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FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

Abstract of the transactions of the Bureau of the City Chamberlain for the week ending February 8, 1896.

OFFICE OF THE CITY CHAMBERLAIN, NEW YORK, February 15, 1896. Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Mayor: Sir—In pursuance of section 165 of the Consolidation Act of 1882, I have the honor to present herewith a report to February 8, 1896, of all moneys received by me, and the amount of all warrants paid by me since January 31, 1896, and the amount remaining to the credit of the City on February 8, 1896. Very respectfully, ANSON G. McCOOK, Chamberlain.

DR. THE MAYOR, ALDERMEN AND COMMONALTY OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, in account with ANSON G. McCook, Chamberlain, during the week ending February 8, 1896. CR.

1896.	Feb. 8	1896.	Jan. 31	1896.	Jan. 31	1896.	Jan. 31	1896.	Jan. 31
To Additional Water Fund.....		\$9,327 22		By Balance.....					
Additional Water Fund, City of New York.....		32,022 80		Taxes.....		Austen.....		\$187,925 48	
Additional Public Parks Fund.....		4,059 00		Interest on Taxes.....		".....		4,787 76	
Armory Fund.....		217 00		Water-meter Fund, No. 2.....		".....		122 37	
Assessment Commission—Awards.....		97 69		Arrears of Taxes.....		Gilon.....		47,096 42	
Block Tax and Assessment Map Fund.....		774 98		Interest on Taxes.....		".....		6,576 02	
Bridge over Harlem River—Third Avenue.....		561 66		Fund for Street and Park Openings.....		".....		7,621 28	
Bridge over Harlem River—Between First and Willis Avenues.....		371 66		Street Improvement Fund—June 15, 1896.....		".....		107,975 09	
Castle Garden, etc., Improvement of.....		349 19		Interest on Assessments.....		".....		3,308 83	
Cathedral Parkway—Improvement and Construction.....		180 21		Towns of Westchester.....		".....		186 66	
Central Park, Construction of.....		541 61		Interest—Towns of Westchester.....		".....		22 78	
Change of Grade, etc., 23d and 24th Wards.....		1,230 74		Fees—Towns of Westchester.....		".....		20 00	
Commissioners of Excise Fund.....		10,780 79		Lands purchased for Taxes and Assessments—23d and 24th Wards.....		".....		432 01	
Corlears Hook Park—Construction and Improvement.....		29 00		Interest on Lands Purchased for Taxes and Assessments—23d and 24th Wards.....		".....		97 99	
Croton Water Fund.....		8,324 30		Harlem River Improvement Fund.....		".....		12 82	
Croton Water Rent Refunding Account.....		61 95		Water-meter Fund, No. 2.....		".....		144 16	
Dock Fund.....		28,415 54		Interest on Setting Meers.....		".....		16 92	
Fire Hydrant Fund.....		266 33		Sundry Licenses.....		Healy.....		299 00	
Fund for Gratuitous Vaccination.....		300 00		Restoring and Repaving—23d and 24th Wards.....		".....		78 00	
Fund for Street and Park Openings.....		23,231 26		Restoring and Repaving—Department of Public Works.....		".....		931 00	
Improvement of Parks, Parkways and Drives.....		8,916 61		Tapping Pipes.....		".....		257 00	
Intestate Estates.....		98 94		Excise Licenses.....		Johnson.....		103 88	
Mulberry Bend Park, Construction of.....		169 80		Street Incumbrance Fund.....		Board of Excise.....		133,345 00	
New East River Bridge Fund.....		1,895 10		Fund for Gratuitous Vaccination.....		Waring.....		238 50	
New Park Fund.....		177 45		Hospital Fund.....		Clark.....		44 94	
New York Fire Department Relief Fund.....		18,205 00		Antitoxin Fund.....		".....		416 00	
Pelham Bay Park.....		35 79		Theatre and Concert Licenses.....		".....		2,305 00	
Public Buildings—Seventh and Eleventh District Courts.....		24 00		Register's Fees.....		Mayor.....		900 00	
Public Buildings—23d and 24th Wards.....		24 00		County Clerk's Fees.....		Sohmer.....		9,120 59	
Public Drive-way, Construction of.....		19,357 11		Public School Library Fund.....		Purroy.....		4,326 64	
Public School Teachers Retirement Fund.....		1,734 87		Public Charities and Correction—Salaries				12,437 66	
Rapid Transit Fund, No. 2.....		7,238 34		1835.....		Timmerman.....		25 70	
Refunding Taxes Paid in Error.....		28,333 29		Unclaimed Salaries and Wages.....		Einstein.....		177 76	
Repaving.....		82,015 58		Dock Fund.....		".....		18 00	
