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BOARD OF ASSISTANT ALDERMEN.

MONDAY, April 13, 1874.
2 o'clock, P. M.

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

PRESENT:

JOSEPH P. STRACK, ESQ., President, in the chair, and the following members:

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

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

PETITIONS.

By Assistant Alderman Simonson—
Petition of G. C. Kuschman.
Which was referred to the Joint Committee on Accounts.

By Assistant Alderman Cumisky—
A petition from a committee of the Working-men's Central Council, asking that the public work be done by day's work.
Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Assistant Alderman Foley—
Resolved, That William H. McCorkle, be and he is hereby re-appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, his term having expired.

Which was adopted by the following vote:
Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Sommers—19.

By Assistant Aldermen Keating—
Resolved, That the sidewalk on south side of Cherry street from Rutgers street to Pike street, be flagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

By the same—
Resolved, That the sidewalk on south side of Water street from Rutgers street to Pike street, be flagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

By the same—
Resolved, That Edward J. Fitzgerald be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of James Mahon, whose term of office has expired.

Which was adopted.

By Assistant Alderman Healy—
Resolved, That John L. Lynch be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place and stead of John J. Maloney, whose term of office has expired.

Which was adopted by the following vote:
Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Sommers—19.

By Assistant Alderman Theiss—
Resolved, That Jno. J. Tindal be and he is hereby re-appointed a Commissioner of Deeds, his term of office having expired.

Which was adopted by the following vote:
Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Ke-

nan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Sommers, Beyea—19.

Negative—Assistant Alderman Beyea—1.

By Assistant Alderman Codington—
Resolved, That George W. Bogert be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place and stead of John Nugent, whose term of office has expired.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Keenan, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Beyea—11.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Wade, Kehoe, Sommers—9.

By the same—
Resolved, That Pascal T. Southern be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place and stead of John Godman, whose term of office has expired.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Keenan, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Sommers, Beyea—12.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Wade, Kehoe—8.

G. O. 502.

By the same—
Resolved, That the sidewalk on south side of Fourteenth street, between Ninth avenue west to No. 442, be flagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

By Assistant Alderman Kreps—
Resolved, That Benjamin F. Carpenter be and he is hereby re-appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, his term of office having expired.

Assistant Alderman Clancy moved to refer to Committee on Salaries and Offices, which was lost.

And the resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Sommers—15.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Beyea—5.

G. O. 503.

By Assistant Alderman Simonson—
Resolved, That on both sides of Fifty-fourth street, from Sixth to Seventh avenues, curb and gutter stones be re-set, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 504.

By the same—
Resolved, That on both sides of Sixty-fourth street, from Boulevard to Tenth avenue, curb and gutter stones be set, and the sidewalks be flagged and re-flagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 505.

By Assistant Alderman Sommers—
Resolved, That lamp-posts be erected and street lamps lighted on the west side of First avenue, from Sixty-second to Sixty-third streets, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 506.

By the same—
Resolved, That the sidewalk on south side of Fifty-seventh street, between the Second and Third avenues, commencing at No. 210 and ending at No. 220, be flagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

By the same—
Resolved, That Isaiah Keyser be and he is hereby re-appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Sommers—14.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Healy, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Beyea—6.

By Assistant Alderman Beyea—
Resolved, That Henry L. Robertson be and he is hereby re-appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

G. O. 507.

By Assistant Alderman Thornell—
Resolved, That on both sides of Thirtieth or Exterior avenue, between Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth streets, curb and gutter stones be

set, and the sidewalks be flagged and re-flagged full width, where not already done (half the block), under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

Assistant Alderman Sommers moved that the Committee on Public Works be discharged from further consideration of a resolution to permit the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company to build projections on the new building on the corner of Courtlandt and New Church streets.

Which was agreed to and the paper was laid over and is as follows:

G. O. 508.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company, to project at certain places as shown on the accompanying diagram the outer walls of their new building now in the course of erection on the south-east corner of Courtlandt and New Church streets. That the projections not to exceed eight and a half inches, except at the main entrance on Courtlandt, which is not to exceed four feet and six inches, the same to be done under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and such permission hereby given to remain only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

REPORTS.

The Committee on Lamps and Gas of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution from the Board of Aldermen, in favor of adopting a resolution to allow John McGauran to place two ornamental lamps in front of his premises 51 Sixth avenue, at his own expense, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having carefully examined the subject, they are in favor of giving the permission asked for. They are, therefore, in favor of concurring with the Board of Aldermen in adopting said resolution, and accordingly respectfully recommend that such action be had thereon by this Board.

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to John McGauran to place and keep one ornamental lamp in front of his place of business, No. 51 Sixth avenue, at his own expense, the gas to be supplied from his own meter, and the work to be done under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, not to exceed in dimensions the ordinary street lamp-post, the permission hereby given to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

THOMAS FOLEY,
EDWARD BRUCKS,
Committee on Lamps and Gas.

Which was adopted by the following vote:
Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Sommers, Beyea—20.

G. O. 509.

The Committee on Lamps and Gas of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution from the Board of Aldermen, in favor of permitting Charles F. Kopf to place and keep an ornamental lamp post and lamp opposite No. 159 Bowery, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having carefully examined the subject, they are in favor of granting the permission asked for. They are, therefore, in favor of concurring with the Board of Aldermen in adopting said resolution and ordinance, and accordingly respectfully recommend that such action be had thereon by this Board.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Charles F. Kopf to place and keep an ornamental lamp post and lamp opposite his premises, No. 159 Bowery, provided the said lamp post shall not exceed the dimensions of an ordinary street lamp post, the work to be done at his own expense, and gas supplied from his own meter, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and the permission hereby granted shall continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

THOMAS FOLEY,
EDWARD BRUCKS,
Committee on Lamps and Gas.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 510.

The Committee on Lamps and Gas of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution from the Board of Aldermen, in favor of laying gas mains, &c., in Eightieth street, from Second avenue to Avenue A, respectfully

REPORT:

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

Resolved, That gas mains be laid and street lamps lighted in Eightieth street, from Second avenue to Avenue A, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

THOMAS FOLEY,
EDWARD BRUCKS,
Committee on Lamps and Gas.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 511.

The Committee on Lamps and Gas of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution from the Board of Aldermen, in favor of permitting Robert L. Furrey to place lamp post and light street lamp in front of No. 51 W. Thirteenth street, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having carefully examined the subject, they are in favor of granting the permission asked for. They are, therefore, in favor of concurring with the Board of Aldermen in adopting said resolution, and accordingly respectfully recommend that such action be had thereon by this Board.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Robert L. Furrey to have lamp-posts erected and lamps lighted in front of his premises, No. 51 West Thirteenth street, provided the gas be supplied from his own meter, and the lamp-posts not to exceed in dimensions the ordinary street lamp-posts, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

THOMAS FOLEY,
EDWARD BRUCKS,
Committee on Lamps and Gas.

Which was laid over.

The Committee on Lamps and Gas of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of placing two gas lamps and lighting the same in front of Young Men's Christian Association Building corner of Twenty-third street and Fourth avenue, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having carefully examined the subject, they are in favor of the proposed improvement, believing the work to be necessary, and no objection having been made thereto. Accordingly, your Committee recommend that said resolution and ordinance be adopted.

Resolved, That two gas lamps be placed and the same lighted in front of the Twenty-third street entrance to the premises known as the Young Men's Christian Association Building, corner Twenty-third street and Fourth avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

THOMAS FOLEY,
EDWARD BRUCKS,
Committee on Lamps and Gas.

Assistant Alderman Clancy moved to recommend to the Committee on Lamps and Gas.

Which was carried.

The Committee on Lamps and Gas of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of laying gas mains, &c., in Fifty-second street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having carefully examined the subject, they are in favor of the proposed improvement, believing the work to be necessary, and no objection having been made thereto. Accordingly, your Committee recommend that said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That gas mains be laid, lamp posts erected, and street lamps lighted in Fifty-second street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

THOMAS FOLEY,
EDWARD BRUCKS,
Committee on Lamps and Gas.

