and Gansevoort Street.

The bulkhead-wall at the Gansevoort Section was completed from about the northerly side of Perry street to the southerly side of Gansevoort street during a previous quarter and work commenced on the lower part of the section, extending from the northerly side of Pier, new 46, to Perry street. Substantial progress has been in the work.

Oyster Basin.

The work of constructing a new temporary oyster basin in the vicinity of Bloomfield street is in progress and nearing completion. During the quarter, sheathing has been placed around the interior of the basin for the better protection of the oyster boats.

Pier, old 58, N. R.

The old pier has been removed and the bulkhead rebuilt.

West Thirty-fourth Street Section.

Filling in at this section has been in progress during the quarter.

Pier, West Thirty-ninth Street, N. R.

A new pier has been in course of construction at the foot of this street under Contract No. 660.

West Forty-second Street Section.

The Board of Docks, by a unanimous resolution passed the 27th of June, 1899, authorized the construction of the bulkhead-wall between Forty-second and Forty-third streets on the North river, work has been begun and is in progress.

West Forty-third Street Section Extended.

Some work has been done on this section during the quarter.

EAST RIVER.

Catharine Section.

Work on this section has been in progress during the quarter, and about 55 feet of wall actually completed. The work was built from the ferry structure at Catharine street to the northerly side of the City property, a distance of about 132 feet. Earth-filling has been received and placed in rear of wall.

Pier, Catharine Street, East River.

A new pier was built at the foot of the street, under Contract No. 645, and was completed during the quarter, 322 linear feet of wharfage room was made.

Rutger's Section.

At the Rutger's section, dredging for the wall has been done over a large area. Substantial progress has been made in the construction of the wall proper, about 91 feet being completed on the "E" course of granite. The area in rear of the wall was leveled off and earth filling received and placed thereat.

Pier, Rutger's Slip.

The construction of a new wooden pier has been in progress, under Contract No. 654 and is approaching completion.

Pier, old 48, E. R.

This pier has been extended out to the pier-head line of 1890 by the force of the Department.

East Twenty-third Street Section.

The Board of Docks, on the 27th of January, 1899, authorized the construction of the bulkhead wall from the south side of Seventeenth street to the south side of Twenty-fourth street. Work has been in progress during the quarter at both ends of the section. Portions of the East Eighteenth Street pier, the East Twenty-third street pier and the old approach to the ferry structures at East Twenty-third street were removed to permit the construction of the wall. The sewers under the piers at East Eighteenth and Twenty-third streets were removed and a temporary approach was constructed leading to the Twenty-third Street Ferry. About eighty-seven feet have been completed during the quarter on the "E" course of granite.

Pier, Twenty-second Street, E. R.

A new wooden pier is being constructed by the force of the Department at the foot of the street.

East Ninety-ninth Street Section.

Filling in the rear of the bulkhead wall has been deposited in the rear of the wall during the quarter.

Between Eightieth and Eighty-first Streets, E. R.

A contract has been awarded, No. 663, for building a new crib bulkhead between these streets for the Department of Street Cleaning, and work thereon has been commenced.

One Hundred and Thirty-eighth Street, west of Gerard Avenue, Harlem River.

Filling has been deposited in this vicinity by Jordan L. Mott.

One Hundred and Forty-fourth Street, Harlem River.

Filling is being deposited in this vicinity by John Cromwell.

One Hundred and Forty-seventh Street and Lenox Avenue, Harlem River.

Filling is being deposited to a grade of five feet above high water between One Hundred and Forty-seventh and One Hundred and Fiftieth streets, and between Lenox and Seventh avenues, Hudson river, by J. D. Crimmins.

Fordham Landing, Harlem River.

A contract, No. 661, has been awarded for the construction of a pier at the foot of Fordham road. Work under this contract has not yet been begun.

Willow Avenue, Bronx River.

The filling at these premises is being extended and a retaining wall has been constructed by the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company.

Westchester Avenue, Harlem River.

A temporary bridge is being erected across the above premises.

Oak Point, Bronx River.

Filling is being deposited at above premises and certain other improvements made, by the East Bay Land and Improvement Company.

Wallabout Improvement, Brooklyn.

Filling was placed in the rear of the wall, by M. J. Meagher, under an agreement with this Department.

Piers, new 1 and 2, Wallabout Basin.

Work on these new piers has been in progress and the piers are approaching completion.

Pier N. Second Street, Brooklyn.

The work of completing the recreation structure on this pier was commenced during the quarter, under Contract No. 631, but has been temporarily suspended on account of the contractor's inability to secure the necessary iron work. Foundation piles and capping were placed as a support to the building prior to work being begun by the contractor.

Pier Forty-second Street, Brooklyn.

An extension to the pier and a shed thereon are being constructed by the Bush Company, Limited, under a permit from the Board of Docks.

Water-front, between Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth Streets, Brooklyn.

The improvement of this water-front is in progress by the Brooklyn Dock and Terminal.

New Dock at Blackwell's Island.

A new dock is being built at the City Hospital, Blackwell's Island, for the Department of Charities.

RECREATION BUILDINGS.

All the recreation buildings on the North and East rivers have been taken care of and maintained for the public use.

PAVING MARGINAL STREET.

Pier, new 13, N. R.

An asphalt pavement was laid in front of this pier.

Barclay Street, N. R.

An asphalt pavement was laid in front of the Ferry premises.

Christopher Street, N. R.

An asphalt pavement was laid in front of the Ferry premises.

Piers, new 50, 51 and 52, N. R.

An asphalt pavement was laid in front of these piers.

LAYING TEMPORARY PAVEMENT.

Pavement has been laid in front of the Oyster Basin at Bloomfield street, at West Thirty-fourth street, at West Fiftieth street, between West Fiftieth and Fifty-first streets, between West Seventy-seventh and Seventy-eighth streets, and between West Seventy-ninth and Eightieth streets; also laying a pavement on the crib pier at West One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, and paving at One Hundred and Ninth street, Harlem river.

PILE BASINS ON THE NORTH RIVER.

The pile basins between One Hundred and Fifty-third and One Hundred and Fifty-fourth streets, and between One Hundred and Fifty-eighth and One Hundred and Fifty-ninth streets on the North river have been maintained in good order and condition.

TIMBER BASIN, NORTH RIVER.

At the timber basin, timber received under various Contracts and Treasurer's Orders has been received, cared for and issued as required.

DEPARTMENT YARDS AT WEST FIFTY-SEVENTH AND EAST TWENTY-FOURTH STREETS.

At the Department Yards, the force of the Department has been engaged in the construction of concrete blocks, the handling and cutting of granite, the care of material and the issuance of supplies for various pieces of work.

The yards have been maintained in good order and condition.

FLOATING PROPERTY.

All the floating property of the Department has been in use during the quarter and has been repaired from time to time.

Work on the new steel propeller is in progress under Contract No. 651.

SURVEYING PARTY.

Surveys of the water fronts and the structures thereon on the North, East and Harlem rivers, in the boroughs of Manhattan and The Bronx, have been made.

A detailed survey of the Westerly shore of the Bronx river, extending from Oak Point to Long Island Sound, is in progress.

An extensive survey of the water fronts of the boroughs of Brooklyn, Queens and Richmond is in progress.

All the lines, levels, grades, surveys, soundings and examinations have been made and given as required.

DREDGING.

All the dredging has been supervised, whether done by the Department or by private parties.

REPAIRS.

Repairs, other than dredging, have been made at various places under order from the Board of Docks.

Repairs, alterations and other pieces of work, by private parties under order or permit from the Board of Docks, have been supervised during the quarter.

In the office of the Engineer-in-Chief the draughtsmen have been engaged on plans and studies for contract work, plans for the improvement of the water front, plans and specifications for new piers and repairs, change of lines, examination of plans submitted by private parties, solar printing and general office work.

The total new wharfage room made by the Department of Docks and Ferries for the quarter amounted to 1,053 linear feet. The area of the City's piers has been increased 28,000. The total increase of wharfage room made by private parties has been 5,388 linear feet.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

J. A. BENSEL, Engineer-in-Chief.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION.

REPORT OF TRANSACTIONS, OCTOBER 30 TO NOVEMBER 4, 1899.

COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED.

From Penitentiary, Blackwell's Island—List of prisoners received during week ending October 28, 1899: Males, 23; females, 2; on file. List of 19 prisoners to be discharged from November 5 to 11, 1899; transmitted to Prison Association.

From Workhouse, Blackwell's Island—Amount of fines received during week ending October 28, 1899, \$72. On file.

From City Cemetery—List of burials during week ending October 28, 1899. On file.

From President of Department Medical Board—Recommending the appointment of Doctor Carl J. Geis as Dentist to the Workhouse and Penitentiary, under the direction of the Medical Board. Recommendation approved.

From his Honor the Mayor—Transmitting copy of a report from the Commissioners of Accounts, in which they request the Commissioners of Charities and Correction for all the boroughs to have inventories of stock on hand taken, by actual count, on December 31 of each year; which is directed by the Mayor to be carried out. Request will be complied with in every respect.

From the Civil Service Commission—Asking for a complete list showing names and titles of all persons in the Department of Correction appointed to positions classified as exempt from examination and who are now holding such positions. List transmitted.

From City Prison—Amount of fines received during week ending October 28, 1899, \$69. On file.

From Heads of Institutions—Reporting meats, milk, fish, etc., received during week ending October 28, 1899, of good quality and up to the standard; on file. Reports of census, labor, punishments, for week ending October 28, 1899; on file.

From District Prisons—Amount of fines received during week ending October 28, 1899, \$306. On file.

From General Storekeeper, Blackwell's Island—Reporting rejection of 800 pounds beef tendered by Contractors Schwarzschild & Sulzberger, it being of poor quality. Approved.

From Deputy Commissioner, boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens—Inclosing vouchers showing deposit with City Chamberlain of \$18,356.91, received since last deposit, August 25, 1899; on file. Requesting that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be petitioned to make a transfer of \$13,000 from appropriation for "Supplies" to that of "Purchase of Supplies," needed at the King's County Penitentiary, which latter appropriation is insufficient; approved. Stating that since removal of Nostrand avenue car-shed the Kings County Penitentiary has been infested with rats (poison, traps, etc., used with little success), and transmitting proposals for freeing buildings of these pests and keeping them free for one year from rats and mice for \$300. Proposal of the Columbian Company accepted.

From Kings County Penitentiary, Borough of Brooklyn—List of prisoners received during week ending October 28, 1899: Males, 11; females, 1; on file. List of 19 prisoners to be discharged from October 30 to November 4, 1899. On file.

Contract Awarded.

The Manhattan Supply Company, for—	
6 acorn angle valves, for.....	\$12 84
6 acorn globe valves, for.....	12 84
12 acorn globe valves, for.....	8 25
5 boxes glass, for.....	14 75
1 box glass, for.....	3 25
1 box glass, for.....	3 25
1 box glass, for.....	2 95
12 lights glass, for.....	16 80
2,100 linear feet blue-stone curb, for.....	1,134 00
1,150 linear feet blue stone curb, for.....	908 50

Appointed on Probation.

William J. Shannon, Engineman, Kings County Penitentiary, salary, \$1,000 per annum.
Patrick Reilly, Keeper, Penitentiary, Blackwell's Island, salary, \$800 per annum.
John A. Reidel, Keeper, Penitentiary, Blackwell's Island, salary, \$800 per annum.
Richard Neckerman, Stoker, Workhouse, Blackwell's Island, salary, \$480 per annum.

Resigned.

Thomas Porter, Keeper, Penitentiary, Blackwell's Island.
Michael J. Cahill, Keeper, Penitentiary, Blackwell's Island.
Kate Buckley, Nurse, Workhouse, Blackwell's Island.

Transferred.

Elizabeth Stone, Assistant Matron, Workhouse to City Prison; salary increased from \$300 to \$480 per annum.

Died.

Bernard O'Beirne, Orderly, Workhouse, Blackwell's Island.

FRANCIS J. LANTRY, Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION,
CITY OF NEW YORK,
OFFICES OF THE SCHOOL BOARD
OF THE BOROUGH OF QUEENS,
MORRIS BUILDING,
FLUSHING, N. Y., November 13, 1899.

Supervisor of the City Record:

DEAR SIR—At an adjourned meeting of the School Board for the Borough of Queens, held November 8, 1899, the resignation of Ella V. Paynter, Janitress of Annex to Public School No. 4, Long Island City, was tendered and accepted, resignation to take effect November 1, 1899.

Very truly yours,

JOSEPH H. FITZPATRICK,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS AND FERRIES.

THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS AND FERRIES,
PIER "A," N. R., BATTERY PLACE,
NEW YORK, November 10, 1899.

Supervisor of the City Record:

SIR—At a meeting of the Board of Docks held this date, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That Daniel Bremner, Martin J. Delaney, Patrick Rigney, John M. Sponza, Alexander Baird, Stephen J. Collins, James Harrigan, Barnett Sanders, Charles A. Bond, Matthew J. Drum, John F. Gately, Albert Lyons and John Vesey, be and are hereby

transferred from the position of Dock Builder to that of Ship Carpenter, in accordance with Civil Service Regulations.

Charles A. Bond and John Vesey, who were appointed prior to May 1, 1895, have been notified to appear before the Civil Service Commission for the necessary physical examination.

The Engineer-in-Chief has reported the death of Andrew Heaney, Dock Builder, on November 1, 1899.

The resignation of Julia E. Dowling, Recreation Pier Attendant, was accepted to take effect November 11, 1899.

The action of the Board of October 6, 1899, in discharging George Touhy was reconsidered, and said Touhy reinstated as Laborer in this Department.

Yours respectfully,

WM. H. BURKE,
Secretary.

THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS AND FERRIES,
PIER "A," N. R., BATTERY PLACE,
NEW YORK, November 10, 1899.

Supervisor of the City Record:

SIR—At a meeting of the Board of Docks held this date, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That John O. Van Brakle, John A. Benham and Thomas J. Cronin, be and are hereby promoted to the position of Leveler, with compensation at the rate of \$100 per month, to take effect November 11, 1899.