Repaving Roads, Streets and Avenues—23d and 24th Wards (Willis Ave).....		105 79		General Fund.....		Collis.....		931 00	
Restoring and Repaving—Special Fund—Department of Public Works.....		2,114 50		".....		Johnson.....		257 00	
Revenue Bond Fund—County Clerk's Office.....		13 37		".....		".....		103 88	
Revenue Bond Fund—Health Department.....		5,566 65		".....		Board of Excise.....		133,345 00	
Revenue Bond Fund—Preparation, etc., Appellate Division Supreme Court.....		5,361 50		".....		Waring.....		238 50	
Revenue Bond Fund—Surveys, etc.....		24 00		".....		Clark.....		44 94	
Riverside Park—Construction of.....		23,645 12		".....		".....		416 00	
Riverside Park and Drive—Completion of Construction.....		19,126 00		".....		".....		2,305 00	
School-house Fund.....		147 15		".....		Mayor.....		900 00	
Sheriff's Fees.....		44,098 91		".....		Sohmer.....		9,120 59	
Street Improvement Fund—June 15, 1896.....		200 00		".....		Purroy.....		4,326 64	
Theatre and Concert Licenses.....		67 92		".....				12,437 66	
Unclaimed Salaries and Wages.....		2 42		".....					
Van Cortlandt Park Parade Ground.....		919 00		".....					
Water-main Fund.....		35 60		".....					
Williamsbridge Sewer Fund.....				".....					
Advertising.....				".....					
Aquarium.....				".....					
Aqueduct—Repairs, Maintenance and Strengthening.....				".....					
Armories and Drill-rooms—Wages.....				".....					
Babies' Ward, Post Graduate Hospital.....				".....					
Bacteriological Laboratory.....				".....					
Benjamin Brewster and Richard Hoag as Executors, etc.....				".....					
Board of Estimate and Apportionment, Expenses of.....				".....					
Board of Street Opening and Improvement.....				".....					
Boring, Examinations for Grading and Sewer Contracts.....				".....					
Boulevards, Roads and Avenues, Maintenance of.....				".....					
Bridges crossing Railroad—23d and 24th Wards.....				".....					
Bridge over Harlem River Ship Canal—Maintenance.....				".....					
Bronx River and other Bridges.....				".....					
Bronx River Works.....				".....					
Burial of Honorably Discharged Soldiers, Sailors and Marines.....				".....					
City Contingencies.....				".....					
City Record—Salaries and Contingencies.....				".....					
Civil Service of the City of New York.....				".....					
Cleaning Markets.....				".....					
Cleaning Streets—Department of Street Cleaning.....				".....					
Contingencies—Clerk of the Common Council.....				".....					
Contingencies—Department of Public Works.....				".....					
Contingencies—District Attorney's Office.....				".....					
Contingencies—District Attorney's Office—Arrearages.....				".....					
Contingencies—Law Department.....				".....					
Contingencies—Register's Office.....				".....					
Contingent Expenses—Central Department, etc.....				".....					
College of the City of New York.....				".....					
Copying Records—White Plains.....				".....					
Coroners—Salaries and Expenses.....				".....					
Department of Buildings.....				".....					
Department of Correction.....				".....					
Department of Public Charities.....				".....					
Election Expenses.....				".....					
Estimate, Amount Required for Interest, etc.....				".....					
Fire Department Fund.....				".....					
Free Floating Baths.....				".....					
Furniture, Keep of Horses, Vans, etc.....				".....					
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs, Improvement and Maintenance.....				".....					
Health Fund.....				".....					
Hospital Fund.....				".....					
Improvement and Maintenance of Parks—23d and 24th Wards.....				".....					
Incidental Expenses of Sheriff's Office.....				".....					
Interest on the City Debt.....				".....					
Judgments.....				".....					
Lamps and Gas and Electric Lighting.....				".....					
Lithographing and Printing Final Maps and Profiles.....				".....					
Maintenance and Construction of New Parks north of Harlem River.....				".....					
Maintenance and Government of Parks and Places.....				".....					
Maintenance—23d and 24th Wards.....				".....					
Making Rock Soundings, etc.....				".....					
Matteawan State Hospital.....				".....					
Monumenting Streets and Avenues.....				".....					
Mothers and Babies' Hospital.....									