Which was ordered on file.

G. O. 512.

The Committee on Lamps and Gas of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of laying gas mains, &c., in One hundred and twenty-third street, from Seventh to Eighth avenues, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having carefully examined the subject, they are in favor of the proposed improvement, believing the work to be necessary, and no objection having been made thereto. Accordingly, your Committee recommend that said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That gas mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street lamps lighted in One hundred and twenty-third street from the Seventh to the Eighth avenues under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

THOMAS FOLEY,
EDWARD BRUCKS,
Committee on Lamps and Gas.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 513.

The Committee on Lamps and Gas of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of laying gas mains, &c., in Fifty-first street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having carefully examined the subject, they are in favor of the proposed improvement, believing the work to be necessary, and no objection having been made thereto. Accordingly, your Committee recommend that said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That gas mains be laid, and street

lamps lighted, in Fifty-first street between Sixth and Seventh avenues, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

THOMAS FOLEY,
EDWARD BRUCKS,
Committee on Lamps and Gas.

Which was laid over.

The Committee on Lamps and Gas of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution from the Board of Aldermen, in favor of permitting J. H. Rostern to an ornamental lamp in front of No. 300 West Twenty-second street, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having carefully examined the subject, they are in favor of the giving the permission asked for. They are, therefore, in favor of concurring with the Board of Aldermen in adopting said resolution, and accordingly respectfully recommend that such action be had thereon by this Board.

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to J. H. Rostern, to erect an ornamental lamp-post and lamp in front of his premises, No. 300 West Twenty-second street, provided the work be done at his own expense, under direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, the gas supplied from the metre on his premises, the post does not exceed in dimensions the ordinary street lamp-posts, and that the permission hereby given shall continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

THOMAS FOLEY,
EDWARD BRUCKS,
Committee on Lamps and Gas.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

G. O. 514.

The Committee on Lamps and Gas of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution from the Board of Aldermen, in favor of permitting Thomas Canary to place two lamps in front of his premises No. 172 Mercer street, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having carefully examined the subject, they are in favor of granting the permission asked for. They are, therefore, in favor of concurring with the Board of Aldermen in adopting said resolution, and accordingly respectfully recommend that such action be had thereon by this Board.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Thomas Canary to place two lamps in front of his premises, No. 172 Mercer street, the gas to be supplied from his own metre and the lamp-posts not to exceed in dimensions the ordinary street lamp-post; the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of Common Council.

THOMAS FOLEY,
EDWARD BRUCKS,
Committee on Lamps and Gas.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 515.

The Committee on Markets of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution from the Board of Aldermen, in favor of causing certain repairs to be made to Fulton Market, respectfully

REPORT:

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

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to have the roof of Fulton Market repaired and made water-tight, and the floors re-caulked, where necessary, and charge the amount to the appropriation for public buildings, construction and repairs.

GEORGE KELLY,
JOHN C. KEATING,
JOHN J. KEHOE,
BENJAMIN BEYEA,
Committee on Markets.

Which was laid over.

MOTIONS RESUMED.

Assistant Alderman Clancy moved that the Committee on Law Department be discharged from the further consideration of an ordinance to prevent goats from running at large in the City of New York.

Which was agreed to.

AN ORDINANCE to prevent goats from running at large in the city of New York.

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

Sec. 1. No goat shall be permitted to go at large in any of the streets, avenues, lanes, alleys, piers, wharves or public places in the city of New York, under the penalty of three dollars for every such goat which shall be found at large, to be paid by the owner or person having charge, care or keeping thereof.

Sec. 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances relative to swine and neat cattle running at large shall apply to this ordinance.

And the ordinance was concurred in by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Clancy, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Cumisky, Sommers, Beyea—14.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Healy, Keenan, Kelly, Simonson—6.

REPORTS RESUMED.

The Committee on Salaries and Offices of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution from the Board of Aldermen, in favor of re-appointing Francis Burke a Commissioner of Deeds, respectfully

REPORT:

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

Resolved, That Francis Burke be and he is hereby re-appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, his term of office having expired.

EDWARD BRUCKS,
HENRY WISSER,
JOHN J. KEHOE,

Committee on Salaries and Offices.

Assistant Alderman Simonson moved to re-commit.

Which was lost.

And the resolution was concurred in by the following vote:

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

COMMUNICATIONS.

Communication from Comptroller as follows:

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF
FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
April 4, 1874.

To Board of Assistant Aldermen:

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

Title of Appropriations.	Amt. of Appropriations.	Payments.
City Contingencies.	7,000 00	
Contingencies, Legislative Dept'.	1,500 00	18 28
Salaries, Legislative Department.	185,000 00	44,970 35

AND H. GREEN,
Comptroller.

Which was ordered on file.

PAPERS FROM THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

A Preamble and Resolution as follows:

To test the legality of taxing mortgages and directing the Counsel to Corporation to make a proper case to be taken before the Court of Appeals and Supreme Court of the United States.

Assistant Alderman Clancy moved to non-concur in the action of the Board of Aldermen.

Which was lost by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, the President, Keenan, Kehoe, Kelly, Beyea—8.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Kreps, Wade, Brucks, Simonson, Cumisky, Sommers, —12.

Assistant Aldermen Cumisky moved to refer the paper to the Committee on Law.

Which was lost by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Kehoe, Kelly, Cumisky, Beyea—6.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Brucks, Simonson, Sommers—14.

Assistant Aldermen Clancy moved to lay on the table.

Which was lost by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Clancy, Keenan, Kehoe, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Beyea—8.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Wade, Brucks, Sommers—12.

And the resolution was concurred in by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Sommers, Beyea—14.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Clancy, Keenan, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky—6.

Assistant Alderman Clancy moved to reconsider vote just taken.

Which was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Theiss, the President, Keenan, Kehoe, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Beyea—11.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Codington, Kreps, Wade, Brucks, Sommers—9.

Joint Committee on Accounts.

Carried.

A Preamble and Resolution as follows:

To compel the New York and Harlem Railroad Company to remove obstructions from the Fourth avenue between Forty-second and Forty-ninth streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Being an ordinance as follows:

To provide for the killing of dogs in the city of New York.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Codington, the President, Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Cumisky, Sommers, Beyea—17.

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

Being a preamble and resolution as follows: Relating to legislation at Albany, affecting the city of New York.

Which was concurred in.

Being a resolution as follows:

To permit Jno. M. Conway & Co., to connect premises No. 124 and 128 Worth street with an iron shaft passing in the rear of house No. 126 Worth street the property of the city.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

Being a resolution as follows:

To permit W. C. Bryant & Co., to extend vaults beyond the curb line at southeast corner of Broadway and Franklin street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

Being a resolution as follows:

To permit George L. Fox to place four ornamental lamps opposite Nos. 728 and 730 Broadway.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

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

Being a resolution as follows:

To appoint James Gallagher a Commissioner of Deeds.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

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

Being a resolution as follows:

To appoint Leopold Turk a Commissioner of Deeds.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

G. O. 516.

Being a resolution and ordinance as follows:

Resolved, That gas mains be laid, and street lamps lighted, in Sixty-third street, from the Ninth avenue to the Tenth avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 517.

Being a resolution and ordinance as follows:

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

Which was laid over.

G. O. 518.

Being a resolution and ordinance as follows:

Resolved, That the sidewalk on north side of Forty-third street, from Second to First avenue, be flagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 519.

Being a resolution and ordinance as follows:

Resolved, That the sidewalk on both sides of Fifty-fifth street, between Ninth to Tenth avenue be flagged full width, where not already done under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 520.

Being a resolution and ordinance as follows:

Resolved, That the sidewalks on both sides of Fifty-fourth street from Fourth to Fifth avenues, be flagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

GENERAL ORDERS.

Assistant Alderman Beyea called up

G. O. 487,

being a resolution as follows:

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

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Sommers, Beyea—19.

Negative—Assistant Alderman Clancy—1.

Assistant Aldermen Sommers called up

G. O. 484,

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Sixty-sixth street, from Third avenue to Avenue A, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, and that, at the several intersecting streets and avenues, crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works,

and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Sommers, Beyea—20.