Yours respectfully,

WM. H. BURKE,
Secretary.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

MAYOR'S OFFICE—BUREAU OF LICENSES,
NEW YORK, November 13, 1899.

Number of licenses issued and amounts received therefor in the week ending Saturday, November 11, 1899:

BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN AND THE BRONX.

DATE.	NUMBER OF LICENSES.	AMOUNTS.
Monday, Nov. 6, 1899	138	\$181 25
Tuesday, " 7, "	Holi day.	
Wed'sday, " 8, "	122	709 25
Thursday, " 9, "	302	868 50
Friday, " 10, "	131	161 25
Saturday, " 11, "	75	114 25
Totals.....	768	\$2,034 50

BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN.

DATE.	NUMBER OF LICENSES.	AMOUNTS.
Monday, Nov. 6, 1899	36	\$184 00
Tuesday, " 7, "	Holi day.	
Wed'sday, " 8, "	13	62 50
Thursday, " 9, "	15	79 00
Friday, " 10, "	15	78 00
Saturday, " 11, "	6	26 00
Totals.....	85	\$429 50

BOROUGH OF RICHMOND.

DATE.	NUMBER OF LICENSES.	AMOUNTS.
Monday, Nov. 6, 1899	2	\$16 00
Tuesday, " 7, "	Holi day.	
Wed'sday, " 8, "	..	8 00
Thursday, " 9, "	2	16 00
Friday, " 10, "
Saturday, " 11, "	1	3 00
Totals.....	5	\$43 00

DAVID J. ROCHE,
Chief of Bureau of Licenses.

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No. 6 City Hall 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

ROBERT A. VAN WYCK, Mayor

ALFRED M. DOWNES, Private Secretary.

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No. 2 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M., Saturday, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

WILLIAM A. BUTLER, Supervisor; SOLON BERRICK, Deputy Supervisor; THOMAS C. COWELL, Deputy Supervisor and Accountant.

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Office of Clerk, Department of Taxes and Assessments, Stewart Building.

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No. 119 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

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No. 189 Montague street, Brooklyn, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M., except Saturdays in June, July and August, 9 A. M. to 1 P. M.

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Office of the Department for the Boroughs of Manhattan and The Bronx, No. 220 Fourth avenue, Borough of Manhattan.
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Office of the Department for the Boroughs of Queens and Richmond, Richmond Hall, New Brighton, Staten Island, Borough of Richmond. Branch office: Room 1, second floor, Town Hall, Jamaica, Long Island, Borough of Queens.

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BOARD OF EDUCATION.

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SHERIFF'S OFFICE, KINGS COUNTY.

County Court-house Brooklyn.
FRANK D. CREAMER, Sheriff; WILLIAM J. BOGENSHUTZ, Under Sheriff.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE, QUEENS COUNTY.

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WILLIAM CAS BAKER, Sheriff; WILLIAM METHVEN, Under Sheriff.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE, RICHMOND COUNTY.
County Court-house, Richmond, S. I., 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
AUGUSTUS ACKER, Sheriff.

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REGISTER, KINGS COUNTY.

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GEORGE H. FAHRBACH, Deputy.

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Office hours, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.; Saturdays, 8 A. M. to 12 M.
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GEORGE W. DAVISON, District Attorney.

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New County Court-house. Court opens at 10.30 A. M.; adjourns 4 P. M.
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Courts open from 9 A. M. until 4 P. M.
City Magistrates—HENRY A. BRANN, ROBERT C. CORNELL, LEROY B. CRANK, JOSEPH M. DEUEL, CHARLES A. FLAMMER, LORENZ ZELLER, CLARENCE W. MEADE, JOHN O. MOTT, JOSEPH POOL, JOHN B. MAYO, EDWARD HOGAN, W. H. OLMSTRAED, LUDWIG F. THOMA, Secretary.
First District—Criminal Court Building
Second District—Jefferson Market.
Third District—No. 69 Essex street
Fourth District—Fifty-seventh street, near Lexington avenue.
Fifth District—One Hundred and Twenty-first street southeastern corner of Sylvan place.
Sixth District—One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street and Third avenue.
Seventh District—Fifty-fourth street, west of Eighth avenue.

SECOND DIVISION.

Borough of Brooklyn.
First District—No. 318 Adams street. JACOB BRENNER, Magistrate.
Second District—Court and Butler streets. HENRY BRISTOW, Magistrate.
Third District—Myrtle and Vanderbilt avenues. CHARLES E. TEALE, Magistrate.
Fourth District—Nos. 6 and 8 Lee avenue. WILLIAM KRAMER, Magistrate.
Fifth District—Ewen and Powers streets. ANDREW LEMON, Magistrate.
Sixth District—Gates and Reid avenues. LEWIS R. WORTH, Magistrate.
Seventh District—No. 31 Grant street, Flatbush. ALFRED E. STEERS, Magistrate.
Eighth District—Coney Island. J. LOTT NOSTRAND, Magistrate.

Borough of Queens.

First District—Nos. 21 and 23 Jackson avenue, Long Island City. MATTHEW J. SMITH, Magistrate.
Second District—Flushing, Long Island. LUKK J. CONNOR, Magistrate.
Third District—Far Rockaway, Long Island. EDMUND J. HEALY, Magistrate.

Borough of Richmond.

First District—New Brighton, Staten Island. JOHN CROAK, Magistrate.
Second District—Stapleton, Staten Island. NATHANIEL MARSH, Magistrate.
Secretary to the Board, FRANK J. GARDNER, Myrtle and Vanderbilt avenues, Borough of Brooklyn.

KINGS COUNTY SURROGATE'S COURT.

County Court-house, Brooklyn.
GEORGE B. ABBOTT, Surrogate; MICHAEL F. MCGOLDRICK, Chief Clerk.

COUNTY JUDGE AND SURROGATE.

County Office Building, Richmond, S. I.
STEPHEN D. STEVENS, County Judge.

KINGS COUNTY TREASURER.

Court-house, Room 14.
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SUPREME COURT.

County Court-house, 10.30 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Special Term, Part I., Room No. 2.
Special Term, Part II., Room No. 15.
Special Term, Part III., Room No. 19.
Special Term, Part IV., Room No. 11.
Special Term, Part V., Room No. 23.

Special Term, Part VI., Room No. 21.
Special Term, Part VII., Room No. 25.
Special Term, Part VIII., Room No. 34.
Trial Term, Part II., Room No. 16.
Trial Term, Part III., Room No. 17.
Trial Term, Part IV., Room No. 18.
Trial Term, Part V., Room No. 32.
Trial Term, Part VI., Room No. 31.
Trial Term, Part VII., Room No. 30.
Trial Term, Part VIII., Room No. 24.
Trial Term, Part IX., Room No. 23.
Naturalization Bureau, Room No. 26.

Justices—ABRAHAM R. LAWRENCE, CHARLES H. TRUAX, CHARLES F. MACLEAN, FREDERICK SMYTH, JAMES FITZGERALD, MILES BRACH, DAVID LEVENTRITT, LEONARD A. GRIGERICH, HENRY W. BOOKSTAYER, HENRY BISCHOFF, Jr., JOHN I. FRIEDMAN, GEORGE P. ANDREWS, P. HENRY DUGRO, DAVID MCADAM, HENRY R. BERKMAN, HENRY A. GILDERSLERVE, FRANCIS M. SCOTT, WILLIAM SOMMER, Clerk.

CITY COURT.

Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park
General Term.
Trial Term, Part I.
Part II.
Part III.
Part IV.
Special Term Chambers will be held 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Clerk's Office, Brown-stone Building, No. 32 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JAMES M. FITZSIMONS, Chief Justice; JOHN H. MCCARTHY, LEWIS J. CONLAN, EDWARD F. O'DWYER, JOHN P. SCHUCHMAN and THEODORE F. HASCALL, Justices. THOMAS F. SMITH, Clerk.

APPELLATE DIVISION, SUPREME COURT.

Court-house, No. 111 Fifth avenue, corner Eighteenth street. Court opens at 1 P. M.
CHARLES H. VAN BRUNT, Presiding Justice; GEORGE C. BARRITT, CHESTER B. McLAUGHLIN, EDWARD PATTERSON, MORGAN J. O'BRIEN, GEORGE L. INGRAHAM, WILLIAM RUMSEY, Justices. ALFRED WAGSTAFF, Clerk. WILLIAM LAMB, Jr., Deputy Clerk.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Held in the building for Criminal Courts, Centre Elm, White and Franklin streets. Court opens at 11 o'clock.
RUFUS B. COWING, City Judge; JOHN W. GOFF, Recorder; JOSEPH E. NEWBURGER, MARTIN T. McMAHON and JAMES A. BLANCHARD, Judges of the Court of General Sessions. EDWARD R. CARROLL, Clerk.
Clerk's office open from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Supreme Court, Part I., Criminal Trial Term.

Held in the building for Criminal Courts. Court opens at 10.30 A. M.
EDWARD R. CARROLL, Clerk. Hours from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

CRIMINAL DIVISION, SUPREME COURT.

New Criminal Court Building, Centre street. Court opens at 10.30 o'clock A. M.
EDWARD R. CARROLL, Clerk. Hours from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

COUNTY COURT, KINGS COUNTY.

County Court-house, Brooklyn.
JOSEPH ASPINALL and WM. B. HURD, Jr., County Judges.
CHARLES Y. VAN DOREN, Chief Clerk.

QUEENS COUNTY COURT.

County Court-house, Long Island City.
HARRISON S. MOORE, County Judge.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS.

Building for Criminal Courts, Centre street, between Franklin and White streets, Borough of Manhattan. Court opens at 10 A. M.

Justices, First Division—ELIZUR B. HINSDALE, WILLIAM TRAVERS JEROME, EPHRAIM A. JACOB, JOHN B. MCKEAN, WILLIAM C. HOLBROOK, WILLIAM M. FULLER, Clerk; JOSEPH H. JONES, Deputy Clerk.
Clerk's office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Second Division—Trial days—Borough Hall, Brooklyn, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, at 10 o'clock; Town Hall, Jamaica, Borough of Queens, Tuesdays, at 10 o'clock; Town Hall, New Brighton, Borough of Richmond, Thursdays, at 10 o'clock.

Justices—JOHN CONNOR, HOWARD J. FORKER, PATRICK KEADY, JOHN FLEMING, THOMAS W. FITZGERALD, JOSEPH L. KERRIGAN, Clerk; CHARLES F. WOLZ, Deputy Clerk.
Clerk's office, Borough Hall, Borough of Brooklyn, open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

MUNICIPAL COURTS.

Borough of Manhattan.
First District—Third, Fifth and Eighth Wards, and all that part of the First Ward lying west of Broadway and Whitehall street, including Governor's Island, Bedloe's Island, Ellis Island and the Oyster Islands, New Court-house, No. 128 Prince street, corner of Wooster street.
WAUHOPE LYNN, Justice. FRANK L. BACON, Clerk.
Clerk's office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Second District—Second, Fourth, Sixth and Fourteenth Wards, and all that portion of the First Ward lying south and east of Broadway and Whitehall street. Court-room, corner of Grand and Centre streets.
HERMANN BOLTE, Justice. FRANCIS MANGIN, Clerk.
Clerk's office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Third District—Ninth and Fifteenth Wards. Court-room, southwest corner Sixth avenue and West Tenth street. Court open daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted) from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WM. F. MOORE, Justice. DANIEL WILLIAMS, Clerk.

Fourth District—Tenth and Seventeenth Wards. Court-room, No. 30 First street, corner Second avenue. Court opens 9 A. M. daily, and remains open to close of business.
GEORGE F. ROESCH, Justice. JOHN E. LYNCH, Clerk.

Fifth District—Seventh, Eleventh and Thirteenth Wards. Court-room, No. 154 Clinton street.
HENRY M. GOLDFOGLE, Justice. ———, Clerk.

Sixth District—Eighteenth and Twenty-first Wards. Court-room, northwest corner Twenty-third street and Second avenue. Court opens 9 A. M. daily, and continues open to close of business.
DANIEL F. MARTIN, Justice. ABRAHAM BERNARD, Clerk.

Seventh District—Nineteenth Ward. Court-room, No. 151 East Fifty-seventh street. Court opens every morning at 9 o'clock (except Sundays and legal holidays), and continues open to close of business.
HERMAN JOSEPH, Justice. PATRICK MCDAVITT, Clerk.

Eighth District—

Trial days, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Return days Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. JOSEPH H. STINER, Justice. THOMAS COSTIGAN, Clerk.

Ninth District—Twelfth Ward, except that portion hereof which lies west of the centre line of Lenox or Sixth avenue, and of the Harlem river north of the terminus of Lenox avenue. Court-room, No. 170 East One Hundred and Twenty-first street, southeast corner of Sylvan place. Court opens every morning at 9 o'clock (except Sundays and legal holidays), and continues open to close of business. JOSEPH P. FALLON, Justice. WILLIAM J. KENNEDY, Clerk. Clerk's office open daily from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Tenth District—Twenty-second Ward and all that portion of the Twelfth Ward which is bounded on the north by the centre line of One Hundred and Tenth street, on the south by the centre line of Eighty-sixth street, on the east by the centre line of Sixth avenue, and on the west by the North river. Court-room, No. 318 West Fifty-fourth street. Court opens daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted) from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. JAMES A. O'GORMAN, Justice. JAMES J. GALLIGAN, Clerk.

Eleventh District—That portion of the Twelfth Ward which lies north of the centre line of West One Hundred and Tenth street and west of the centre line of Lenox or Sixth avenue, and of the Harlem river north of the terminus of Lenox or Sixth avenue. Court-room, corner of One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street and Columbus avenue. Court opens daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted) from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. FRANCIS J. WORCESTER, Justice. ADOLPH N. DUMAHAUT, Clerk.

Borough of The Bronx.