1896.	Sewers—Repairing and Cleaning.....	\$1,048 50
Feb. 8	Sewers and Drains—Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.....	463 77
	Seventh Regiment Armory, Trustees of.....	8,000 00
	Standard Bench Marks.....	233 22
	Street Improvements—For Surveying, Monumenting and Numbering Sts	24 00
	Supplies for Police.....	9,583 33
	Support of Indigent Prisoners in County Jail.....	174 40
	Supplies for and Cleaning Public Offices.....	1,613 60
	Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.....	3,524 64
	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	3 22
	Surveying Laying-out, etc., Making Topographical Surveys, etc.....	798 17
	Telephonic Services and Contingencies.....	65 00
	Utica State Hospital.....	49 29
		\$1,256,496 87
	Balance	\$1,653,202 91
		1,430,641 89
		\$3,083,844 80

THE MAYOR, ALDERMEN AND COMMONALY OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, in account with DR. ANSON G. McCook, Chamberlain, during the week ending February 8, 1896. CR.

1896.	Feb. 8	To Interest Registered.....	\$27,200 75	1896.	Jan. 31	By Balance.....	\$29,799 25
		Balance.....	36,038 50		Feb. 8	Interest Registered.....	33,440 00
							\$63,239 25

February 8, 1896. By Balance..... \$36,038 25

ANSON G. McCook, City Chamberlain.

THE MAYOR, ALDERMEN AND COMMONALY OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, in account with DR. ANSON G. McCook, Chamberlain, during the week ending February 8, 1896. CR.

1896.	Feb. 8	To Unclaimed Interest.....	\$905 00	1896.	Jan. 31	By Balance.....	\$14,410 39
		Balance.....	13,505 39				\$14,410 39

February 8, 1896. By Balance..... \$13,505 39

ANSON G. McCook, City Chamberlain.

THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE SINKING FUNDS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, in account with ANSON G. McCook, Chamberlain, for and during the week ending February 8, 1896.

1895.	Jan. 31	By Balance as per last account current.....	\$1,327,823 87
	Feb. 8	To Sinking Fund Redempt on No. 2	\$100,000 00
		To Balance.....	1,227,823 87
			\$1,327,823 87

February 8, 1896. By Balance..... \$1,327,823 87

ANSON G. McCook, City Chamberlain.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK, MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, THURSDAY, February 20, 1896, eleven o'clock A.M.

The Board met in pursuance of an adjournment.

Present—William L. Strong, the Mayor; Ashbel P. Fitch, the Comptroller; Edward P. Barker, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments; Francis M. Scott, the Counsel to the Corporation.

Absent—John Jeroloman, the President of the Board of Aldermen.

The minutes of the meetings held January 15, 17, 20 and 31 and February 18, 1896, were read and approved.

The Comptroller presented the following:

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS, NEW YORK, January 16, 1896.

Resolved, That the sum of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen dollars (\$1,915) be and the same is hereby appropriated from the proceeds of bonds, to be issued by the Comptroller, with the approval of a majority of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, pursuant to chapter 88 of the Laws of 1895, application for the issue of which is hereby made, for the purpose of paying the bill of Francis W. Ford, City Surveyor, hereinbefore mentioned, for surveys, maps or plans made by him of certain sites for school purposes, authorized and directed to be made by resolutions adopted by the Board of Education, under the provisions of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, as amended by chapter 35 of the Laws of 1890, said sum to be paid by the Comptroller out of the proceeds of said bonds, when issued, requisition therefor being hereby made, for the payment of the following-named bill:

Francis W. Ford—

For survey, No. 72 Monroe street, and four copies of description, May 8, 1895..... \$40 00
For survey, Nos. 11 and 13 Grove street and No. 99 Bedford street, and four copies with description, May 8, 1895..... 45 00
For survey, Nos. 268 and 276 West Tenth street and No. 694 Greenwich street, and four copies with description, May 9, 1895..... 55 00
For survey, rear of Nos. 197 to 205 West Houston street, and four copies with description, May 9, 1895..... 50 00
For survey, No. 42 Greenwich avenue, and four copies with description, May 18, 1895..... 40 00
For survey, Nos. 32 and 32½ Carmine street, and four copies with description, May 24, 1895..... 40 00
For survey, eleven lots, One Hundred and Forty-first street east of Brook avenue, and four copies with description, May 28, 1895..... 40 00
For survey, Nos. 100 and 102 Broom street and No. 25 Sheriff street, and four copies with description, May 28, 1895..... 60 00
For survey, Nos. 28 to 299 East Broadway, Nos. 277 to 285 Henry street, Nos. 1 to 5 Scammel street, and Nos. 16 to 22 Gouverneur street, and four copies with description, May 29, 1895..... 50 00

For survey, six lots, northwest corner of Ninety-first street and First avenue, and four copies with description, May 31, 1895..... 100 00
For survey, No. 732 Fifth street, and four copies with description, May 31, 1895..... 60 00
For survey, Nos. 327 and 329 East Nineteenth street and Nos. 310 to 320 East Twentieth street, and four copies with description, June 7, 1895..... 80 00
For survey, one lot south of One Hundred and Seventeenth street west of St. Nicholas avenue, and four copies with description, June 10, 1895..... 35 00

For survey, fourteen lots north side of One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, between Beach and Union avenues, and four copies with description, June 10, 1895..... 95 00
For survey, four lots Ogden avenue, adjoining Grammar School No. 91, and four copies with description, June 11, 1895..... 50 00
For survey, eleven houses, Varick, Beach and North Moore streets, and four copies with description, June 11, 1895..... 95 00

For survey, ten lots west side of St. Nicholas avenue, between One Hundred and Twenty-sixth and One Hundred and Twenty-seventh streets, and four copies with description, June 11, 1895..... 35 00
For survey, Nos. 212 and 214 East Forty-seventh street, and four copies with description, June 11, 1895..... 45 00
For survey, Nos. 502 and 504 East Eighty-second street, and four copies with description, June 11, 1895..... 50 00

For survey, No. 171 East One Hundred and Fourteenth street, and four copies with description, June 11, 1895..... 45 00
For survey, Nos. 215 and 217 East One Hundred and Ninth street, and four copies with description, June 12, 1895..... 35 00
For survey, Ninety-third street and Amsterdam avenue, and four copies with description, June 13, 1895..... 45 00
For survey, Nos. 39 to 49 Rivington street, Nos. 181 to 187 Eldridge street, and Nos. 158 to 166 Forsyth street, and four copies with description, June 13, 1895..... 50 00

For survey, No. 350 West Thirty-sixth street and No. 353 West Thirty-fifth street, and four copies with description, June 13, 1895..... 40 00
For survey, No. 124 Henry street and Nos. 165 to 171 Madison street, and four copies with description, June 17, 1895..... 90 00

For survey, ten lots west side of Trinity avenue, between One Hundred and Thirty-fifth and One Hundred and Thirty-sixth streets, and four copies with description, June 18, 1895..... 45 00
For survey, north side Fifty-second street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues, and four copies with description, June 18, 1895..... 90 00

For survey, Nos. 65 to 79 Hester street and Nos. 42 to 46 Orchard street and Nos. 35 and 37 Ludlow street, and four copies with description, June 19, 1895..... 45 00
For survey, Nos. 113 and 115 East Fourth street, and four copies with description, June 20, 1895..... 90 00