Assistant Alderman Cumisky called up

G. O. 483,

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Forty-third street from the Second avenue to the Third avenue be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter stones set, and the sidewalks flagged, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

Assistant Alderman Simonson called up

G. O. 272,

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Sixty-third street, from Tenth avenue to the Hudson River, be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter stones set, and the sidewalks flagged, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

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

Assistant Alderman Kelly called up

G. O. 386,

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That One hundred and twenty-second street, from the Tenth avenue to the Riverside Park, be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter stones set, and the sidewalks flagged where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

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

Assistant Alderman Brucks called up

G. O. 247.

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That gas mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street lamps lighted in Seventy-fifth street, from Fifth to Madison avenues, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Sommers, Beyea—19.

Assistant Alderman Wade called up

G. O. 257,

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Seventy-sixth street, from the Eighth avenue to the Hudson River, be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter stones set, and the sidewalks flagged, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

Assistant Alderman Keenan called up

G. O. 493,

being a resolution as follows:

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

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

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

MOTIONS RESUMED.

Assistant Alderman Clancy moved that this Board do now adjourn.

Which was lost by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Clancy, Kehoe, Kelly, Cumisky—5.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Brucks, Simonson, Sommers, Beyea—15.

GENERAL ORDERS RESUMED.

Assistant Alderman Kreps called up

G. O. 415.

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Sixty-fifth street, from First to the Fifth avenue, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, and that, at the several inter-

secting streets and avenues, crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:
Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Sommers, Beyea—18.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Clancy—2.

Assistant Alderman Codington called up

G. O. 485.

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Seventy-fifth street, from Madison to Fifth avenues, be paved with Belgian or trapblock pavement, and that, at the several intersecting streets and avenues crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, and are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:
Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Sommers, Beyea—18.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Clancy—2.

Assistant Alderman Theiss called up

G. O. 374.

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, and street-lamps lighted, in Sixty-fourth street from First to Third avenue under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:
Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Sommers, Beyea—20.

Assistant Alderman Thornell called up

G. O. 490.

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Third Street, east of the Bowery shall hereafter be known and designated as "East Third Street," and that Great Jones and Amity Streets shall hereafter together form one street, to be known and designated as "West Third Street," and be it further

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to carry into effect the provisions of the foregoing resolutions.

Assistant Alderman Clancy moved to refer to Committee on Ordinances.

Which was lost.

Assistant Alderman Simonson moved to amend so as to make the dividing line South Fifth avenue.

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

Which was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, the President, Keenan, Kehoe, Kelly, Cumisky, Sommers, Beyea—11.
Negative—Assistant Aldermen Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Kreps, Wade, Brucks, Simonson—9.

Assistant Alderman Wisser called up

G. O. 489.

being a resolution as follows:

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

Which was concurred in by the following vote:
Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Sommers, Beyea—20.

Assistant Alderman Keating called up

G. O. 446.

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That a crosswalk be laid on both sides of One hundred and thirty-fifth street, at the intersection with Alexander avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

Assistant Alderman Foley called up

G. O. 279.

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That a crosswalk be laid from the southeast corner of Chambers and West streets to the entrance of the Pavana Ferry, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Mur-

phy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Sommers, Beyea—20.

Assistant Alderman Healy called up

G. O. 498.

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid and street lamps lighted, in Seventy-seventh street, between First and Second avenues, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:
Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Simonson, Cumisky, Sommers—18.

Assistant Alderman Clancy called up

G. O. 499.

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That a sewer, with the necessary receiving-basins and culverts be built in Light street between Varick and Hudson streets, under the direction of the Commissioners of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:
Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Simonson, Cumisky, Sommers—18.

Assistant Alderman — called up

G. O. 448.

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the clerk of this Board be and he is hereby directed to cause twenty-five volumes of the CITY RECORD for the quarter ending December 31st, 1873, to be bound for the use of the members of this Board, the expense of the same to be paid out of the appropriation for "Contingencies."

Which was adopted by the following vote:
Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Simonson, Cumisky, Sommers—15.
Negative—Assistant Aldermen Clancy, Thornell, Keenan—3.

MOTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

Assistant Alderman Foley moved to adjourn.

Which was lost by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Keating, Simonson, Cumisky—5.
Negative—Assistant Aldermen Clancy, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kreps, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Sommers—13.

GENERAL ORDERS AGAIN RESUMED.

Assistant Alderman Sommers called up

G. O. 437.

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to provide a location for the Northeastern Dispensary, at a rent not to exceed \$100 per month, in the neighborhood of its present location, and pay rent therefor for a period of three years, such rent for the present year to be paid from the appropriation for special contingencies.

Which was ordered on file.

Assistant Alderman Thornell called up

G. O. 501.

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the Comptroller of the City of New York be and he is hereby authorized and directed, on behalf of the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of New York, to execute a lease from John Shaffert, of premises situated at the northeast corner of Second avenue and First street, in said city, consisting of one room on the second floor, 28x61 feet, for a Court room, fronting on Second avenue and First street, and one room on the first floor, 9x41 feet, for the clerk of said Court, fronting on Second avenue, for a period of five years from the first day of May, 1874, at the annual rent of two thousand five hundred dollars per annum, payable quarterly, with a condition in said lease that the premises be put in proper condition for the use of the Fourth District Court of said city, at the expense of the owner, and the Comptroller of the city of New York is hereby authorized and directed to pay said rent quarterly from the proper appropriation; said premises, when so leased, to be designated and known as the place for holding the District Court of the City of New York for the Fourth Judicial District; and the Justice and clerk of said Court are hereby directed to occupy the said premises, when so leased, for the purposes aforesaid.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Clancy, Keating, Wisser, Healy, Thornell, Theiss, the President, Keenan, Wade, Kehoe, Brucks, Simonson, Cumisky, Sommers—16.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Codington, Kreps—2.

Assistant Alderman Theiss called up

G. O. 482.

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw a warrant in favor of Edward Van Rans, for the sum of fifty dollars, to be in full for bill hereto annexed for coaches furnished the joint committee of the Common Council, appointed to present a testimonial of respect for the memory of the late Horace Greeley, to his family; the amount to be charged to the appropriation for city contingencies.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

Assistant Alderman Simonson called up
G. O. 380.

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Fifth avenue, from Ninetieth street to One Hundred and Tenth street, be regulated and graded, to conform to the new grade, the curb and gutter stones set, and the sidewalks flagged where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, by day's work or in such manner as the said Commissioner may deem expedient for the best interests of the city and property owners, and of such material and on such plan as may be prescribed or determined by the Board of Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks, as authorized by chapter 850 of the Laws of 1873, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

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

QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE.

Assistant Alderman Wisser asked consent to take from the table G. O. 490.

Which was objected to by Assistant Alderman Clancy.

MOTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

Assistant Alderman Foley moved to adjourn.

Which was carried.

And the President announced that the Board stood adjourned until Monday next, the 20th inst., at 2 o'clock P. M.

WILLIAM H. MALONEY,
Clerk.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

From the proceedings of the Board of Aldermen, April 9, 1874:

By Alderman Cooper—

Whereas, There is an Act now before the Legislature of this State, entitled "An Act to incorporate the New York Warehouse and Railway Company, and to improve the commercial facilities of New York," which act is hereto annexed; and,

Whereas, It is believed, that if said act becomes a law, and the provisions therein properly carried out, it will greatly advance and facilitate the commercial interest of our city.

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York earnestly urge upon the said Legislature the expediency and propriety of the immediate passage of said act, with an amendment thereof, of the 5th section, which will allow and authorize said Corporation to construct, maintain and operate a railroad with a single, double, treble or quadruple track.