First District—All that part of the Twenty-fourth Ward which was lately annexed to the City and County of New York by chapter 1034 of the Laws of 1895, comprising all of the late Town of Westchester and part of the Towns of Eastchester and Pelham, including the Villages of Wakefield and Williamsbridge. Court-room, Town Hall, Main street, Westchester Village. Court opens daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted) from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. WILLIAM W. PENFIELD, Justice. JOHN N. STEWART, Clerk.

Second District—Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards. Court-room, corner of Third avenue and One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street. Office hours from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Court opens at 9 A. M. JOHN M. TIERNEY, Justice. HOWARD SPEAR, Clerk.

Borough of Brooklyn.

First District—Comprising First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Tenth and Twelfth Wards of the Borough of Brooklyn. Court-house, northwest corner State and Court streets. JACOB NEU, Justice. EDWARD MORAN, Clerk. Clerk's office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Second District—Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, Eleventh, Twentieth, Twenty-first, Twenty-second and Twenty-third Wards. Court-room located at No. 794 Broadway, Brooklyn. GERARD B. VAN WART, Justice. WILLIAM H. AILEN, Chief Clerk. Clerk's office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Third District—Includes the Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth and Nineteenth Wards. Court-house, Nos. 6 and 8 Lee avenue, Brooklyn. WILLIAM SCHNITZPAHN, Justice. CHARLES A. CONRADY, Clerk. Clerk's office open from 9 A. M. until 4 P. M. Court opens at 10 o'clock.

Fourth District—Twenty-fourth, Twenty-fifth, Twenty-sixth, Twenty-seventh and Twenty-eighth Wards. Court-room, No. 14 Howard avenue. ADOLPH H. GOTTING, Justice. HERMAN GOHLING-HORST, Clerk; JAMES P. SINNOTT, Assistant Clerk. Clerk's office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Fifth District—Twenty-ninth, Thirtieth, Thirty-first and Thirty-second Wards. Court-room on Bath avenue and Bay Twenty-second street, Bath Beach. CORNELIUS FURGUESON, Justice. JEREMIAH J. O'LEARY, Clerk. Clerk's office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Borough of Queens.

First District—First Ward (all of Long Island City, formerly comprising five Wards). Court-room Queens County Court-house (located temporarily). THOMAS C. KADIN, Justice. THOMAS F. KENNEDY, Clerk. Clerk's office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. each week day. Court held each day, except Saturday.

Second District—Second and Third Wards, which includes the territory of the late Towns of Newtown and Flushing. Court-room in Court-house of late Town of Newtown, corner of Broadway and Court street, Elmhurst, New York. P. O. address, Elmhurst, New York. WILLIAM T. MONTEVERDE, Justice. HENRY WALTER JR., Clerk. Clerk's office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Third District—JAMES F. McLOUGHLIN, Justice. GEO. W. DAMON, Clerk. Court-house, Town Hall, Jamaica.

Borough of Richmond.

First District—First and Third Wards (Towns of Castleton and Northfield). Court-room, former Village Hall, Lafayette avenue and Second street, New Brighton. JOHN J. KENNY, Justice. FRANCIS F. LEMAN, Clerk. Court office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Court held each day, except Saturday, from 10 A. M. to 1 P. M.

Second District—Second, Fourth and Fifth Wards (Towns of Middletown, Southfield and Westfield). Court-room, former Edgewater Village Hall, Stapleton. ALBERT REYNOLD, Justice. PETER TIERNAN, Clerk. Court office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Court held each day from 10 A. M., and continues until close of business.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES, BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN AND THE BRONX, FOOT OF EAST TWENTY-SIXTH STREET, NEW YORK, November 14, 1899.

PROPOSALS FOR LUMBER, TO BE DELIVERED AT ONCE.

BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN AND THE BRONX.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING the above-mentioned Supplies, in conformity with specifications, will be received at the Central Office of this Department, foot of East Twenty-sixth street, until 12 o'clock noon.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1899.

LUMBER.

(Bidders will state prices by items. Awards will be made to that bidder the total of whose bid for lumber shall be the lowest.)

All lumber to be delivered at Blackwell's Island forthwith. Measurements allowed as received at Blackwell's Island.

Line Nos.

1683. 4,000 feet, B. M., 1/2-inch, first quality extra clear White Pine, 12 to 16 inches wide, 12 to 16 feet long, dressed two sides, 3/4-inch, to average 14 inches wide, per 1,000 feet, B. M.

1684. 6,000 feet, B. M., 3/4-inch, first quality, extra clear White Pine, 12 to 16 inches wide, 12 to 16 feet long, dressed two sides, 1/2-inch, to average 14 inches wide, per 1,000 feet, B. M.

1685. 5,000 feet, B. M., 3/4-inch, first quality, extra clear White Pine, 12 to 16 inches wide, 12 to 16 feet long, dressed two sides, 3/4-inch, to average 14 inches wide, per 1,000 feet, B. M.

1686. 30,000 feet, B. M., 1-inch, first quality, extra clear White Pine, 12 to 16 inches wide, 12 to 16 feet long, dressed two sides, 3/4-inch, to average 14 inches wide, per 1,000 feet, B. M.

1687. 15,000 feet, B. M., 1 1/2-inch, first quality extra clear White Pine, 12 to 16 inches wide, 12 to 16 feet long, dressed two sides, 1 1/2-inch, to average 14 inches wide, per 1,000 feet, B. M.

1688. 7,500 feet, B. M., 1 1/2-inch, first quality extra clear White Pine, 12 to 16 inches wide, 12 to 16 feet long, dressed two sides, 1 1/2-inch, to average 14 inches wide, per 1,000 feet, B. M.

1689. 5,000 feet, B. M., 2-inch, first quality, extra clear White Pine, 12 to 16 inches wide, 12 to 16 feet long, dressed two sides, 1 1/2-inch, to average 14 inches wide, per 1,000 feet, B. M.

1690. 60,000 feet, B. M., good sound White Pine Box Boards, free from black or heart knots or shakes, dressed two sides, 3/4-inch, 12 to 15 inches wide, to average 13 1/2 inches wide, 12 to 16 feet long, to average 14 feet long, per 1,000 feet, B. M.

1691. 125,000 feet, B. M., good sound White Pine Box Boards, free from black or heart knots or shakes, dressed two sides, 3/4-inch, 12 to 15 inches wide, to average 13 1/2 inches wide, 12 to 16 feet long, to average 14 feet long, per 1,000 feet, B. M.

1692. 200 feet, B. M., 3/4-inch, clear, first quality Ash, 8 to 12 inches wide, 12 feet and over long, dressed two sides, 3/4-inch, to average 11 inches wide, per 1,000 feet, B. M.

1693. 1,000 feet, B. M., 1 inch to 2 inches, clear first quality Ash, 8 to 14 inches wide, 12 feet and over long, dressed two sides, to average 11 inches wide, per 1,000 feet, B. M.

1694. 120 feet B. M., 1-inch clear first quality Black Walnut, 8 to 14 inches wide, 12 feet and over long, dressed two sides, 3/4-inch, to average 11 inches wide, per 1,000 feet, B. M.

1695. 200 pieces first quality Rough Spruce, 2 by 3 inches by 13 feet long, per piece.

1696. 750 pieces first quality Rough Spruce, 2 by 4 inches by 13 feet long, per piece.

1697. 1,300 pieces first quality Rough Spruce, 3 by 4 inches by 13 feet long, per piece.

1698. 100 pieces first quality Rough Spruce, 1 by 9 inches by 13 feet long, per piece.

1699. 1,000 pieces first quality Rough Spruce, 2 by 9 inches by 13 feet long, per piece.

1700. 200 pieces first quality Spruce, dressed one side, tongued and grooved to finish, 7/8 by 8 1/2 inches by 13 feet long, per piece.

1701. 100 pieces first quality Spruce, dressed two sides, tongued and grooved to finish, 1 1/2 by 8 1/2 inches by 13 feet long, per piece.

1702. 1,200 feet, B. M., 1-inch to 2-inch, clear, first quality White Oak, 8 to 14 inches wide, 12 feet and over long, dressed two sides, to average 11 inches wide, per 1,000 feet, B. M.

1703. 1,000 feet, B. M., first quality extra clear White Pine Ceiling, dressed two sides, tongued, grooved and beaded to finish, 3/4-inch by 3 1/2 inches by 12 feet and over long, per 1,000 feet, B. M.

1704. 500 feet, B. M., Yellow Pine Ceiling, dressed two sides, tongued, grooved and beaded to finish, 1/2-inch by 3 1/2 inches by 12 feet and over long, free from sap, knots, gum, rot, shakes or splits, per 1,000 feet, B. M.

1705. 600 feet, B. M., Yellow Pine Ceiling, dressed two sides, tongued, grooved and beaded to finish, 3/4-inch by 2 1/2 inches by 12 feet and over long, free from sap, knots, gum, rot, shakes or splits, per 1,000 feet, B. M.

1706. 600 feet, B. M., Yellow Pine Ceiling, dressed two sides, tongued, grooved and beaded to finish, 3/4-inch by 2 1/2 inches by 12 feet and over long, free from sap, knots, gum, rot, shakes or splits, per 1,000 feet, B. M.

1707. 5,500 feet, B. M., Yellow Pine Flooring, dressed two sides, tongued and grooved to finish, 3/4-inch by 2 1/2 inches by 12 feet and over long, free from sap, knots, gum, rot, shakes or splits, per 1,000 feet, B. M.

1708. 15,000 feet, B. M., Yellow Pine Flooring, tongued and grooved to finish, 1 1/2 inches by 3 inches by 12 feet and over long, free from sap, knots, gum, rot, shakes or splits, per 1,000 feet, B. M.

1709. 1,000 feet B. M., comb grain, Yellow Pine Flooring, concave, dressed two sides, tongued, and grooved to finish, 3/4-inch by 2 inches by 12 feet and over long, free from sap, knots, gum, rot, shakes or splits, per 1,000 feet, B. M.

1710. 6,000 feet B. M., 3/4-inch clear, first quality White Wood, dressed two sides, 3/4-inch, 8 inches and over wide, 12 feet and over long, per 1,000 feet, B. M.

1711. 1,000 feet B. M., 1 1/2 by 10 inches by 16 feet Yellow Pine Step Plank, free from sap, knots, gum, rot, shakes or splits, per 1,000 feet, B. M.

1712. 1,000 feet, B. M., 1 1/2 by 12 inches by 16 feet, Yellow Pine Step Plank, free from sap, knots, gum, rot, shakes or splits, per 1,000 feet, B. M.

1713. 5,000 feet, B. M., merchantable White Pine Board, tongued and grooved to finish, 3/4-inch by 9 1/2 inches by 12, 14 and 16 feet long, per 1,000 feet, B. M.

1714. 135 bundles first quality Spruce Lath, 100 in bundle, per bundle.

1715. 150 bundles "Bests" Pine Shingles, 16 inches long, each width separately bunched, 5 butts to measure 2 inches, all heart, free from shakes, knots and other defects, per bundle.

1716. 200 only first quality Chestnut Clothes Posts, 10 feet long and 6 inches in diameter when finished, each.

1717. 4,000 only Maple Bed Blocks, as per sample, per 100.

The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Lumber," with his or their name or names and the date of presentation to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President of said Department, or his duly authorized agent, and read.

THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS OR ESTIMATES IF DEEMED TO BE FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 419, CHAPTER 378, LAWS OF 1897.

No bid or estimate will be accepted from, or contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

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

Delivery will be required immediately. Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect, and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, each in the penal amount of fifty (50) per cent. of the bid for each article. (No bonds or deposit required on bids under One Thousand Dollars.)

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him or them therein, and if no other person be so interested it shall distinctly state that fact; also that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Municipal Assembly, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the VERIFICATION be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance, and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting; the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract over and above all his debts of every nature and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by section 12 of chapter 7 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of New York, if the contract shall be awarded to the person or persons for whom he consents to become surety. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.

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

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

The quality of the Lumber must conform in every respect to the specifications. Bidders are cautioned to examine the specifications for particulars before making their estimates, and are cautioned against referring to any specifications other than those furnished by the Department. Such references are cause for rejecting bids whereon they are written, and will in no case govern the action of the Department officers in passing upon tenders.

Bidders must state the price of each item by which the bids will be tested. The extensions must be made and footed up, as the bids will be read from the total footing and awards made to the lowest bidder on each lot complete.

All estimates not conforming to these requirements may be considered as informal.

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

Payment will be made by a requisition on the Comptroller, in accordance with the terms of the contract, or from time to time, as the Commissioners may determine.

The form of the contract, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, can be obtained at the office of the General Bookkeeper and Auditor, foot of East Twenty-sixth street, and bidders are cautioned to examine each and all of its provisions carefully, as the Board of Public Charities will insist upon its absolute enforcement in every particular.

JOHN W. KELLER, President,
ADOLPH SIMIS, Jr., Commissioner,
JAMES FEENEY, Commissioner,
Department of Public Charities.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES, BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN AND THE BRONX, FOOT OF EAST TWENTY-SIXTH STREET, NEW YORK, November 13, 1899.

PROPOSALS FOR THE MATERIALS AND WORK REQUIRED FOR THE ALTERATIONS TO THE NORTH HOSPITAL BUILDING ON RANDALL'S ISLAND.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR THE above-mentioned work, in conformity with plans and specifications, will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities, foot of East Twenty-sixth street, in the City of New York, until 12 o'clock M.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1899.

The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for the Materials and Work required for the alterations to the North Hospital Building on Randall's Island," with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the

President of said Department, or his duly authorized agent, and read.

THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS OR ESTIMATES IF DEEMED TO BE FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 419, CHAPTER 378, LAWS OF 1897.

No bid or estimate will be accepted from, or contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

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

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect, and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract, by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, each in the penal amount of Five Hundred (500) Dollars.

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him or them therein, and if no other person be so interested it shall distinctly state that fact; also that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Municipal Assembly, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. When more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the VERIFICATION be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders, in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance, and 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 upon its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith, and with the intention to execute the bond required by section 12 of chapter 7 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of New York, if the contract shall be awarded to the person or persons for whom he consents to become surety. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.

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

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

Bidders are cautioned to examine the plans and specifications for particulars of the work, etc., required before making their estimates, and are cautioned against referring to any specifications other than those furnished by the Department. Such references are cause for rejecting bids whereon they are written, and will in no case govern the action of the Department officers in passing upon tenders.

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

Payment will be made by a requisition on the Comptroller, in accordance with the terms of the contract.

The form of the contract, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, can be obtained and plans seen at the office of Horgan & Slattery, architects, No. 1 Madison avenue, New York City, and bidders are cautioned to examine each and all of its provisions carefully, as the Board of Public Charities will insist upon its absolute enforcement in every particular.

JOHN W. KELLER, President,
ADOLPH SIMIS, Jr., Commissioner,
JAMES FEENEY, Commissioner,
Department of Public Charities.

CORPORATION NOTICE.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE owner or owners of all houses and lots, improved or unimproved lands affected thereby, that pursuant to section 4, chapter 564 of the Laws of 1895, the Board of Assessors has fixed the district of assessment to be benefited by the acquisition and improvement of Jamaica avenue (formerly known as the Brooklyn and Jamaica Plank road), Borough of Brooklyn, as follows:

From the boundaries of the Borough of Brooklyn, between the Twenty-fourth and Twenty-sixth Wards, and Jamaica Plank road, including both sides of said road and Jamaica avenue to Enfield street, being the boundary line between Kings and Queens Counties, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets and avenues.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named proposed district of assessment, and who are opposed to the same, are requested to present their objections, in writing, to the Secretary of the Board of Assessors, No. 320 Broadway, New York, on or before December 5, 1899, at 11 A. M., at which time and place the said objections will be heard and testimony received thereto.

EDWARD McCUE,
EDWARD CAHILL,
THOS. A. WILSON,
PATRICK M. HAVERTY,
JOHN B. MEYENBERG,
Board of Assessors.

WILLIAM H. JASPER,
Secretary,
No. 320 Broadway,
CITY OF NEW YORK, BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN,
November 15, 1899.

THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS OF THE CITY of New York hereby give notice that the cost of the following-named local improvement is greater than the estimate heretofore made therefor, viz:

BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN.

List 6122, No. 1. Grading and paving Orient avenue, from Metropolitan avenue to Olive street, with asphalt pavement, \$404.53.

The limits within which it is proposed to lay the said assessments include all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land situated on—

No. 1. Both sides of Orient avenue, from Metropolitan avenue to Olive street, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

—and that said Board of Assessors has added to the assessments heretofore laid for said improvements, the said excess of the cost over said estimate and apportioned the same upon the several parcels of land according to their respective proportions of the original assessment, and the said Board of Assessors has prepared lists showing the amounts of such additions, and the same are now on file in the office of said Board of Assessors, No. 320 Broadway, New York, where the same can be examined by all persons interested, and that the said Board will meet in the said office on the 12th day of December, 1899, at 11 A. M., to hear objections (if any) to the same.

EDWARD McCUE,
EDWARD CAHILL,
THOS. A. WILSON,
PATRICK M. HAVERTY,
JOHN B. MEYENBORG,
Board of Assessors.

WILLIAM H. JASPER,
Secretary,
No. 320 Broadway,
CITY OF NEW YORK, BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN,
November 8, 1899.

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

BOROUGH OF THE BRONX.

List 5674, No. 1. Regulating, grading, curbing, flagging, laying crosswalks and building fences in Home street, from Boston road to Intervale avenue, together with a list of awards for damages caused by a change of grade.

List 5790, No. 2. Regulating, grading, curbing, flagging, laying crosswalks and placing fences in Union avenue, from One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street to Boston road, together with a list of awards for damages caused by a change of grade.

List 5875, No. 3. Sewers and appurtenances in Jerome avenue, between East One Hundred and Seventieth street and Belmont street.

The limits within which it is proposed to lay the said assessments include all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land situated on—

No. 1. Both sides of Home street, from Boston road to Intervale avenue, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 2. Both sides of Union avenue, from One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street to Boston road, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 3. Both sides of Jerome avenue, from One Hundred and Seventieth street to Belmont street; also block bounded by One Hundred and Seventy-first, One Hundred and Seventy-second, Townsend avenue and Jerome avenue.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named proposed assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections, in writing, to the Secretary of the Board of Assessors, No. 320 Broadway, New York, on or before December 12, 1899, at 11 A. M., at which time and place the said objections will be heard and testimony received in reference thereto.

EDWARD McCUE,
EDWARD CAHILL,
THOS. A. WILSON,
PATRICK M. HAVERTY,
JOHN B. MEYENBORG,
Board of Assessors.

WILLIAM H. JASPER,
Secretary,
No. 320 Broadway,
CITY OF NEW YORK, BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN,
November 8, 1899.

THE COLLEGE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

A STATED SESSION OF THE BOARD OF Trustees of the College of The City of New York will be held at the Hall of the Board of Education, No. 146 Grand street, Borough of Manhattan, on Tuesday, November 21, 1899, at 4 o'clock P. M.

Dated BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, November 15, 1899.

JOSEPH J. LITTLE,
Chairman.

A. EMERSON PALMER,
Secretary.

NORMAL COLLEGE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

A STATED SESSION OF THE BOARD OF Trustees of the Normal College of The City of New York will be held at the Hall of the Board of Education, No. 146 Grand street, Borough of Manhattan, on Tuesday, November 21, 1899, at 4:30 o'clock P. M.

Dated BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, November 15, 1899.

JOSEPH J. LITTLE,
Chairman.

A. EMERSON PALMER,
Secretary.

BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.

BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS,
No. 21 PARK ROW,
BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York, deeming it for the public interest so to do, proposes to alter the map or plan of The City of New York, by laying out new streets, avenues, parks and public places, as shown on a proposed map or plan, showing the street system in the First Ward, Borough of Queens, formerly Long Island City, as modified and proposed by the said Board of Public Improvements, which said Map or Plan is now on file, and can be seen at the office of the said Board, as above; and that a meeting of the said Board will be held in the office of the said Board at No. 21 Park row, Borough of Manhattan, as above, on the 29th day of November, 1899, at 2 o'clock P. M., at which such proposed laying out of new streets, avenues, etc., will be considered by said Board; all of which is more particularly set forth and described in the following resolutions adopted by said Board on the 8th day of November, 1899, notice of the adoption of which is hereby given, viz:

Resolved, That the Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York, in pursuance of the provisions of section 436 of chapter 378, Laws of 1897, deeming it for the public interest so to do, proposes to alter the map or plan of The City of New York by laying out new streets, avenues, parks and public places, as shown on a proposed map or plan, showing the street system in the First Ward, Borough of Queens, formerly Long Island City, as modified and proposed by the said Board of Public Improvements.

Resolved, That this Board consider the proposed laying out of new streets, avenues, etc., in the above-named First Ward, Borough of Queens, at a meeting of this Board, to be held in the office of this Board, on the 29th day of November, 1899, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Board cause these resolutions, and a notice to all persons affected thereby, that the proposed laying out of new streets, avenues, etc., in the above-named First Ward, Borough of Queens, will be considered at a meeting of this Board, to be held at the aforesaid time and place, to be published in the CITY RECORD for ten days continuously, Sundays and legal holidays excepted, prior to the 29th day of November, 1899.

Dated New York, November 14, 1899.

JOHN H. MOONEY,
Secretary.

BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS,
No. 21 PARK ROW,
BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York, deeming it for the public interest so to do, proposes to alter the map or plan of The City of New York, by changing the grades of Creston avenue, from East One Hundred and Eighty-fourth street to East One Hundred and Eighty-ninth street, in the Borough of The Bronx, City of New York, and that a meeting of the said Board will be held in the office of the said Board, at No. 21 Park row, Borough of Manhattan, on the 22nd day of November, 1899, at 2 o'clock P. M., at which such proposed change of grades will be considered by said Board; all of which is more particularly set forth and described in the following resolutions adopted by said Board on the 1st day of November, 1899, notice of the adoption of which is hereby given, viz:

Resolved, That the Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York, in pursuance of the provisions of section 436 of chapter 378, Laws of 1897, deeming it for the public interest so to do, proposes to alter the map or plan of The City of New York by changing the grades of Creston avenue, from East One Hundred and Eighty-fourth street to East One Hundred and Eighty-ninth street, in the Borough of The Bronx, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the intersection of Creston avenue with East One Hundred and Eighty-fourth street, the elevation to be 130 feet on the east curb and 131 feet on the west curb as heretofore.

1st. Thence 170 feet north of the north curb of East One Hundred and Eighty-fourth street, the elevation to be 132 feet above high water datum.

2d. Thence to a point 270 feet southerly from the southeasterly intersection of the curb lines of Creston avenue and East One Hundred and Eighty-ninth street, the elevation to be 125.5 feet above mean high-water datum.

3d. Thence to the intersection of East One Hundred and Eighty-ninth street with Creston avenue, the elevation to be 112.5 feet above high water datum as heretofore.

Resolved, That this Board consider the proposed change of grades of the above-named avenue, at a meeting of this Board, to be held in the office of this Board on the 22nd day of November, 1899, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Board cause these resolutions, and a notice to all persons affected thereby, that the proposed change of grades of the above-named avenue will be considered at a meeting of this Board, to be held at the aforesaid time and place, to be published in the CITY RECORD, for ten days continuously, Sundays and legal holidays excepted, prior to the 22nd day of November, 1899.

JOHN H. MOONEY,
Secretary.

Dated New York, November 8, 1899.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH,
CITY OF NEW YORK,
SIXTH AVENUE AND FIFTY-FIFTH STREET,
BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN,
NEW YORK, November 7, 1899.

At a meeting of the Board of Health of the Department of Health, held November 1, 1899, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That under the power conferred by law upon the Board of Health, the following additional amendment to the Sanitary Code for the security of life and health, be and the same is hereby adopted and declared to form a portion of the Sanitary Code:

Sec. 134. That the owners, lessees, tenants and managers of every blacksmith or other shop, forge, coal yard, foundry, manufacturing and premises where any business is done, or in or upon which an engine or boilers are used, shall cause all ashes, cinders, rubbish, dirt and refuse to be removed to some proper place, so that the same shall not accumulate at any of the above-mentioned premises or in the appurtenances thereof, nor the same become filthy or offensive. Nor shall any owner, lessee, tenant, manager, engineer, fireman or any other person cause or allow any smoke, cinders, dust, gas, steam or offensive odor to escape or be discharged from any such building, place or premises; and every furnace employed in the working of engines by steam, or in any mill, factory, printing house, dye factory, iron foundry, glass house, distillery, brew house, sugar refinery, bake house, gas works or in any other buildings used for the purposes of trade or manufacture shall be so constructed as to consume or burn the smoke arising therefrom.

[L. S.] MICHAEL C. MURPHY,
President.

C. GOLDBERMAN,
Secretary pro tem.

CHANGE OF GRADE DAMAGE COMMISSION, TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH WARDS.

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 337 of the Laws of 1893, entitled "An act providing for ascertaining and paying the amount of damages to lands and buildings suffered by reason of changes of grade of streets or avenues, made pursuant to chapter 721 of the Laws of 1887, providing for the depression of railroad tracks in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, in the City of New York, or otherwise," and the acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, notice is hereby given that public meetings of the Commissioners appointed pursuant to said acts, will be held at Room 58, Schermerhorn Building, No. 96 Broadway, in The City of New York, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week, at 2 o'clock P. M., until further notice.

Dated New York, April 17, 1899.

WILLIAM E. STILLINGS,
WARREN W. FOSTER,
CHARLES A. JACKSON,
Commissioners

LAMONT McLOUGHLIN,
Clerk.

BOROUGH OF THE BRONX.

BOROUGH OF THE BRONX,
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH,
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, CROTONA PARK,
177TH STREET AND THIRD AVENUE.

I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE THAT ANOTHER hearing will be given by the Local Board, Twenty-first District, Borough of The Bronx, on petition for sewer in Broadway, from the city line to Riverdale avenue; thence through Exterior street to East One

Hundred and Ninety-second street, and through East One Hundred and Ninety-second street to the Harlem river, on November 16, 1899, at 2 P. M., at the office of the President of the Borough of The Bronx, Municipal Building, Crotona Park (One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street and Third avenue).

Dated November 8, 1899.

LOUIS F. HAFEN,
President.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE,
POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
Room 9, No. 300 MULBERRY STREET,
NEW YORK, October 31, 1899.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the following Horses will be sold at public auction, at the salesrooms of Messrs. Van Tassel & Kearney, No. 130 East Thirteenth street, on

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1899,

at 10 A. M.

Thirtieth Precinct—

"Reuben," No. 74.

Forty-fourth Precinct—

"Jim," No. 244.

Fifty-third Precinct—

"Prince," No. 276.

"Jim," No. 257.

Fifty-eighth Precinct—

"Coney," No. 284.

Fifty-fifth Precinct—

"Jim," No. 279.

Sixty-fourth Precinct—

"Roach," No. 300.

"Poke," No. 301.

Thirty-fourth Precinct—

"Dick," No. 97.

"Jumbo," No. 148.

Thirty-seventh Precinct—

"John," No. 176.

Thirtieth Precinct—

"Jim," No. 196.

Fortieth Precinct—

"George," No. 207.

"Jack," No. 212.

Fifty-third Precinct—

"Dan," No. 270.

Sixty-sixth Precinct—

"Paul," No. 302.

Sixty-eighth Precinct—

"Hot Stuff," No. 323.

Twenty-first Precinct—

"Billy," No. 351.

By order of the Board of Police.

ANDREW J. LALOR,
Property Clerk.

POLICE DEPARTMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK, 1899.
OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY Clerk of the Police Department of The City of New York, No. 300 Mulberry street, Room No. 9, for the following property, now in his custody, without claimants: Boots, rope, iron, lead, male and female clothing, boots, shoes, wine, blankets, diamonds, canned goods, liquors, etc.; also small amount money taken from prisoners and found by Patrolmen of this Department.