An Act to incorporate the New York Warehouse and Railway Company, and to improve the commercial facilities of New York.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Henry C. Gardiner, Sheridan Shook, Archibald Bliss, Floyd C. Shepard, E. S. Whiteman, Abram J. Dittenhoefer, Sidney P. Nichols, Richard Kelly, John T. Conover, William C. Moore, Benjamin B. Nostrand, William F. Shaffer, Richard Schell, George Irving and Thomas Patten, their associates and successors, are hereby created a body politic and corporate, by the name and style of the New York Warehouse and Railway Company, and by that name shall have perpetual succession, and for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating the railroad hereinafter mentioned shall have and enjoy, in the city of New York, all the rights, privileges, franchises and immunities incident to a corporation created under an act entitled "An Act to authorize the formation of railroad corporations, and to regulate the same," passed April second, eighteen hundred and fifty, and the several acts supplemental thereto and amendatory thereof.

SEC. 2. The capital stock of said corporation shall consist of twenty-five millions of dollars, divided into two hundred and fifty thousand shares, of the par value of one hundred dollars each.

SEC. 3. The affairs of said corporation shall be managed by a board of fifteen directors, who shall, after the first day of November, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, be elected annually by the stockholders. The first board of directors shall consist of the fifteen persons first named in the first section of this act, and shall hold such office from and after the passage thereof until the said first day of November, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, and until their successors shall be elected. The first meeting of said first board shall be held in the city of New York, upon written notice stating time and place of such meeting signed by any three of said directors, served by delivering the same to the other directors ten days prior to the time of such meeting. Any vacancy in the board of directors of said company, caused by death, resignation or otherwise, shall be filled by appointment, made by the remaining directors. Each and every person owning one hundred shares of its capital stock shall be eligible to hold the office of director in said company, and may, on due election or appointment, become a member of the first or any other board of directors of said company. Said directors shall, on due notice given, open books for subscription to the capital stock of said company, and may prescribe the terms and times of payment on such subscription, and allot the stock subscribed; and may purchase property, useful or necessary to carry out the objects and purposes of said company, and issue full-paid stock in payment therefor, and may also, for like purpose, and for the construction of said railroad and warehouses, create liabilities and incur obligations, borrow money, make and deliver bonds and other evidence of debt, and secure the payment thereof and the performance of the conditions therein mentioned, by mortgage or mortgages, or other liens upon all the property, rights and franchises of said company; and the said board of directors shall and may exercise all such other powers as

are granted to railroad corporations created under the general law.

SEC. 4. The objects for which this corporation is created are to improve the commercial facilities of the city of New York, by providing fire-proof warehouses, constructed upon the most improved plan, for the storage of goods, wares and merchandise by providing the best means for transporting goods, wares and merchandise within the limits of the city of New York, and by providing means to prevent such goods, wares and merchandise from being injured by fire, exposure to the weather and loss by theft, and also by providing the best means for loading and discharging the cargoes of ships and vessels at the wharves in said city with safety and at the least possible delay; and to this end the said corporation is authorized to acquire, by agreement and purchase, all such real estate and property as the directors of said company shall deem necessary to carry out its objects and purposes, and to hold such real estate in fee or in any less estate; and the said corporation is hereby authorized to carry on a general warehouse business, together with the exercise and enjoyment of such other rights, franchises and privileges as may, in this act, be granted.

SEC. 5. The said corporation is hereby authorized to lay out, locate, construct, maintain and operate a railroad with a single or double track, elevated or otherwise together with the necessary platforms, depots, stations, side-tracks, switches, turn-tables and store-houses; commencing at such point or place as said company may locate, at or near the Battery, in said city of New York, and thence running northerly on a line parallel with the bulk-head line of said city, on the Hudson river, at a distance therefrom not exceeding two hundred feet, to such point or place as said company may locate, between One Hundred and Twenty-first street and One Hundred and Sixty-first street, in said city; thence easterly on a curved line to such point [or place] on the bulk-head line of said city, on the Harlem river, between said streets, as said company may fix and determine; thence southerly on a line parallel with the bulk-head line of said city on the Harlem river, at a distance therefrom not exceeding two hundred and fifty feet, to a point or place on the East river, in said city; continuing thence southerly along the bulk-head or water-front line of said city, in manner and distance as aforesaid, to said Battery; thence on such curved line, as the said company may locate, to the place of beginning; and transport freight and passengers in cars propelled by steam or other power, but steam power shall not be used upon any surface road authorized by this act. And, in case the said company shall construct a surface road only, passengers shall not be transported thereon for compensation.

SEC. 6. The said company is hereby authorized to construct and maintain piers or wharves in said city of New York, not exceeding ten in number, of such dimensions, not extending beyond the pier line, as said company shall determine, together with the docks or slips and bulk-heads adjoining said wharves, not exceeding ten docks or slips, nor ten bulk-heads in number, and the said piers or wharves shall be supported by iron columns, or by columns composed of materials equally durable, placed at such distance from each other as will allow the water currents to flow between the same; and said company is hereby authorized to construct and maintain fire-proof warehouses on said piers or wharves, and connect said railway by tracks into or under said warehouse and said company shall have, exercise and enjoy all the rights, franchises privileges and immunities incident to any corporation created under the general law for warehouse purposes; but said company shall provide means for shelter from the weather and protection from theft of all goods, wares, merchandise and property deposited on their said piers, wharves or bulk-heads, and shall also provide steam or hydraulic power for discharging the cargoes of ships and vessels at their said piers, wharves and bulk-heads.

SEC. 7. In case the said corporation cannot agree with the owner or owners of any real estate necessary for the construction and operation of its said railroad, as in this act provided, for the purchase thereof, or cannot agree with the owner or owners of an interest in such property for the purchase thereof, the said company shall have the right, and may acquire title to all such property as may be necessary to carry out its objects and purposes, so far as is necessary for its railroad as provided in this act, in the same manner as title to real estate is acquired by corporations, created under and in pursuance of an act entitled "An act to authorize the formation of railroad corporations and regulate the same," passed April second, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, and the acts supplemental thereto and amendatory thereof, and be subject to the provisions and restrictions therein contained except so far as the same may be inconsistent with any of the provisions of this act; but in any proceeding by said company, for the purpose of acquiring title to or an interest in any such real estate or property, it shall be necessary in the petition to the court to give only a description of the lands or property so to be acquired, the inability of the company to obtain the same, and the reason of such inability; but nothing in this section shall be construed to authorize said company to acquire title to any railroad franchise, tracks or railroad property, or to any pier, wharf, bulkhead or dock, owned or leased by any steamboat, steamship, or ferry company, otherwise than by purchase or agreement with the owner or owners thereof.

SEC. 8. Whenever it shall be necessary for the construction or operation of the said railroad or road-bed, turnout, stations, side-tracks, switches or depots, to take and use for that purpose any streets, no compensation shall be awarded or demanded for the same; but in such cases the use of such streets, and the right of way on, over and along the same, shall be considered, and is hereby declared to be, a public use, consistent with the uses for which the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of New York hold the same; but no part of such streets shall be taken by said company for the purpose of such turnouts, stations, side-tracks or depots, except such part as may be necessary and sufficient therefor, which shall be fixed and limited by the commissioners of the sinking fund of the city and county of New York; and whenever the New York Warehouse and Railway Company shall declare and pay any dividend to the stockholders thereof, said company shall at the same

time pay into the sinking fund of the city and county of New York, a sum equal to three per cent. of the whole amount of the dividend so paid and declared.

Sec. 9. The railroad, warehouses and property of said company shall be under its exclusive management and control subject only to proper police regulation, and the special regulation of the legislature of this state.

Sec. 10. Within six months after the passage of this act the said New York Warehouse and Railway Company shall execute and deliver to the comptroller of the city of New York its corporate bond, with two or more sureties, to be approved by the governor of this state, conditioned for the payment of one hundred thousand dollars, to the mayor, aldermen and commonalty of the city of New York in case the construction of the said railroad herein authorized shall not be commenced and proceeded with within sixty days after five hundred yards of the street and bulkhead wall shall, as laid out by the board governing the dock department, be completed.

Sec. 11. This act is hereby declared to be a public act for the purpose of improving the commercial facilities of the city and port of New York; and all laws and parts of laws inconsistent with this act or with any of the provisions thereof are hereby repealed in so far as they conflict with the same and not otherwise.