ANDREW J. LALOR,
Property Clerk.

POLICE DEPARTMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK,
BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE DEPUTY PROP- erty Clerk of the Police Department of The City of New York—Office, Municipal Building, Borough of Brooklyn—for the following property now in his custody without claimants: Boots, rope, iron, lead, male and female clothing, boots, shoes, wine, blankets, diamonds, canned goods, liquors, etc.; also small amount money taken from prisoners and found by Patrolmen of this Department.

CHARLES D. BLATCHFORD,
Deputy Property Clerk

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION—CITY OF NEW YORK,
BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN AND BRONX,
October 30, 1899.

PROPOSALS FOR MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES TO BE DELIVERED AT ONCE.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR FUR- nishing Miscellaneous Articles, in conformity with specifications, will be received at the office of the Department of Correction, No. 148 East Twentieth street, in The City of New York, until 11 A. M.,

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1899.

All goods to be delivered on dock (foot of East Twenty-sixth street) for Blackwell's Island Storehouse, free of all expense, and quantities allowed as received there.

REQUISITION No. 11, 1899.

Workhouse.

20. 1 gross Flat Lamp Wick, 1 inch by 7 inches.

23. 10 pounds Chrome Green in Oil.

24. 1 barrel Whiting.

25. 1 barrel Raw Linseed Oil.

26. 5 gallons Japan Dryer.

27. 10 gallons Inside Varnish.

28. 2 boxes Glass, 10 inches by 12 inches.

29. 2 boxes Glass, 10 inches by 14 inches.

30. 1 roll White Marbleized Table Cloth.

31. 5 yards Oiled Muslin Saws, 12-inch blade.

32. 6-12 dozen Fore Planes, No. 610.

33. 2-12 dozen Cherry Plumbs and Levels, 24 inches long, No. 189½.

34. 6-12 Mattress Needles, point and eye at each end.

35. 2 dozen Lamp Chimneys (as sample).

36. 2 dozen Argand Chimneys.

37. 6-12 dozen Argand Porcelain Shades.

38. 3 pounds Fine Pulverized Borax.

39. 6-12 dozen Colored Cotton Masons' Lines.

40. 1 pound Copper Rivets with Burrs, ½ inch, No. 10.

41. 3 dozen Stove Pipe Dampers, 1 dozen each 4 inches, 5 inches, 6 inches.

42. 100 pieces Yellow Pine Flooring, 3½ inches wide.

43. 20 pieces 1 inch Clear White Pine, 12 inches by 16 feet, dressed both sides.

44. 15 pieces 1½ inch Clear White Pine, 12 inches by 16 feet, dressed both sides.

45. 6 pieces 1-inch Clear White Wood, 12 inches by 16 feet, dressed both sides.

46. 25 pieces Shelving, 12 inches by 16 feet.

47. 25 pieces Pine Roofing, 1 inch by 9½ inches, tongued and grooved.

48. 4 Double Pulley Blocks, 5½ inches by 1 3-16 inches, Fig. 04 2455, Manning, Maxwell & Moore Catalogue.

49. 8 Double Pulley Blocks, 3 inches by 13-16 inches, Fig. 04 2455, Manning, Maxwell & Moore Catalogue.

50. 4 Single Pulley Blocks, 3 inches by 13-16 inches, Fig. 04 2455, Manning, Maxwell & Moore Catalogue.

51. 10 rolls Roofing Felt, 3 ply.

52. 10 pounds Tinned Roofing Nails.

53. 2 gross Screws, 1 gross 1¼-14, 1 gross ½-5.

54. 1 10-inch Monkey Wrench.

55. 1 Foot-power Shoe-cyclet Machine.

56. 1 piece Camwood.

70. 1 gallon pure Alcohol.

71. 1 Plough No. 19, Six Shears (Woodhouse).

72. 1 Plough No. 20, Six Shears (Woodhouse).

73. 200 Flower Pots, 6 inches by 6 inches.

74. 200 Flower Pots, 8 inches by 8 inches.

75. 3 boxes Glass, 9 inches by 12 inches.

76. 3 boxes Glass, 6 inches by 8 inches.

77. 1 barrel Whiting.

78. 20 gallons Raw Oil.

79. 1 whole font Belle Script.

80. 36 A Lower Case, Font No. 2, 24 Point.

81. 1,000 Ground down Needles, 500 No. 6, 500 No. 7, 100 No. 8.

82. 3 barrels raw Linseed Oil.

83. 1 barrel Turpentine.

84. 11 gallons Japan Dryer.

85. 5 gallons Naphtha.

86. 5 gallons Benzine.

87. 5 gallons Crude Oil.

88. 500 pounds Princess Metallic Paint (dry).

89. 2 boxes Glass, 12 inches by 22 inches (double thick).

90. 1 gross ¼-inch Gas Tips.

91. 1 gross Gas Burners.

92. 2 rolls Stove Pipe Wire, No. 18.

93. 60 feet 4-inch Extra Heavy Sewer Pipe.

94. 4 inches by 4 inches 4-inch Extra Heavy V's.

95. 4 inches by 2 inches 2-inch Extra Heavy Reducers.

96. 6 ¼ 4-inch Extra Heavy Bends.

97. 2 4-inch Extra Heavy Water Bends.

98. 10 lengths Extra Heavy 2-inch Pipe.

99. 4 ½ 2-inch Extra Heavy Bends.

100. 6 boxes Lead Plate Roofing Tin, 14 by 20.

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

Delivery will be required to be made from time to time, and in such quantities as may be directed by the said Commissioner.

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in an well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect, and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract, by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, each in the penal amount of fifty (50) per cent. of the bid for each article.

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him or them therein, and if no other person be so interested it shall distinctly state that fact; also that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Municipal Assembly, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof.

The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance, and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same they shall pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting; the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by section 12 of chapter 7 of the Revised Ordinances of The City of New York, if the contract shall be awarded to the person or persons for whom he consents to become surety. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered to be approved by the Comptroller of The City of New York.

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

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

Bidders will state the price for each article, by which the bids will be tested.

The quality of the articles, supplies, goods, wares and merchandise must conform in every respect to the samples of the same on exhibition at the office of the said Department, or, in the absence of samples, to the printed specifications. Bidders are cautioned to examine the specifications for particulars of the articles, etc., required before making their estimates. Bidders will write out the amount of their estimates in addition to inserting the same in figures.

Payment will be made by a requisition on the Comptroller, in accordance with the terms of the contract, or from time to time, as the Commissioner may determine.

The form of the contract, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment and other details, will be furnished at the office of the Department, No. 148 East Twentieth street, New York City, and bidders are cautioned to examine each and all of its provisions carefully, as the Commissioner will insist upon its absolute enforcement in every particular.

FRANCIS J. LANTRY,
Commissioner of Correction.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 1018 OF THE Greater New York Charter, the Comptroller of The City of New York hereby gives public notice to all persons, owners of property, affected by the following assessments for LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS, in the BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN.

TWENTY-FOURTH WARD.

PROSPECT PLACE.—GRADING AND PAVING, from Brooklyn avenue to Kingston avenue. Area of Assessment: Both sides of Prospect place, from Brooklyn avenue to Kingston avenue, and to the extent of half the blocks on the terminating avenues; also, lots numbered 37 and 38 of Block No. 88.

TWENTY-NINTH WARD.

AVENUE B.—GRADING AND PAVING, from Flatbush avenue to Ocean parkway. Area of assessment: Both sides of Avenue B, from Flatbush avenue to Ocean parkway and to the extent of half the blocks on the intersecting and terminating streets and avenues. —that the same were confirmed by the Board of Assessors on October 31, 1899, and entered on November 1, 1899, in the Record of Titles of Assessments Confirmed, kept in the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, and unless the amount assessed for benefit on any person or property shall be paid within sixty days after the date of said entry of the assessment, interest will be collected thereon, as provided in section 1019 of said Greater New York Charter.

Said section provides that, "If any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said Record of Titles of Assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment to charge, collect and receive interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, to be calculated from the date of such entry to the date of payment." The above assessments are payable to the Collector of Assessments and Arrears at the office of the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, in the Municipal Building, Borough of Brooklyn, between the hours of

A. M. and 2 P. M., and on Saturdays from 9 A. M. to 12 M., and all payments made thereon or before January 2, 1900, will be exempt from interest, as above provided and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from the date of entry in the Record of Titles of Assessments in said Bureau to the date of payment.

BIRD S. COLER,
Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, November 2, 1899.

NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS AND TENEMENTS WITHIN THAT PART OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK KNOWN AS THE BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN AND THE BRONX, FOR UNPAID ASSESSMENTS.

WHEREAS, SECTION 1020 OF THE "Greater New York Charter" authorizes the Comptroller, in his discretion, to postpone any sale for unpaid taxes and assessments; and

Whereas, Many persons desire, and have applied for, a postponement of the sale for unpaid assessments advertised to be held on Wednesday, September 6, 1899; now, therefore, in order to afford all such persons the opportunity to pay the assessments upon their property so advertised to be sold, and thereby avoid the additional expense of redemption of the property if sold, the said sale is hereby ordered to be postponed until Monday, the 4th day of December, 1899, to be held at the same time and place, to wit: at the Court-house, City Hall Park, at 1 o'clock P. M.

BIRD S. COLER,
Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, September 5, 1899.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF TAXES,
NO. 57 CHAMBERS STREET (STEWART BUILDING),
NEW YORK, November 1, 1899.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL PERSONS whose taxes for the year 1899 remain unpaid on the 1st day of November of the said year, that unless the same shall be paid to the Receiver of Taxes, at his office in the borough in which the property is located, as follows:

Borough of Manhattan, No. 57 Chambers street, Manhattan, N. Y.
Borough of The Bronx, corner Third and Tremont avenues, The Bronx, N. Y.
Borough of Brooklyn, Rooms 2, 4, 6 and 8, Municipal Building, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Borough of Queens, corner Jackson avenue and Fifth street, Long Island City, N. Y.
Borough of Richmond, Richmond Building, New Brighton, Staten Island, N. Y.

—on or before the 1st day of December of said year, he will charge, receive and collect upon such taxes so remaining unpaid on that day, in addition to the amount of such taxes, one per centum on the amount thereof, as provided by section 916 of the Greater New York Charter (chapter 378, Laws of 1897).

DAVID E. AUSTEN,
Receiver of Taxes.

PETER F. MEYER, AUCTIONEER.

CORPORATION SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of The City of New York, by virtue of the powers vested in them by law, will offer for sale at public auction, on

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 1899,

at 12 o'clock M., at the Comptroller's Office, No. 280 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, all the right, title and interest of The City of New York, in and to the several parcels of land and premises situated in the County of Westchester, State of New York, being lands heretofore acquired for the purposes of the New Croton Aqueduct, the said several lots and parcels of land being designated and described by the original parcel numbers as shown on the maps filed by the Aqueduct Commissioners under chapter 490, Laws of 1883.

SHAFT SITE No. 1.

All those certain lots or parcels of land in the Town of Yorktown, known and described as follows: Parcel No. 865A, an irregular plot of land containing an area of 0.603 acres, adjoining the shaft site and fronting on the public road from Sing Sing to Croton Dam. Easement.

Parcels 865B and 866, forming together one plot of land containing a total area of 4.794 acres, fronting on the same public road from Sing Sing to Croton Dam. Easement.

Upset price, \$150.

SHAFT SITE No. 2.

All those certain lots or parcels of land in the Town of Newcastle, known and described as follows: Parcels Nos. 841 and 841½, forming together an irregular plot of land, containing a total area of 6.961 acres, the northerly side of which is on the line between the Towns of Yorktown and Newcastle. Easement.

Upset price, \$200.

SHAFT SITE No. 3.

All those certain lots or parcels of land in the Town of Newcastle, known and described as follows: Parcels Nos. 817 and 818, forming together a square plot of land containing a total area of 3.673 acres, near the public road known as the Sing Sing road. Easement.

Also parcel No. 820 in the same town, a triangular plot of land fronting on the same public road opposite the shaft site and contained 0.220 acres. Easement.

Upset price, \$120.

SHAFT SITE No. 4.

All that certain lot or parcel of land in the Town of Ossining, known and described as follows: Parcel 754, an oblong plot of land adjoining the southerly side of the shaft site and containing an area of 5.359 acres, near Mud Hill road to Sing Sing. Easement.

Upset price, \$160.

SHAFT SITE No. 5.

All those certain lots or parcels of land in the Town of Ossining known and described as follows: Parcels Nos. 712 A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, K, forming together an irregular plot, as shown on the said map, containing a total area of 3.028 acres, including a portion of the present highway on the southerly side of the plot. No easement.

Also at the same shaft site, Parcels Nos. 715½, 716½ and 718½, forming together a long oblong plot, containing an area of 3.861 acres, through which the Pocantico river runs, as shown on the said map. No easement.

Upset price, \$200.00.

SHAFT SITE No. 6.

All that certain lot or parcel of land in the Town of Ossining, known and described as follows: Parcel 750, an oblong plot of land near the Pleasantville road, containing an area of 5.202 acres. Easement.

Upset price, \$150.00.

SHAFT SITE No. 8.

All those certain lots or parcels of land in the Town of Mount Pleasant, known and described as follows: Parcels Nos. 712 A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, K, forming together an irregular plot, as shown on the said map, containing a total area of 3.028 acres, including a portion of the present highway on the southerly side of the plot. No easement.

Also at the same shaft site, Parcels Nos. 715½, 716½ and 718½, forming together a long oblong plot, containing an area of 3.861 acres, through which the Pocantico river runs, as shown on the said map. No easement.

Upset price, \$200.

SHAFT SITE No. 16.

All those certain lots or parcels of land in the City of Yonkers, known and described as follows: Parcels Nos. 281 and 282, forming together an oblong plot of land containing a total area of 5.591 acres, through which runs Sprain brook. No easement.

Upset price, \$170.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE.

All the lands to be sold adjoining any one shaft site shall be sold together and shall be considered as one lot.

The highest bidder will be required to pay twenty-five (25) per cent. of the purchase money and the auctioneer's fee on each of such lots of land at the time and place of sale and the balance, seventy-five (75) per cent. upon the delivery of the deeds within thirty (30) days from the date of sale.

The Comptroller may, at his option, resell any lot which may be struck off to the highest bidder, who may

fail to comply with the terms of the sale, and the party who may fail to comply therewith will be held liable for any deficiency that may result from such resale.

The lands on the line of the New Croton Aqueduct will be sold subject to a permanent easement therein by The City of New York, its successors and assigns, for the maintenance and preservation of the Aqueduct underneath the surface of said lands as the same now exists in certain parcels, as noted in the description.

The right to reject any bid is reserved. The maps of the several parcels of property to be sold may be seen upon application at the Comptroller's office, No. 280 Broadway, Room 55, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York.

By order of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, under resolution adopted July 31, 1899.

BIRD S. COLER,
Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, October 20, 1899.

PROPOSALS FOR \$4,765,000 OF THREE AND ONE-HALF PER CENT. CORPORATE STOCK OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYABLE IN GOLD.

EXEMPT FROM ALL TAXATION IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK, EXCEPT FOR STATE PURPOSES.

EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, GUARDIANS AND OTHERS HOLDING TRUST FUNDS ARE AUTHORIZED, BY CHAPTER 65 OF THE LAWS OF 1889, TO INVEST IN THIS STOCK.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE COMPTROLLER OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, at his office, No. 280 Broadway, in The City of New York, until

THURSDAY, THE 16th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1899,

at 2 o'clock P. M., when they will be publicly opened in the presence of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, or such of them as shall attend, as provided by law, for the whole or a part of the following-described Registered Stock of The City of New York, bearing interest at the rate of three and one-half per cent. per annum, from and including the date of payment thereof, to wit:

AMOUNT.	TITLE.	AUTHORITY.	PRINCIPAL PAYABLE.	INTEREST PAYABLE SEMI-ANNUALLY ON
\$1,000,000 00	Corporate Stock of The City of New York, for the Uses and Purposes of the Department of Docks and Ferries.....	Sections 169 and 180 of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897; and resolution of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of The City of New York, adopted September 15, 1899.	Nov. 1, 1929	May 1 and Nov. 1
500,000 00	Corporate Stock of The City of New York, for a New Hall of Records.....	Chapters 59 and 793 of the Laws of 1897, sections 169 and 170 of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897, resolution of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York, adopted February 3, 1899, and resolution of the Municipal Assembly, adopted by the Board of Aldermen, August 2, 1899, and by the Council August 9, 1899.....	Nov. 1, 1929.	May 1 and Nov. 1
1,365,000 00	Corporate Stock of The City of New York, for acquiring lands for a Public Park, bounded by One Hundred and Forty-fifth and One Hundred and Fifty-fifth streets and Edgecombe and Bradhurst avenues.....	Chapter 56, Laws of 1894; sections 169 and 170 of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897; resolution of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York, adopted June 29, 1899, and resolution of the Municipal Assembly, approved by the Mayor, September 26, 1899.....	Nov. 1, 1929	May 1 and Nov. 1
300,000 00	Corporate Stock of The City of New York for Fire Department purposes.....	Chapter 76 of the Laws of 1894, as amended by chapter 751 of the Laws of 1896; sections 169 and 170 of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897; resolution of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York, adopted May 3, 1899, and resolution of the Municipal Assembly, approved by the Mayor, November 1, 1899.....	Nov. 1, 1929	May 1 and Nov. 1
350,000 00	Corporate Stock of The City of New York for the Sanitary Protection of the Sources of the Water Supply....	Chapters 189 and 515 of the Laws of 1893; sections 169 and 170 of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897; resolution of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York, adopted January 24, 1899; and resolution of the Municipal Assembly approved by the Mayor July 18, 1899.....	Nov. 1, 1919	May 1 and Nov. 1
250,000 00	Corporate Stock of The City of New York, to Provide for an Additional Supply of Water	Sections 169 and 178 of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897; resolution of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York, adopted October 31, 1898, and resolution of the Municipal Assembly, approved by the Mayor October 24, 1899.....	Nov. 1, 1919	May 1 and Nov. 1
1,000,000 00	Corporate Stock of The City of New York, for the New Aqueduct...	Chapter 490 of the Laws of 1883; sections 169 and 170 of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897; and a resolution of the Aqueduct Commission of The City of New York, adopted June 13, 1899.....	Oct. 1, 1919	Apr. 1 and Oct. 1

The above-described stock is free and exempt from all taxation in the State of New York, except for State purposes, pursuant to the provisions of section 169 of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897.

The principal of and interest on said stock are payable in gold coin of the United States of America, of the present standard of weight and fineness, pursuant to a resolution of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund adopted June 9, 1898.

CONDITIONS OF SALE.

No proposal for stock shall be accepted for less than the par value of the same. Proposals containing conditions other than those herein set forth will not be received or considered. Every bidder, as a condition precedent to the reception or consideration of his proposal, shall deposit with the Comptroller in money, or by a certified check drawn to the order of said Comptroller upon one of the State or National Banks of the said city, TWO PER CENT. of the par value of the stock bid for in said proposal.

No proposal will be received or considered which is not accompanied by such deposit. All such deposits shall be returned by the Comptroller to the persons making the same within three days after the decision has been rendered as to who is or are the highest bidder or bidders, except the deposit made by the highest bidder or bidders.

If said highest bidder or bidders shall refuse or neglect, within five days after service of written notice of the award to him or them, to pay to the City Chamberlain the amount of the stock awarded to him or them at its par value, together with the premium thereon, less the amount deposited by him or them, the amount or amounts of deposit thus made shall be forfeited and retained by said city as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal, and shall thereafter be paid to the Sinking Fund of The City of New York for the Redemption of the City Debt.

Upon the payment into the City Treasury of the amounts due by the persons whose bids are accepted, respectively, certificates thereof shall be issued to them as authorized by law.

The proposals, together with the security deposits, should be inclosed in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Proposals for Bonds of The City of New York," and then inclosed in a sealed envelope, addressed to the Comptroller of The City of New York.

BIRD S. COLER, Comptroller.

THE CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, November 8, 1899.

ARMORY BOARD.

ARMORY BOARD—OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,
NEW YORK, November 11, 1899.
PROPOSALS FOR ESTIMATES FOR MATERIALS AND WORK IN FURNISHING AN ALTERATION AND IMPROVEMENT TO THE RIFLE RANGE IN THE FOURTEENTH REGIMENT ARMORY BUILDING, ON EIGHTH AVENUE, FOURTEENTH AND FIFTEENTH STREETS, IN THE BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN, AND AN ALTERATION TO THE SEVENTY-FIRST REGIMENT ARMORY BUILDING, ON FOURTH AVENUE, BETWEEN THIRTY-THIRD AND THIRTY-FOURTH STREETS, IN THE BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, NEW YORK CITY.

PROPOSALS FOR ESTIMATES FOR MATERIALS AND WORK IN FURNISHING AN ALTERATION AND IMPROVEMENT TO THE RIFLE RANGE IN THE FOURTEENTH REGIMENT ARMORY BUILDING, ON EIGHTH AVENUE, FOURTEENTH AND FIFTEENTH STREETS, IN THE BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN, AND AN ALTERATION TO THE SEVENTY-FIRST REGIMENT ARMORY BUILDING, ON FOURTH AVENUE, BETWEEN THIRTY-THIRD AND THIRTY-FOURTH STREETS, IN THE BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, NEW YORK CITY, will be received by the Armory Board, at the MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, UNTIL 11 O'CLOCK A. M.,

FRIDAY, THE 24TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1899,

at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read by said Board.

Any person making an estimate for the above work shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope to the President of said Armory Board, indorsed "Proposals for Estimates for Materials and Work in Furnishing an Alteration and Improvement to the Rifle Range in the Fourteenth Regiment Armory Building, on Eighth Avenue, Fourteenth and Fifteenth Streets, in the Borough of Brooklyn, and an Alteration to the Seventy-first Regiment Armory Building, on Fourth Avenue, between Thirty-third and Thirty-fourth Streets, in the Borough of Manhattan, New York City," and also with the name of the person or persons presenting the same, and the date of its presentation.

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect; and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract, by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, in the amount of TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000).

Bidders are required to submit their estimates upon the following express conditions, which shall apply to and become part of every estimate received:

1. Bidders must satisfy themselves by personal examination of the location of the proposed work, and by such other means as they may prefer, as to the accuracy of the estimate, and shall not at any time after the submission of an estimate dispute or complain of the statement of quantities, nor assert that there was any misunderstanding in regard to the nature or amount of the work to be done.

2. Bidders will be required to complete the entire work to the satisfaction of the Armory Board, and in substantial accordance with the specifications of the contract and the plans therein referred to. No extra compensation, beyond the amount payable for the work before mentioned, which shall be actually performed at the prices therefor, to be specified by the lowest bidder, shall be due or payable for the entire work.

Bidders will state in their estimates a price for the whole of the work to be done, in conformity with the approved form of contract and the specifications therein set forth, by which price the bids will be tested. This price is to cover all expenses of every kind involved in or incidental to the fulfillment of the contract, including any claim that may arise through delay, from any cause, in the performance of the work thereunder.

Bidders will distinctly write out, both in words and in figures, the amount of their estimates for doing this work.

The person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to attend at this office, with the sureties offered by him or them, and execute the contract within five days from the date of the service of a notice to that effect, and in case of failure or neglect so to do, he or they will be considered as having abandoned it and as in default to the Corporation, and the contract will be readvertised and relet, and so on until it be accepted and executed.

Bidders are required to state in their estimates their names and places of residence, the names of all persons interested with them therein, and if no other person be so interested the estimate shall distinctly state the fact; also, that the estimate is made without any connection with any other person making any estimate for the same purpose, and that it is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; and also that no member of the Municipal Assembly, 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 estimate 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 to by all the parties interested.

Each estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders of The City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person or persons making the estimate, they will, upon its being so awarded, become bound as his or their sureties for its faithful performance, and that if said person or persons shall omit or refuse to execute the contract they will pay to the Corporation of The City of New York any difference between the sum to which said person or persons would be entitled upon its completion and that which said Corporation or the Armory Board may be obliged to pay to the person to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work to be done by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in The City of New York and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of the contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety and otherwise, and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by law.

The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered is to be approved by the Comptroller of The City of New York after the award is made and prior to the signing of the contract.

No estimate will be received or considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the State or National banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100). Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Board who has charge of the estimate-book, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned by the Comptroller to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited and retained by The City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal, but if he shall execute the contract within

the time aforesaid the amount of his deposit will be returned to him by the Comptroller.

No estimate will be accepted from, or contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation, upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

Bidders are requested, in making their bids or estimates, to use a blank prepared for that purpose by the Board, a copy of which, together with the form of the agreement, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment for the work, can be seen upon application at the office of the Architects, Horgan & Slattery, No. 1 Madison Avenue, New York City. The Board reserves the right to reject any or all estimates not deemed beneficial to or for the public interest.

Specifications and blank forms for bids or estimates obtained by application to Horgan & Slattery, Architects, No. 1 Madison Avenue, New York City.

ROBERT A. VAN WYCK, Mayor,

THOS. L. FEITNER, President, Department of Taxes and Assessments,
HENRY S. KEARNY, Commissioner of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies,
BRIG-GEN. JAMES MCLEER, BRIG-GEN. MCCOSKRY BUTT, Armory Board Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED by the Committee on Buildings of the Board of Education of The City of New York, at the Hall of the Board, No. 146 Grand Street, Borough of Manhattan, until 4 o'clock P. M. on

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1899,

for erecting new Public School 124, Borough of Brooklyn; also for erecting a new Public School at White-stone, Borough of Queens; also for erecting an addition to and improving the premises of Public School 17, Borough of Richmond.

Dated BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, November 14, 1899.

RICHARD H. ADAMS,
CHARLES E. ROBERTSON,
GEORGE LIVINGSTON,
JOHN T. BURKE,
MILES M. O'BRIEN,
F. DE HASS SIMONSON,
JOHN R. THOMPSON,
Committee on Buildings.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED by the Committee on Buildings of the Board of Education of The City of New York, at the Hall of the Board, No. 146 Grand Street, Borough of Manhattan, until 4 o'clock P. M. on

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1899,

for Heating and Ventilating Apparatus and Electric-lighting Plant for Public School 30, Borough of Brooklyn.

Dated BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, November 9, 1899.

RICHARD H. ADAMS,
CHARLES E. ROBERTSON,
GEORGE LIVINGSTON,
JOHN T. BURKE,
MILES M. O'BRIEN,
F. DE HASS SIMONSON,
JOHN R. THOMPSON,
Committee on Buildings.

PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS

may be seen, and blank proposals obtained, at the Annex of the Hall of the Board of Education, Estimating Room, Nos. 419 and 421 Broome Street, Borough of Manhattan.

The attention of bidders is expressly called to the time stated in the contract within which the work must be completed. They are expressly notified that the successful bidder will be held strictly to completion within said time.

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

The party submitting a proposal and the parties proposing to become sureties, must each write his name and place of residence on said proposal.

Two responsible and approved sureties, residents of this city, are required when the amount of the bid is less than two thousand dollars. Whenever the bid exceeds two thousand dollars the surety for the performance of the contract shall be a fidelity or surety company authorized to transact business by the laws of the State of New York, and authorized to become surety on such contract by a resolution of its Board of Directors.