Sec. 12. This act shall take effect immediately.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTIONS.

MEETING APRIL 4, 1874.

Present—Commissioners Laimbeer, Bowen and Stern.

To the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction:

GENTLEMEN: On April 3d, 1874, I visited Blackwell's Island with Mr. Crowley to carry out the instructions of the Board in locating the telegraph between the Penitentiary, Fifty-ninth street station and Police Headquarters, &c. After locating the termination of the wire on ground floor, and proceeding to the upper part of the building, to my great surprise I found Mr. Tweed coming from the room furnished and occupied by him, through the sewing-room and going to the hospital. Upon inquiry from Warden Liscomb I found that Mr. Tweed had a room on the second floor of the centre building furnished, which he occupies, and in which he receives his visitors. I went into the room and found there Mr. Tweed's son and Mr. Dewey. This it seems to me is not as it should be. Without a keeper within fifty feet of the front door of the principal entrance east, I positively say that any man could have gone out of this door, which was unlocked, without detection, as no keeper was in the hall of the first or second story for a period of several minutes. How often this may occur I cannot say; I only know that my visit to this institution has led me to believe that the Warden has gone beyond his duty in having this room so near the door furnished without the order of this Board. Commissioner Stern stated to me in the presence of the Warden that he had instructed the Warden to do as he had done, and I therefore must protest against any Commissioner taking any such responsibility as would implicate this Board if any escape should take place. We are simple custodians of all who come to this Department under and by virtue of the law. I need not say that I have no desire in the case of Mr. Tweed to make any special example, and yet I do consider it the duty of this Board to place such guards in and around that prison as will render it almost impossible to escape, and particularly if the occupants are properly within the walls, the doors of the prison secured and the keepers do their duty.

I think it unsafe to have any one in the custody of this Department so near the door of the centre building, which is indeed not the prison proper, but occupied as the keepers' sleeping apartments. I have thought it my duty to present the facts, in order that the Board may endorse or condemn the action of the Warden and make such order on the question as may be proper to govern such cases in the future.

WM. LAIMBEER.

I therefore offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That in the future no one confined in any of the prisons under the control of this Department shall be furnished with separate apartments out of the prison unless by an order of this Board, or a majority of them, and that any such apartments now in existence shall be at once abolished and the furniture removed.

On motion of Mr. Stern it was laid on the table.

Ayes—Commissioners Bowen and Stern.

Nay—Commissioner Laimbeer.

By Commissioner Laimbeer—

Resolved, That Doctor Macdonald be directed to make examination of William M. Tweed and report to this Board if he is a proper case for hospital treatment.

By Commissioner Laimbeer—

Resolved, That Warden Liscomb be and is hereby directed to report to this Board at once by whose order he permitted a room to be furnished on the second floor of the centre or hospital building for William M. Tweed.

Called up April 6th, 1874.

Mr. Stern desires to have time for consideration and presents the following:

In making the motion to lay this communication and resolution on the table, Mr. Stern coupled it with the request to have an opportunity to present a reply in writing to said communication and resolution embodying a complete statement

in the matter, and the request being granted, the motion was laid on the table.

Monday, April 6.

Mr. Laimbeer called up his report on penitentiary. Mr. Stern stated he had been unable in consequence of sickness to prepare his report, and asked further time.

Agreed to.

MEETING APRIL 9, 1874.

Present—Commissioners Laimbeer, Bowen, Stern.

REPORT OF COMMISSIONER STERN.

In reply to the communication of President Laimbeer to this Board, April 4, 1874, in the matter of Wm. M. Tweed.

To the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction:

GENTLEMEN—When last week, I moved to lay on the table the Report and Resolutions made and offered by the President of this Board, in regard to the treatment of William M. Tweed, I did so with the view of obtaining the necessary time to make such statements and explanations as were requisite in answer to said report and resolutions, which I was prevented from doing then, because of the severe indisposition from which I suffered.

I beg now to submit my report on that subject, which I trust will remove the many erroneous impressions, created by the numerous versions that were set in circulation amongst the public. On Friday last, the President and myself went over to the Island for the purpose of locating a telegraph wire, by which the Penitentiary, the 50th Street Police Station, and the head quarters of the Police were to be connected, according to a resolution recently passed by the Board, on my motion. This connection was to be made, as an additional safeguard against emergencies, that would require a more numerous force than that afforded by the corps of keepers, in cases of attack or attempts at rescuing prisoners by combined forces. It was well understood, and distinctly stated by me, that the Commissioners, in the consideration of this measure of precaution, had special reference to the safety of Wm. M. Tweed. Ever since the commitment of that prisoner to our custody, we have taken more than ordinary precaution to guard against any mishap; and we must admit, that the confinement of Tweed in the Penitentiary caused us no little embarrassment, especially to myself, who had been charged from the time of assuming the office of Commissioner with the supervision of the various prisons under our charge, and much of the administration.

Whatever opinions people may entertain of the culpability of Tweed, with which we, however, who are simply charged with the execution of a law have nothing to do, it must be conceded that he is an exception to the ordinary class of criminals consigned to us. His advanced age, the habits acquired during many years of a life of comfort, ease and opulence, his delicate condition that required for years previous to his imprisonment the constant care and supervision of a physician, would not permit his exposure to the same rigor, and discipline which the other prisoners are necessarily subjected to, without endangering his life and making a hero of him, placing a crown of martyrdom upon that very class of persons which the law intend to degrade. Neither were we unmindful of the reflections and insinuations that were liable to be made, were we to make exceptions in his favor, however imperatively demanded by the circumstances, as they presented themselves. The Commissioners are clothed with vast discretionary powers in regard to the treatment of prisoners confined to their care. The law demands that the prisoners should be kept in safe custody; it does not demand, and certainly not intend, cruel and harsh treatment. It permits the establishment of rules and regulations, in order to secure the necessary discipline, and obtain absolute control over the prisoners—they may be set to work and employed in the manner deemed most judicious by the Commissioners. This discretion, in a certain measure, is again delegated to the superintending officer, who has direct control of the prisoners; one portion he sends to the quarry, another he details to the carpenter shop, another to the shoe shop, some are made to do the work of house servants, others that of hospital nurses. Not all prisoners are consigned to a cell, as for instance the female prisoners, who sleep in the chapel used as dormitories. Of course, the detail of the ordinary class of prisoners to one kind of work or the other, excites neither interest or inquiry—it is perfectly immaterial to the public or the authorities. In the case of a prisoner like Wm. M. Tweed, it is different. The prominent position which he has occupied, for a number of years, in the affairs of this city, has gained him a host of friends, and of foes. Each of them watch with a keen eye the mode of treatment he is subjected to, and the Commissioners are almost certain to earn the displeasure and dissatisfaction of either the one or the other. While this would not affect us in pursuing the policy due to the law, which requires absolute equality of all that come within its rule, it cannot be gainsaid, that its execution in regard to Wm. M. Tweed required unusual discretion and circumspection. It was on the 29th day of November last, that Wm. M. Tweed was delivered by the Sheriff to the Warden of the Penitentiary. The following day, Sunday morning, I paid a visit to the Island, and looking in Tweed's cell, I saw a man stretched upon a bare cot, apparently in a dying condition, panting for breath and air, and I am positively convinced, had he not been removed from there, he would not have outlived his situation for forty-eight hours. Tweed, as well known, is a man of tall stature, of large proportions; previously to his confinement he suffered, as I subsequently ascertained from a communication from his family physician Dr. Schriener, to Dr. Macdonald, Chief of Staff of Physicians to the Charity Hospital, from bilious diarrhea, and was under constant medical treatment. Previous to this he suffered for many years from apoplexia-sanguinea. I had before me in that cell, a subject of such abject misery and suffering, as would have touched the heart of the most unfeeling man. Only a part of his body had room on the little cot, the other portion of it was hanging over, his head thrown back, shivering all over with cold and prostration. "You have brought me here to die," said the victim, in a husky, almost unearthly voice.

I would have been guilty of violating the simplest precept of humanity—I would have been dullest to my duties as an officer, under whose charge are placed a large number of human beings for the purpose of correction and moral improvement, had I not at once taken such measures as would rescue the man before me from the imminent peril which his life was in. The intent of the law and of the sentence which placed Tweed where he is, was to vindicate the outraged majesty of the law, not to take his life; had that, however, been the intention, as I feel confident it was not, neither myself nor this Board would consent to play the part of the executioners. I ordered at once the removal of Tweed to the hospital, and making the following morning a verbal report to the Board, it was decided to detail him as orderly to the hospital. The examination by Dr. Macdonald of the condition of Tweed, confirmed the opinion, that the confinement of Tweed to a cell would prove fatal to his life, and it became necessary to provide quarters for him within the prison which would combine the security of his person with sufficient space to move and live in. The first question to consider was that of safety. The Penitentiary consists of a centre building and two wings, the plan of which is hereto annexed. The cells are located in each of the wings: in the centre are located the office of the warden, the sleeping quarters of the keepers, the dormitories for the female prisoners, the chapel and the hospital; the latter can be reached through winding stairways from the hall of the prison, as well as by a passage from the second floor of the centre prison by way of the chapel. The centre structure with the two wings constitute the penitentiary, the prison proper. On the ground floor of the centre structure are the office of the warden, the kitchen, the pantry, the dining room, the barber shop and the store room. On the second floor are the keepers' bed room and sitting room. On the third floor is the chapel. On the fourth floor is the female prison and the hospital. A prisoner confined, therefore, within a room in the centre building is as safe as one lodged in any of the cells.

After consultation with the warden, I had a room provided on the second floor, at the furthest end of the hall, for the confinement of Tweed. It contains but one window, which is safely secured by iron bars, there are double doors to it, of which the outer one is very strong, secured with iron bolts and heavy locks, fully as safe as any of the doors that bar the cells. Immediately opposite that room, not more than nine feet distant, is a dormitory of keepers, which at night never contains less than seven occupants. On the same floor, not over twenty-five feet distant, are other bed rooms that never contain less than five to ten occupants. I could not imagine a place in the whole building that would offer greater security than the room in which Tweed is now confined. There are more eyes fixed upon him, if he ever should make an attempt at flight than in any other part of the building. There are more persons in the immediate vicinity of his room that watch, and would prevent his escape than anywhere else in the prison, especially at such a time when an escape might be planned with any chance of success. The room in which he is confined is a little better than a large cell, and as to the luxury of its appointments, it is simply a stretch of the imagination. There is no such thing as wall paper, a few yards of paper muslin are tacked round the walls to guard against the moisture. The carpets spoken of dissolve itself into a couple of old rugs, and the library is a simple shelf with a few books on it. The luxurious outfit lags much behind the comfort and show, which the President of this Board and myself have witnessed in the cells wherein white and colored prisoners are confined in the State Prison at Sing Sing and in the Penitentiary in Kings County, that neither carpets, nor white curtains, nor framed pictures, nor shelves were wanting in some of these cells, and I remember that my friend Mr. Laimbeer, was greatly pleased at the humane spirit exhibited in granting these indulgences. William M. Tweed might, in the eyes of his bitterest antagonists, deserve no greater consideration than the meanest culprit, the burglar, the highwayman, or the shoplifter, but he certainly is entitled to no less consideration. Even at the State Prison at Clinton, where the discipline and routine is probably the severest of any in the State, I am credibly informed that the prisoners are not debarred the privilege of providing from their own means such little comforts as make life in that little space to which they are confined more tolerable. Penitentiaries and State prisons are correctional institutions, not establishments of practices of cruelty and torture. The sentence which consigned Tweed to the prison, did not enjoin us to torture him, or undermine his health, and who would carry the spirit of partisanship to that extreme as to begrudge an old man the comfort of a few old rags, a mattress and a few books? As to the privileges granted to him, what are they? He has to conform to the rules of prison life, and has to perform the duties assigned him with the same regularity and punctuality as are exacted of other prisoners. Not only does the record in the hospital show that he has never failed since his being detailed as orderly to perform his duties, but Doctor Macdonald states that since the attendance of William M. Tweed marked improvements have been made, and that in the performance of his duties he brings to bear conscientiousness and faithfulness; but in order to give Dr. Macdonald's version correctly, I produce here his own words:

Dr. Macdonald's statement:—"My answer to your inquiry, as to what would have been the probable result of a severer course of discipline than that to which he (referring to William M. Tweed) has been subjected was, that taking into consideration Mr. Tweed's age, corpulency, habit of body and habits of life, it was my opinion that the enforcement in his case of the regular routine, to which such convicts as are not for similar reasons similarly excused, are subjected, would result seriously and possibly fatally. Your next question was in regard to Mr. Tweed's performance of his duties as hospital orderly. I state that there were two orderlies on duty, Mr. Tweed and another inmate, a physician by education, who was assigned to this relatively desirable position on account of his former condition in life and his superior intelligence, just as Mr. Tweed was assigned, and just as it is customary in this and all prisons, to give the easier berth to prisoners of the better class. The

hospital under the care of these two orderlies was better attended to than usual, and that the duties were well performed. At my visits of inspection, I have almost invariably found both orderlies in the hospital, and have found them both attentive to my instructions, and respectful in their deportment.

The day which the Christian world has set aside as the termination of suffering, preceding the period of joy and jubilation, it was what is generally designated Good Friday, on which the President of this Board made the astounding discovery that William M. Tweed was not confined to a cell, but in attending to his duties as orderly to this hospital, was on the stairway leading from the hospital to the part of the building where his room is. Regretting deeply the uneasiness and perturbation caused by this discovery to my esteemed colleague, I must confess that for my part, I fail to see the reason for it. Tweed was then in prison; every outlet guarded against him as to other inmates of that department, securely fastened doors wherever he turns, and besides all that, in the care of Keeper Macdonald (not the Dr. who happens to have the same name), who has charge of the hall. I have stated already, that from the hall on which his room is located, a door bolted and locked, leads by a stairway to the chapel, from which another door, also securely fastened, leads to the hospital. By this passage he is brought daily to the hospital by a keeper, to attend to his work; when that is over, he is taken back to his room and locked in. There are prisoners who are ordered by the physician every day to remain in doors, they are not locked in their cells, but are under the supervision of the keepers and guards. There certainly can be no danger of Tweed's escape in the day time, even if he should by any chance get out of the Penitentiary building, he would be immediately recognized by the attendants, who are always around the building, and in the night time his chances are certainly not better. He is confined under bars, bolts and locks in the Penitentiary buildings, one or the other of the night watchmen, (keepers), are especially charged to watch the quarters where he is confined, and he never leaves the building, which he occasionally does for the purpose of exercise, as ordered by Dr. Macdonald, without being in the custody of a keeper. What the President of the Board discovered at so late a date, was something of which he might have been cognizant and familiar with. Leaving it to me as the President did, by not making enquiry or raising a question, I have taken such action in regard to the treatment of Tweed, as would conform to our sworn duties, as custodians of the criminals, and as men who carry out the law, not in a spirit of vindictiveness, but of humanity and charity. The President might have extended that confidence in me a little further, and have rested assured that nothing was left undone to attain perfect security and safety of William M. Tweed's person. I am sure the President, of whose humanity we have had so many proofs, did not desire to see greater rigor exercised in the treatment of Tweed; he would not advocate his employment in the quarry, nor in the blacksmith's shop, nor does he want the prison discipline further applied than is demanded by the necessity of the emergency; he only wants to feel certain of the absolute security of Tweed's person. A calm investigation would no doubt have satisfied him as it did myself. But in order to satisfy the anxiety of the most timid, I would propose, that an iron gate with a safe lock be put up at the head of the stairway on which Tweed's door is located, and I shall cheerfully give my vote in the appointment of a keeper of Mr. Laimbeer's own selection, as special guard to Mr. Tweed.