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

It is required, as a condition precedent to the reception or consideration of any proposals, that a certified check upon or a certificate of deposit of one of the State or National Banks or Trust Companies of The City of New York, drawn to the order of the President of the Board of Education, shall accompany the proposal to an amount of not less than three per cent. of such proposal when said proposal is for or exceeds ten thousand dollars, and to an amount of not less than five per cent. of such proposal when such proposal is for an amount under ten thousand dollars; that on demand, within one day after the awarding of the contract by the Committee, the President of the said Board will return all the deposits of checks and certificates of deposit made to the persons making the same, except that made by the person or persons whose bid has been accepted; and that if the person or persons whose bid has been so accepted shall refuse or neglect, within five days after due notice has been given that the contract is ready for execution, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit or of the check or certificate of deposit made by him or them shall be forfeited and retained by this Board, not as a penalty, but as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal, and shall be paid into the City Treasury to the credit of the Sinking Fund of The City of New York; but if the said person or persons whose bid has been so accepted shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his or their deposit of check or certificate of deposit shall be returned to him or them.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR CONVEYING pupils to and from the schools in the Borough of Queens, on every school-day, beginning November 16, 1899, or as soon as practicable thereafter, to and including December 22, 1899, will be received by the Committee on Supplies of the Board of Education, at the Hall of the Board, No. 146 Grand Street, until the

17TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1899,

at 4 P. M.

For terms of contract and for information as to further requirements, inquire of the Superintendent of School Supplies, No. 146 Grand Street, or the Superintendent of Schools, Borough of Queens, Morris Building, Flushing, N. Y.

The Committee reserves the right to reject any or all bids, if deemed for the public interest.

Dated New York, November 3, 1899.

THADDEUS MORIARTY,
JOHN GRIFFIN, M. D.,
JOSEPH J. KITTEL,
GEORGE LIVINGSTON,
WALDO H. RICHARDSON, M. D.,
Committee on Supplies.

NEW EAST RIVER BRIDGE COMMISSION.

COMMISSION NEW EAST RIVER BRIDGE,
CITY OF NEW YORK, November 9, 1899.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Proposals will be received by the Commissioners of the New East River Bridge, at their office, at No. 49 Chambers Street, in the Borough of Manhattan, in The City of New York, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of the

7th DAY OF DECEMBER, 1899,

indorsed "Proposal for Construction of Steel Cables, Suspenders, etc., of the New East River Bridge," for furnishing the materials for and constructing the steel cables, suspenders, cable bands, coverings, sheaves, and their appurtenances of the New East River Bridge, in accordance with the proposed form of contract and the drawings and specifications therefor. All bids shall be inclosed in sealed envelopes, addressed to Lewis Nixon, President of the Board of Commissioners of the New East River Bridge, and presented to him on that day and at that hour at said office, and such bids will be opened in public meeting by the said Commissioners on that day, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

Copies of the specifications and the general drawings for the work, with the proposed forms for the bid, bond and contract, may be seen and further information will be given at the office of the Chief Engineer, No. 84 Broadway, Borough of Brooklyn, City of New York, on and after the 13th day of November, 1899.

The Commissioners require that all bidders shall carefully examine the specifications, drawings and proposed form of contract, in order that no question as to their meaning may arise hereafter. It must be distinctly understood that no changes in the quality of the materials or of the workmanship will be allowed, and that the specifications will be adhered to strictly.

The contract is to be completely performed within ten months after the cable saddles are set in place upon the steel towers of the bridge.

Proposals will be made upon a form provided therefor, and only those proposals will be considered which are complete, in proper form, comply with the requirements herein stated, and are offered by parties of known reputation, experience and responsibility.

Each bidder will be required to deposit, with his proposal, in the office of the Commissioners, a certified check for \$12,000, payable to the order of Julian D. Fairchild, as Treasurer of the New East River Bridge Commissioners, as security for the execution by him of the contract and the giving of the required bond, if his bid is accepted, within two weeks after notice of the acceptance of his bid.

The contractor will be required to give a bond in the penal sum of \$500,000, in the form annexed to the proposed form of contract, with an approved surety company doing business in The City of New York, conditioned for the prompt and faithful performance of the contract and its covenants and the work thereunder.

As by far the greater part of this work can be executed only by bridge establishments of the first-class, bids will be received only from such parties as have the requisite plant and facilities, which have been in successful operation on work of similar character for at least one year. The bidders must be, in the opinion of the Commissioners, fully qualified, both by experience and in appliances, to execute work of this character and importance, according to the highest standard of such work at the present time.

The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any and all of the proposals offered, and to accept any proposal offered.

LEWIS NIXON, President.

JAMES D. BELL, Secretary.

THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE NEW EAST River Bridge will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, on the ground at Nos. 62 and 64 South Fifth Street, in the Borough of Brooklyn, in The City of New York, on

MONDAY, THE 20th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1899,

at ten o'clock in the forenoon, a 4-story brick building 49 feet by 100 feet, known as the Young & Smylie licorice factory, with all the materials in or appurtenant to said building and now on its site.

Said sale will be made upon and subject to the following conditions, and the purchaser, by paying his bid, will agree to said conditions and to perform all acts to be by him performed as stated therein.

CONDITIONS.

The whole purchase money must be paid in bankable funds at the time of the sale.

All the materials in said building shall be removed by the purchaser within thirty days after the date of the sale.

The first floor of the building above the ground must be left intact until the walls of the building are removed to the level of this floor, after which the walls will be removed to a depth at least 3 feet below the level of the ground about the building.

All the building materials of every description on the premises, except refuse brick, stone and mortar, shall be removed from the premises as rapidly as they are taken down.

For failure to remove such material in the manner or within the time named, the Commissioners may stop the work, and at the expiration of the time named may enter and remove the said materials, or cause a resale thereof, and said purchaser shall forfeit the purchase money paid by him at the time of sale.

The purchaser shall be liable for any and all damages of every kind by reason of the occupancy or removal of said building or his failure to remove the same within said time limit.

By order of the Board.

JAMES D. BELL, Secretary.

Dated November 6, 1899,
Auctioneer, Thomas A. Kerrigan.

OFFICIAL PAPERS.

MORNING—"MORNING JOURNAL," "TELEGRAPH."
Evening—"Daily News," "Commercial Advertiser."
Weekly—"Weekly Union."
Semi-weekly—"Harlem Local Reporter."
German—"Morgen Journal."

WILLIAM A. BUTLER,
Supervisor, City Record.
SEPTEMBER 6, 1899.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS.

CITY OF NEW YORK,
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, NOS. 13-21 PARK ROW,
BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, November 6, 1899.

NOTICE OF SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION.

ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1899, AT 11 o'clock A. M., the Department of Highways will sell at public auction, by Philip A. Smyth, Auctioneer, the following buildings, parts of buildings, sheds, walls, fences, etc., standing within the lines of Melrose Avenue, from One Hundred and Sixty-third Street to the junction

of Webster Avenue and Brook Avenue at East One Hundred and Sixty-fifth Street, Borough of The Bronx:

No.	OBJECT.	APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS.
1	Entire two-story Frame Dwelling, Brick Basement Part of two-story and Basement Brick Dwelling	20.19 x 35.27.
	Water-closet	4.03 x 31.17.
	Wood Shed	4.7 x 6.7.
	Wood Shed	8.7 x 26.8.
	Wood Shed	6.6 x 20.0.
	Wood Shed	3.9 x 10.8.
	Frame Shed	6.2 x 15.4.
	Vine Arbor	About 30 lin. ft.
	Board Fence	About 15.9 lin. ft.
	Storm Shed, Wooden Platform and Steps	10.91 x 3.0.
	Picket Fence	About 90 lin. ft.
	Part of Wooden Platform, etc.	
2	Entire 2-story Frame Dwelling, Brick Basement	20.28 x 23.15.
	Entire 1-story Frame Extension	20.28 x 16.08.
	Part of Wooden Platform	
	Water-closet	3.7 x 4.1.
	Vine Arbor	About 60 lin. ft.
	Wood-shed	9.8 x 12.2.
	Wood-shed	9.5 x 4.7.
	Stone Steps, etc.	2.9 x 6.2.
	Picket Fence	About 100 lin. feet.
3	Entire 2-story Frame Dwelling, Brick Basement, Area Steps, etc.	18.23 x 24.15.
	Platform and Wooden Steps	
	Part of 1 Story Frame Dwelling	5.43 x 30.16.
	Picket Fence	about 50 lin. ft.

The sale will begin with Lot No. 1. Plans and descriptions of the buildings, parts of buildings and other structures may be seen at the office of the Deputy Commissioner of Highways, Third Avenue and One Hundred and Seventy-seventh Street, Borough of The Bronx.

TERMS OF SALE.

Cash payment in bankable funds at the time and place of sale, and the entire removal of the buildings, parts of buildings, or other structures, by the purchaser or purchasers within ten days after the sale. If the purchaser or purchasers fails or fail to remove the buildings, part of buildings, or other structures, within the time specified, he or they shall forfeit his or their purchase money and the ownership of the buildings or parts of buildings purchased.

JAMES P. KEATING,
Commissioner of Highways.

DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY.

DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, November 8, 1899.

NOTICE OF SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION.

ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 1899, AT 11 o'clock A. M., the Department of Water Supply will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, by Messrs. Peter F. Meyer & Co., Auctioneers, at the Department Pipe Yard, foot of East Twenty-fourth Street, Borough of Manhattan, About 150 tons of old cast-iron. 5 tons of old wrought-iron and steel. 500 pounds of old composition metal.

TERMS OF SALE.

Cash payment in bankable funds at the time and place of sale. Bidders must name a price per ton for the old cast-iron, wrought-iron and steel, and a price per pound for the old composition metal. No bid will be received except for the entire lot of iron, steel and composition metal. The purchaser must remove all the material from the Pipe Yard within thirty days after the sale, otherwise he will forfeit the money paid at the time of sale, and the ownership to the material, which will thereafter be resold for the benefit of the City. The purchaser must remove the material as directed by the officer of the Department in charge at the Pipe Yard, and will not be allowed to select material for removal at will.

WM. DALTON,
Commissioner of Water Supply.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
MAIN OFFICE, NOS. 13 TO 21 PARK ROW,
BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN.

Borough of Brooklyn.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR CONTRACT.

REMOVAL OF SNOW AND ICE FROM THE PAVED AVENUES, STREETS, LANES, ALLEYS AND PLACES, OR PORTIONS THEREOF OF THE BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN, DESIGNATED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF STREET CLEANING, FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING WITH THE DATE OF EXECUTION AND ENDING THE 15TH DAY OF APRIL, 1900, INCLUSIVE.

N. B.—Under sections 239, 419, 534 and 541 of the Greater New York Charter.

Bids or proposals for the above contract inclosed in sealed envelopes, indorsed with the title of the work, and with the names and address of the persons making the same, and the date of presentation, will be received at the Main Office of the Department of Street Cleaning, at Nos. 13 and 21 Park Row, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, until 12 M. of Friday, the 24th day of November, 1899, at which time and place the said bids or proposals will be publicly opened and read.

The person or persons to whom the said contract may be awarded will be required to execute the same within five (5) days after the receipt of a notice to that effect, and in case of failure or neglect so to do, he or they will be considered as having abandoned it, and the Commissioner of Street Cleaning may readvertise and relet the work, and so on until the contract be accepted and executed.

Bidders are required to state under oath or affirmation in their bids or proposals their names and places of residence, the names of all persons interested with

them therein, and if no other person be so interested they shall distinctly state that fact; also that the bid or proposal is made without any connection with any other person making a bid or proposal for the above work; and that it is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and also that no member of the Municipal Assembly, head of a department, deputy thereof, or clerk therein, chief of a bureau, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in any of the work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. Where more than one person is interested it is required that both the bid or proposal and the affidavit thereon be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or proposal must be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, or of two guaranty or surety companies, duly authorized by law to act as sureties, as shall be satisfactory to the Comptroller of the City of New York, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person or persons making the bid or proposal, they will, upon its being so awarded, become bound as his or their sureties for its faithful performance in the amount of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000); and that if he or they shall omit or refuse to execute the contract, they will pay to the City of New York any difference between the sum to which he or they would be entitled on its completion and that which the City of New York may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be subsequently awarded, the amount to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids or proposals are tested.

The consent above mentioned must be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of security required for the completion of the contract and stated in the bid or proposal, over and above his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as surety in good faith, and with the intention to execute the bond required by law, and a like affidavit as to sufficiency shall be required of an officer of a guaranty or surety company, so consenting. The adequacy and sufficiency of the sureties offered shall be subject to approval by the Comptroller of the City of New York.

A special deposit of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), in lawful money of the United States will be required to be made with the Comptroller of the City of New York on or before the execution of said contract; said deposit to be retained by the said Comptroller, as provided in the contract, as an additional security for the purpose described in said contract.

The compensation of the Contractor is to be for the ascertained number of cubic yards of snow and ice removed and disposed of by him, at the price bid by him per cubic yard.

The price must be given in the bids or proposals and must be for so much per cubic yard and must be written, and must also be given in figures.

Permission will not be given for the withdrawal of any bid or proposal, and the right is expressly reserved by the Commissioner of Street Cleaning to reject all of the bids or proposals should he deem it for the interests of the city so to do. No bids or proposals will be accepted from, nor will the contract be awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation, upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

The acceptance of a bid or proposal for this contract will be subject to the approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

No bid or proposal will be received or considered, unless accompanied either by a certified check upon one of the National or State banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money, to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the surety bond aforesaid, required for the faithful performance of the contract. Such check or money must not be included in the sealed envelope containing the bid or proposal, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the estimate-box, and no bid or proposal can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the award of the contract. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and be retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

By the terms of the contract the Contractor is to observe the Labor Laws as amended by chapter 507 of the Laws of 1899, and will agree that he will pay all persons employed by him in shoveling snow, and all persons furnishing him with horses and carts, or other vehicles and labor for the work, without unnecessary loss of time to them and at least once a week, and that for this purpose he shall at all times provide suitable and convenient places of payment, and the necessary funds, and all proper facilities for said payment, as provided for in said contract.

All bids or proposals must be made with reference to this notice to Contractors, and to the form of contract and the requirements thereof on file at the Main Office of the Department of Street Cleaning, or, being not so made, they will be rejected.

The forms of bids or proposals and of the agreement, including the specifications, and the manner of payment for the work, and any further information will be furnished upon application at the Main Office of the Department of Street Cleaning, Nos. 13 to 21 Park Row, Borough of Manhattan.