What I will not consent to is to lend my hand to the exercise of unnecessary harsh and cruel measures, not prescribed by law, and not demanded by the functions of our office. I would, on the other hand, grant cheerfully to every inmate of the prisons under our charge the privilege of such little comforts as might be enjoyed without prejudice to the discipline and good order of the institutions. If relatives of prisoners are willing to furnish his cell with a strip of carpet he is welcome. Neither would I object to a decent mattress, to a book shelf and good books. I want to improve the character of the unfortunate creatures who have offended society by violating its laws. They are members of a degraded humanity—but still of humanity.

The orders I have given in regard to the treatment of Wm. M. Tweed, were given open-handed. I have none to take back. The motives that guided me, were those of an officer discharging his sworn duty, not influenced by sympathy for, or antipathy against the prisoner. Those whose object it were to drag the late chief of a political party before the public, and gain the sympathy of the people for him, would subject him to condign treatment. I have no cause nor desire to make a martyr of Wm. M. Tweed. I treat him as a human being, according to the situation, and the condition peculiar to his individuality, as I would treat every other prisoner, by taking into consideration his previous condition of life.

I have only to add, that comparing our institutions with others, as for instance the State Prison at Sing Sing, although ours is far more exposed, we have, since our administration, had less loss by the escape of prisoners than any other. I believe to have fully refuted the implied charges contained in the report of the President of this Board, and given sufficient reasons for not supporting the various resolutions offered by him.

In conclusion, in order to silence every anxiety as regards the safety of Wm. M. Tweed, I offer the following resolutions for your adoption.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

MYER STERN,
Commissioner.

Resolved, That a window be cut through the wall, on the ground floor of the Penitentiary, facing the entrance, to enable the Officers in the Warden's office to see all persons that go up or down the stairs leading to the upper floors, and all persons that have to come in and go out through that hall, known as the main or office entrance.

Resolved, That an iron gate be placed at the head of the stairway of the central building in the Penitentiary, and secured in the most effective manner.

DEPARTMENT PUBLIC PARKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
36 Union Square,
New York, April 6, 1874.

PROPOSALS FOR SCREENED GRAVEL.

PROPOSALS, IN SEALED ENVELOPES, WILL be received at the Office of the Department of Public Parks as above until Friday, the 17th day of April, 1874, at the hour of 5:30 o'clock A. M., when they will be publicly opened, for Five thousand (5,000) cubic yards of Screened Gravel, suitable for walks and roads, and similar to that heretofore used on the Public Parks of the City of New York; to be delivered in such quantities and at such times and places or any of the public park of the City of New York as may be required.

No proposal will be considered unless accompanied by a sample of the gravel proposed to be furnished, by satisfactory evidence that the party making the proposal has the means and facilities to furnish the gravel, and by the consent, in writing, of two responsible householders or freeholders of the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residences being named, to the effect that they will become bound as sureties in the sum of five thousand dollars for the faithful performance of the contract, should it be awarded upon that proposal.

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

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

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

Proposals must be addressed to the President of the Department of Public Parks, and endorsed "Proposals for Screened Gravel."

S. H. WALES, President.
H. G. STEBBINS,
PH. BISSINGER,
D. B. WILLIAMSON,
SAMUEL HALL,
Commissioners.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF NEW YORK (127 and 129 Mercer street),
New York, April 4, 1874.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FOLLOWING old apparatus, &c., will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, on Thursday, April 16, 1874, at 12 o'clock noon, at the Repair Shops of this Department, Nos. 19 and 21, Elizabeth street. All articles purchased at this sale must be removed within five days thereafter:

- Two (2) hand fire engines.
- Three (3) 4-wheel hose carriages.
- One (1) 4-wheel hose crab.
- Two (2) hook and ladder trucks.
- Two (2) fire extinguishers.
- Two (2) suction pumps.
- Two (2) suction baskets.
- Two (2) brass pipes.
- Two (2) brass nozzles.
- Two (2) wrenches.
- Four (4) reel wrenches.
- One (1) chain hook and rope.
- Ten (10) ladders.
- Three (3) leather pipes with brass nozzles.
- One (1) drag rope 180 feet long.
- One (1) " " 40 "
- One (1) " " 125 "
- One (1) " " 135 "
- Fifty-four (54) lengths leather hose.
- Three (3) lengths canvas hose.
- Two (2) fire bells (old).

The above articles may be seen prior to the day of sale upon inquiry at the Repair shops, with exception of the fire bells which are at No. 130 Amity street.

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

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

NOTICE TO TAX PAYERS.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS,
New York, April 9, 1874.

THE COMMISSIONERS DESIRE TO CAUTION the Tax Payers of New York against the imposition practiced by persons pretending to be connected with this Department, who offer to obtain reductions in the assessed value of Real or Personal Estate.

Any pretence of ability on the part of such persons to effect a reduction is fraudulent.

The Books of the Department are open to the public, and will remain so until the 30th inst., and all representations made to the Commissioners, for which purpose blanks are in readiness, receive the most careful attention.

There is no other method of having complaints attended to or errors rectified.

JOHN WHEELER,
GEO. H. ANDREWS,
SEVERN D. MOULTON,
Commissioners of Taxes and Assessments.

No. 32 CHAMBERS STREET,
New York, January 5, 1874.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOOKS of Annual Record of the assessments upon the Real and Personal Estate of the City and County of New York, for the year 1874, will be open for inspection and revision, on and after Monday, January 19th, 1874, and will remain open until the 30th day of April, 1874, inclusive, for the correction of errors and the equalization of the assessments of the aforesaid real and personal estate.

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

By order of the Board,
ALBERT STORER,
Secretary.

THE CITY RECORD.

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

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
ROTUNDA COURT HOUSE,
NEW YORK, April 10, 1874.

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

Confirmed March 25, 1874—
First avenue—Paving from Thirty-sixth to Sixty-first streets.

One hundred and seventeenth street—Paving from Fourth avenue to Harlem river.

Underground Drains between Seventy-first and Seventy-fourth streets, and between Ninth avenue and Boulevard.

All payments made on the above assessments on or before the 10th day of June next, will be exempt (according to law) from interest. After that date interest will be charged at the rate of 7 per cent. from the date of confirmation.

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

SPENCER KIRBY,
Collector of Assessments.

BUREAU OF COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
ROTUNDA COURT HOUSE,
NEW YORK, March 31, 1874.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY HOLDERS.

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

Confirmed March 19, 1874—56th st., paving, from Lexington to 4th ave.

" " 48th st., paving, from 5th to 10th aves.

" " Gansevoort st., regulating, etc., from West st. to North river.

" " 82d st., regulating, &c., from 4th to 5th aves.

" " 105th st., regulating, &c., from 3d ave. to Harlem river.

" " 145th st., regulating, &c., 7th ave. to Boulevard.

" " 61st st., curb, gutter, &c., from 9th to 10th aves.

" " Monroe st., flagging w. s., from No. 311 to Corlears st.

" " Corlears st., flagging w. s., from No. 1 to Monroe st.

" " Front st., flagging n. s., from Montgomery to Gouverneur st.

" " 14th st., flagging, No. 341 to No. 347 bet. 1st and 2d aves.

" " 51st st., flagging, from 1st to 2d aves.

" " 52d st., flagging, n. s., from 5th ave. to 175 feet west.

" " 54th st., flagging, s. s., from 6th to 7th aves.

" " 54th st., flagging, n. s., from 2d ave. about 125 ft. east.

" " 57th st., flagging, n. s., 9th ave. to about 250 ft. east.

" " 57th st., flagging, from 9th to 10th aves.

" " 57th st., flagging, from 1st to 2d aves.

" " 51st st., sewer, from 6th to 7th aves.

" " 66th st. and Lexington ave., basin, n. w. corner.

" " Peck slip and Water st., basin, n. e. corner.

" " Tompkins and Stanton sts., basin, s. w. corner.

" " 53d st., fencing vacant lots, n. s., bet. 3d and 6th aves.

" " 57th st., fencing vacant lots, n. s., bet. 9th ave. to 250 ft. east.

" " 61st st., fencing vacant lots, n. s., 2d to 3d aves.

" " 6th ave., sewer, from 125th to 126th sts.