N.B.—This notice to Contractors is, and is to be taken, to be a part of the contract.

Dated NEW YORK, November 11, 1899.

JAMES MCCARTNEY,
Commissioner of Street Cleaning.

PERSONS HAVING BULKHEADS TO FILL, IN the vicinity of New York Bay, can procure material for that purpose—ashes, street sweepings, etc., such as is collected by the Department of Street Cleaning—free of charge, by applying to the Commissioner of Street Cleaning, Nos. 13 to 21 Park Row Borough of Manhattan.

JAMES MCCARTNEY,
Commissioner of Street Cleaning

MUNICIPAL CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

MUNICIPAL CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
CENTRE, ELM, FRANKLIN AND WHITE STREETS,
NEW YORK, November 11, 1899.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT open competitive examinations will be held at the offices of this Commission for the following positions, upon the dates specified:

Wednesday, November 15, 6.30 P.M. **TEMPORARY CLERKS.** The term of employment will not exceed 90 days. Special attention will be paid to quickness and accuracy at figures and good, legible handwriting. Subjects of examination: Spelling, dictation, handwriting, arithmetic and letter-writing. No notice to appear for this examination will be issued on any application filed after Monday, November 13, 1899.

Monday, November 27, 10 A.M. **EXAMINERS OF DEPENDENT CHILDREN.** Subjects of ex-

amination: Letter-writing, arithmetic, experience and general paper.

Tuesday, November 28, 10 A.M. **INSPECTORS OF PLUMBING, LIGHT AND VENTILATION.** Subjects of examination: Writing, arithmetic, technical knowledge and experience.

LEE PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

SUPREME COURT.

FIRST DEPARTMENT.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening EAST ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FOURTH STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from Jerome avenue to Sheridan avenue, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE bill of costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter, up to and including the 30th day of October, 1899, will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, First Department, at a Special Term thereof, Part I., to be held at the County Court-house, in the Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on the 24th day of November, 1899, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon; and that the said bill of costs, charges and expenses, up to and including the 30th day of October, 1899, has been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the County of New York, there to remain for and during the space of ten days, as required by the provisions of section 999 of title 4 of chapter 19, of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897.

Dated BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, NEW YORK, October 30, 1899.

CHARLES W. WEST,
WILLIAM STAINTON,
CHARLES O'BRIEN,
Commissioners.

JOHN P. DUNN,
Clerk.

FIRST DEPARTMENT.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening EAST ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIFTH STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from Third avenue to Boston road, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, COMMISSIONERS of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to all persons interested in this proceeding, and to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots and improved and unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First—That we have completed our estimate of damage, and that all persons interested in this proceeding, or in any of the lands, tenements and hereditaments and premises affected thereby, and having objections thereto, do present their said objections in writing, duly verified, to us, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 1st day of December, 1899, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on the 4th day of December, 1899, at 3 o'clock P.M.

Second—That the abstract of our said estimate of damage, together with our damage maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates, proofs and other documents used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the Bureau of Street Openings of the Law Department of the City of New York, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, in said city, there to remain until the 6th day of December, 1899.

Third—That we propose to assess for benefit, which assessment will appear in our last partial and separate abstract of estimate and assessment, and will be contained in our last partial and separate report all those lands, tenements and hereditaments and premises situate, lying and being in the Borough of The Bronx, in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of a line drawn parallel to the southerly side of East One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street and distant 100 feet southerly therefrom with the easterly side of Park avenue (formerly Vanderbilt avenue East), running thence northerly along said easterly side of Park avenue (formerly Vanderbilt avenue East), to its intersection with a line drawn parallel to the northerly side of East One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street and distant 100 feet northerly therefrom; thence easterly along said parallel line to the middle line of the block between Bathgate avenue and Third avenue; thence northerly along said middle line of the block to its intersection with a line drawn parallel to the northerly side of East One Hundred and Seventy-sixth street and distant 100 feet northerly therefrom; thence easterly along said parallel line to the westerly side of Third avenue; thence easterly to the intersection of the easterly side of Arthur avenue with a line drawn parallel to the northerly side of East One Hundred and Seventy-sixth street and distant 100 feet northerly therefrom; thence easterly along said parallel line to the westerly side of West Farms road; thence southerly along said westerly side of West Farms road to its intersection with the middle line of the block between East One Hundred and Seventy-fourth street and East One Hundred and Seventy-sixth street; thence westerly along said middle line and the middle line of the block between East One Hundred and Seventy-fourth street and East One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street; thence westerly to the intersection of the southerly side of Crotona Park, East, with the westerly side of the Southern Boulevard; thence northerly along said westerly side of the Southern Boulevard to the northerly side of Crotona Park, East; thence westerly along said northerly side of Crotona Park, East, and its continuation westerly to its junction with a line drawn parallel to the southerly side of Crotona Park, North, and distant 100 feet southerly therefrom; thence westerly by said parallel line to its intersection with the easterly prolongation of the middle line of the block between East One Hundred and Seventy-fourth street and East One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street; thence westerly along said easterly prolongation and middle line of the block to the middle line of the block between Third avenue and Bathgate avenue; thence northerly along said middle line of the block to its intersection with a line drawn parallel to the southerly side of East One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street and distant 100 feet southerly therefrom; thence westerly along said parallel line to the point or place of beginning.

Fourth—That our first partial and separate report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, First Department, at a Special Term thereof, Part III., to be held in the County Court-house, in the Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on the 18th day of December, 1899, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, NEW YORK CITY, November 3, 1899.

RIGNAL D. WOODWARD,
Chairman,
EDWARD JACOBS,
LOUIS SEIDE,
Commissioners.

JOHN P. DUNN,
Clerk.

FIRST DEPARTMENT.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening CLIFFORD PLACE (although not yet named by proper authority), from Jerome avenue to Walton avenue, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, COMMISSIONERS of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to all persons interested in this proceeding, and to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots and improved and unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First—That we have completed our estimate of damage, and that all persons interested in this proceeding, or in any of the lands, tenements and hereditaments and premises affected thereby, and having objections thereto, do present their said objections in writing, duly verified, to us at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 1st day of December, 1899, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on the 4th day of December, 1899, at 3.30 o'clock P.M.

Second—That the abstract of our said estimate of damage, together with our damage maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates, proofs and other documents used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the Bureau of Street Openings of the Law Department of the City of New York, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, in said city, there to remain until the 6th day of December, 1899.

Third—That we propose to assess for benefit, which assessment will appear in our last partial and separate abstract of estimate and assessment, and will be contained in our last partial and separate report, all those lands, tenements and hereditaments and premises situate, lying and being in the Borough of The Bronx, in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of a line drawn parallel to the southerly side of Featherbed Lane and distant 100 feet southerly therefrom with a line drawn parallel to the westerly side of Jerome avenue and distant 160 feet westerly therefrom; running thence northerly along said parallel line to its intersection with the westerly prolongation of a line drawn parallel to the northerly side of East One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street and distant 100 feet northerly therefrom; thence easterly along said westerly prolongation and parallel line to the northwesterly side of the Grand Boulevard and Concourse; thence southerly along said northwesterly side of the Grand Boulevard and Concourse to its intersection with a line drawn parallel to the southerly side of East One Hundred and Seventy-fourth street, and distant 100 feet southerly therefrom; thence westerly along said parallel line and a line drawn parallel to the southerly side of Featherbed Lane and distant 100 feet southerly therefrom to the point or place of beginning.

Fourth—That our first partial and separate report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, First Department, at a Special Term thereof, Part III., to be held in the County Court-house, in the Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on the 18th day of December, 1899, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, NEW YORK CITY, November 3, 1899.

J. PHILIP BERG, Chairman,
EDWARD F. HOLLISTER,
Commissioners.

JOHN P. DUNN,
Clerk.

FIRST DEPARTMENT.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening RYER AVENUE (although not yet named by proper authority), from Tremont avenue to Burnside avenue, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, COMMISSIONERS of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to all persons interested in this proceeding, and to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots and improved and unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First—That we have completed our estimate of damage, and that all persons interested in this proceeding, or in any of the lands, tenements and hereditaments and premises affected thereby, and having objections thereto, do present their said objections in writing, duly verified, to us, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 29th day of November, 1899, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on the 1st day of December, 1899, at 11 o'clock A.M.

Second—That the abstract of our said estimate of damage, together with our damage maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates, proofs and other documents used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the Bureau of Street Openings of the Law Department of the City of New York, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, in said city, there to remain until the 7th day of December, 1899.

Third—That we propose to assess for benefit, which assessment will appear in our last partial and separate abstract of estimate and assessment, and will be contained in our last partial and separate report, all those lands, tenements and hereditaments and premises situate, lying and being in the Borough of The Bronx, in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the middle line of the block between Tremont avenue and Buckhout street, with the southeasterly side of the Grand Boulevard and Concourse; running thence northeasterly along said southeasterly side of the Grand Boulevard and Concourse to the middle line of the block between East One Hundred and Seventy-ninth street and Bush street; thence easterly along said middle line of the block to its intersection with a line drawn parallel to the westerly side of Anthony avenue and distant 100 feet westerly therefrom; thence northerly along said parallel line to the southwesterly side of Burnside avenue; thence easterly on a straight line to the intersection of the northeasterly side of Burnside avenue with the middle line of the block between Anthony avenue and the Grand Boulevard and Concourse; thence northeasterly along said middle line of the block to the middle line of the block between Burnside avenue and East One Hundred

and Eightieth street; thence southeasterly along said middle line of the block to its intersection with a line drawn parallel to the northwesterly side of Ryer avenue and distant 100 feet northwesterly therefrom; thence northeasterly along said parallel line to the middle line of the block between East One Hundred and Eighty-first street and East One Hundred and Eighty-second street; thence southeasterly along said middle line of the block to its intersection with a line drawn parallel to the southeasterly side of Ryer avenue and distant 100 feet southeasterly therefrom; thence southwesterly along said parallel line to its intersection with a line drawn parallel to the northwesterly side of East One Hundred and Eightieth street and distant 100 feet northeasterly therefrom; thence southeasterly along said parallel line to its intersection with a line drawn parallel to the southeasterly side of Valentine avenue and distant 100 feet southeasterly therefrom; thence southwesterly along said parallel line to its intersection with a line drawn parallel to the northwesterly side of East One Hundred and Seventy-ninth street and distant 100 feet northeasterly therefrom; thence southeasterly along said parallel line to its intersection with a line drawn parallel to the southeasterly side of Webster avenue and distant 100 feet southeasterly therefrom; thence southwesterly along said parallel line to the middle line of the block between East One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street and East One Hundred and Seventy-sixth street; thence northwesterly along said middle line of the block and its prolongation northwesterly to its intersection with a line drawn parallel to the northwesterly side of Carter avenue and distant 100 feet northwesterly therefrom; thence northeasterly along said parallel line to its intersection with a line drawn parallel to the southerly side of East One Hundred and Seventy-sixth street and distant 100 feet southerly therefrom; thence westerly along said parallel line to its intersection with a line drawn parallel to the westerly side of Anthony avenue and distant 100 feet westerly therefrom; thence northerly along said parallel line to the middle line of the block between Mount Hope place and Tremont avenue; thence westerly along said middle line of the block to the middle line of the block between Anthony avenue and Monroe avenue; thence northerly along said middle line of the block to the middle line of the block between Tremont avenue and Buckhout street; thence westerly along said middle line of the block to the point or place of beginning.

Fourth—That our first partial and separate report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, First Department, at a Special Term thereof, Part III., to be held in the County Court-house, in the Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on the 18th day of December, 1899, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, NEW YORK CITY, November 3, 1899.

EDWARD E. MC CALL,
WILLIAM J. CARROLL,
Commissioners.

JOHN P. DUNN,
Clerk.

FIRST DEPARTMENT.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening EAST ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SEVENTH STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from Jerome avenue to the Grand Boulevard and Concourse, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, COMMISSIONERS of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to all persons interested in this proceeding, and to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots and improved and unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First—That we have completed our estimate of damage, and that all persons interested in this proceeding, or in any of the lands, tenements and hereditaments and premises affected thereby, and having objections thereto, do present their said objections in writing, duly verified, to us at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 29th day of November, 1899, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on the 1st day of December, 1899, at 3 o'clock P.M.

Second—That the abstract of our said estimate of damage, together with our damage maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates, proofs and other documents used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the Bureau of Street Openings of the Law Department of the City of New York, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, in said city, there to remain until the 7th day of December, 1899.

Third—That the limits of our assessment for benefit include all those lands, tenements and hereditaments and premises situate, lying and being in the Borough of The Bronx, in the City of New York, which taken together, are bounded and described as follows, viz.: Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the westerly prolongation of the middle line of the blocks between Mount Hope place and East One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street with a line drawn parallel to the westerly side of Jerome avenue, and distant 100 feet westerly therefrom; running thence northerly along said parallel line to its intersection with the westerly prolongation of the middle line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street and Tremont avenue; thence easterly along said westerly prolongation and middle line, and its prolongation easterly to the southwesterly side of Tremont avenue; thence southeasterly along the southwesterly side of Tremont avenue to the westerly side of the Grand Boulevard and Concourse; thence southerly along the westerly side of the Grand Boulevard and Concourse to its intersection with the middle line of the blocks between Mount Hope place and East One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street; thence westerly along said middle line and its westerly prolongation to the point or place of beginning; Excepting from said area all streets, avenues, roads or portions thereof heretofore legally opened as such area is shown upon our benefit map deposited as aforesaid.

Fourth—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, First Department, at a Special Term thereof, Part III., to be held in the County Court-house, in the Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on the 18th day of December, 1899, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, NEW YORK CITY, October 26, 1899.

GEORGE GORDON BATTLE,
Chairman,
PATRICK A. McMANUS,
ARTHUR TERRY,
Commissioners.

JOHN P. DUNN,
Clerk.

FIRST DEPARTMENT.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening AVENUE ST. JOHN (although not yet named by proper authority), from Prospect avenue to Timpson

Supervisor.