" " Tompkins and Rivington sts., basin, s. w. corner.

All payments made on the above assessments on or before the 20th day of May next, will be exempt (according to law) from interest. After that date interest will be charged at the rate of 7 per cent. from the date of confirmation.

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

ANDREW W. LEGGAT,
Acting Collector.

REAL ESTATE RECORDS.

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MANAGERS OF BANKS AND INSURANCE COMPANIES.

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

Monetary Institutions engaged in making loans upon real estate, are interested in providing themselves with all the facilities for expediting their work, and reducing the cost of examinations and searches.

The attention of the Managers of Banks and Insurance Companies and of others is invited to the

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INTEREST ON CITY STOCKS.

THE INTEREST ON THE BONDS AND STOCKS of the City and County of New York, due May 1st, 1874, will be paid on that day, by the Chamberlain, at his office in the New Court House.

The Transfer Books will be closed from March 24th to May 1st, 1874.

AND. H. GREEN,
Comptroller.

City of New York,
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
Comptroller's Office, March 16th, 1874.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY HOLDERS.

BUREAU OF COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
ROTUNDA COURT HOUSE,
NEW YORK, March 23, 1874.

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

DATE OF CONFIRMATION,
February 10, 1874.

Opening and extending of
LEXINGTON AVENUE,
from 102d street to the Harlem river.

The limits embraced by said assessment includes all the lots and houses, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land embraced within the following boundaries:

59th street to Harlem river, and from 3d avenue to 4th avenue.

All payments made at this office within sixty days from this date are by law exempted from the charge for interest at seven per cent., which runs from the date of confirmation.

The Collector's office is open daily from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

ANDREW W. LEGGAT,
Acting Collector.

BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
ROTUNDA COURT HOUSE,
NEW YORK, February 16th, 1874.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY HOLDERS

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

Confirmed Jan. 30, 1874—Paving 24th st., bet. 10th and 11th aves.

" " Paving 31st st., bet. 2d ave. and East River.

" " Paving 31st st., bet. 4th and 5th aves.

" " Paving 32d st., bet. 2d ave. and East River.

" " Paving 47th st., bet. 3d and 4th aves.

" " Paving 52d st., bet. 2d ave. and East River.

" " Paving 40th st., bet. Madison and 3d aves.

" " Paving 60th st., bet. 1st and 2d aves.

" " Paving 70th st., bet. 4th and 5th aves.

" " Paving 83d st., bet. 3d and 4th aves.

" " Paving 87th st., bet. 2d and 3d aves.

" " Underground drains bet. 56th and 57th sts., 4th and Lexington aves.

" " Underground drains bet. 57th and 58th sts., 5th and Madison aves.

" " Sewer in Ave. A, bet. 59th and 61st sts., with branches in 59th st.

" " Sewer in 104th st., bet. 2d and 3d aves.

" " Sewer in Greenwich st., bet. Leroy and Morton sts.

" " Sewer in Dry Dock st., bet. 10th and 11th sts.

" " Sewer in Horatio st., continuation through Greenwich ave., etc.

" " Sewer in Hudson st., E. S., bet. Vandam and Charlton sts.

" " Sewer in Lexington ave., bet. 60th and 70th sts.

" " Sewer in Broadway, bet. 27th and 28th sts.

" " Basin N. E. cor. Pearl st. and Peck slip.

" " Basin N. E. cor. 69th st. and Lexington ave.

" " Regulating and grading 117th st., from 7th to 8th aves.

" " Regulating and grading 121st st., from 7th to 8th aves.

" " Regulating and grading, curb and gutter in 40th st., from 1st to 2d aves.

" " Curb, gutter and flagging Lexington ave., from 61st to 66th sts.

" " Curb, gutter and flagging S. E. cor. 7th ave. and West 124th st.

" " Flagging N. S. 37th st., from 7th to 8th aves.

" " Flagging N. S. 53d st., from 5th to 6th aves.

" " Regulating, grading, curb, gutter and flagging in 51st st., from 6th to 7th aves.

All payments made at this office within sixty days from this date, are by law exempted from the charge for interest at seven per cent., which runs from the date of confirmation.

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ANDREW W. LEGGAT,
Acting Collector.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

CENTRAL DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL POLICE,
PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE, 300 MULBERRY STREET,
NEW YORK, April 8, 1874.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY Clerk 300 Mulberry street, Room 30, for the following property now in his custody without claimants: Lot glass chimneys, brooms, two bbls. box dirt, rent lace, lot fancy dresses, segars, and several lots of money.

C. A. ST. JOHN,
Property Clerk.

CENTRAL DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL POLICE,
PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE, 300 MULBERRY STREET,
NEW YORK, March 19, 1874.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY Clerk, 300 Mulberry street, Room 30, for the following property now in his custody without claimants: Several lots of furniture, revolvers, horse blankets, ten overcoats, straw braid, and also several lots of cash.

C. A. ST. JOHN,
Property Clerk.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the School Trustees of the Twelfth Ward at the Hall of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, until Tuesday, the 14th day of April, 1874, and until 4 o'clock, P. M., on said day, for the erection of a new School House on the south side of One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues.

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

Two responsible and approved sureties, residents of this city, will be required from each successful bidder. Proposals will not be considered unless sureties are named.

Proposals must state the estimate for each branch of the work separately, and be indorsed "Proposal for Mason Work," "Proposal for Carpenter Work," "Proposal for Painting."

The name of the party or firm submitting a proposal must be indorsed on the outside of the envelope containing said proposal.

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

DAVID H. KNAPP,
JOSEPH P. FALLON,
LAWSON N. FULLER,
ANDREW SMITH,
GRANVILLE P. HAWS,
Board of School Trustees 12th Ward.

Dated, New York, March 20, 1874.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the School Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, at the Hall of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, until Monday, April 13th, 1874, and until 4 1/2 o'clock, P. M., on said day, for Desks, etc., in two class rooms of G. S. No. 32.

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

Two responsible and approved sureties, residents of this city, will be required from the successful bidder; proposals will not be considered unless sureties are named.

The name of the party or firm submitting a proposal must be indorsed on the outside of the envelope containing said proposal.

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

H. D. RANNEY, M. D.,
THOMAS MAHER,
WILLIAM KILLIAN,
THOMAS J. HALL,
AUSTIN ABBOTT,
Board of School Trustees, 20th Ward.

Dated New York, March 30, 1874.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the School Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, at the Hall of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm street, until Monday the 13th day of April, 1874, and until 4 o'clock P. M., on said day, for enlarging and altering Grammar School House No. 51, on West Forty fourth street, near Eleventh avenue.

Proposals must state the estimate for each branch of the work separately, and be indorsed "Proposal for Mason Work," "Proposal for Carpenter Work," "Proposal for Painting," "Proposal for Heating," "Proposal for Furniture."

Plans and Specifications may be seen at the Office of the Superintendent of School Buildings, No. 146 Grand Street, third floor.

Two responsible and approved sureties, residents of this city, will be required from the successful bidder; proposals will not be considered unless sureties are named.

The name of the party or firm submitting a proposal must be indorsed on the outside of the envelope containing said proposal.

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

JOEL W. MASON,
JOHN MORGAN,
JAS. K. CUMING,
ALONA H. UNDERHILL,
WALTER CARTER,
Board of School Trustees, 22d Ward.

Dated New York, March 26, 1874.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS,
346 and 348 Broadway,
NEW YORK, April 3, 1874.

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING FIVE THOUS-

AND (5,000) WHITE, OR YELLOW PINE OR SPRUCE PILES.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING THIS material, endorsed as above, and addressed to Commissioner Budd, Treasurer of Department of Docks, will be received at the office of the Department of Docks, until 11 o'clock A. M., of Wednesday, April 15, 1874, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read.

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

The time for the full delivery of the material called for will expire on the 31st day of August, 1874.

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect.

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

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

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

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

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

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

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

THE STATED SESSIONS OF THE BOARD OF Aldermen will be held on Thursday of each week, at 3 1/2 o'clock, P. M., in the chamber of the Board, Room No. 15, City Hall.