1896.	Feb. 8	Court Fees & Fines—	SINKING FUND FOR REDEMPTION OF CITY DEBT.		SINKING FUND FOR PAYMENT OF INTEREST ON CITY DEBT.	
			DR.	CR.	DR.	CR.
		Mangan.....	\$207 50			
		Murphy.....	474 00			
		Kennedy.....	386 50			
		Galligan.....	366 50			
		Thoma.....	1,126 00			
		Hayes.....	393 26			
		Costigan.....	236 55			
		McDonald, on ac.....	1,848 90			
		Fuller.....	4,787 00			
		Floch.....	397 00			
		Wolff.....	416 00			
		Williams.....	137 25			
		Doremus.....	725 00			
		Tebbits.....	1,162 50			
		Stenographers' Fees, Purroy.....	\$17,887 52			
		F & P. Lyon.....	1,374 00			
		" Van De Can.....	2,230 00			
		" Healy.....	25 00			
		" Phillips.....	85 00			
		To Sinking Fund—Redemption.....	2,567 73			
		To Sinking Fund—Interest.....	610,757 36			
		To Balances.....	1,825,177 66			
					\$2,435,935 02	\$2,435,935 02
						\$580,870 31
						\$580,870 31

February 8, 1896. By Balances..... \$1,825,177 66

ANSON G. McCook, City Chamberlain.

E. & O. E.

THE MAYOR, ALDERMEN, AND COMMONALY OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, in account with DR. ANSON G. McCook, Chamberlain, during the week ending February 8, 1896. CR.

1896.	Feb. 8	To Witness Fees.....	\$349 12	1896.	Jan. 31	By Balance.....	\$460 68
		Balance.....	111 50				

February 8, 1896. By Balance..... \$460 68

ANSON G. McCook, City Chamberlain.

THE MAYOR, ALDERMEN, AND COMMONALY OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, in account with DR. ANSON G. McCook, Chamberlain, during the week ending February 8, 1896. CR.

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A perspective view of the building is inclosed. The facing of the fronts on the avenue and streets to be of Indiana limestone from the foundation up to and including the first-story cornice, except the brick panels between windows. The brick to be gray and about the color of the limestone. Above the first-story cornice the facing to be of gray brick with terra-cotta trimmings of same color.

The building is to be of the skeleton or bird-cage and steel construction, and fireproof throughout.

The dimensions of the building are two hundred feet on the avenue and ninety-five feet on the streets.

It is to be five stories in height, including the attic.

The floor of the cellar is to be concreted with cement top finish.

The floors of the first-story and all of the corridors are paved with asphalt.

The floors of the stories above are of hard maple.

The flat part of roof is asphalt, the pitched part slate.

The first story is to be devoted to playrooms for the children.

The second, third and fourth stories are divided into class-rooms, sixteen on each floor, forty-eight in all.

The attic will contain boys and girls' gymnasium, draughting-room, lecture-room, library, sewing and cooking rooms, clay modelling-room, and toilet accommodations for the children.

The building is designed for the reception of 2,880 pupils.

Respectfully, EUG. E. MCLEAN, Engineer.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 88 of the Laws of 1895, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the issue of School-house Bonds in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to be known as "Consolidated Stock of the City of New York," as provided by section 132 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, to the amount of two hundred and fifty-six thousand dollars (\$256,000), and the Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to issue the same, for such period as he may determine, but not longer than twenty years, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum, the proceeds of which bonds shall be applied to the payment of the contract to be entered into by the School Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward with P. J. Walsh for erecting a new school building on the site St. Ann's avenue, One Hundred and Forty-seventh and One Hundred and Forty-eighth streets, as specified in the resolution relating thereto adopted by the Board of Education January 15, 1896; and

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund be requested to exempt the said stock from taxation by the City and County of New York, pursuant to an ordinance of the Common Council, approved by the Mayor, October 2, 1880, and the provisions of section 137 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882.

Which were adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, and Counsel to the Corporation—4.

The Comptroller presented the following:

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS, NEW YORK, February 14, 1896. To the Board of Education:

The Committee on Sites, to whom was referred the following communication from the Counsel to the Corporation, viz.:

LAW DEPARTMENT—OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, NEW YORK, January 15, 1896. Hon. ROBERT MACLAY, President, Board of Education:

SIR—I have transmitted to the Comptroller a certified copy of the report of the Commissioners of Estimate in the matter of acquiring title to certain lands at the northwest corner of Ninety-first street and First avenue, in the Twelfth Ward, as a site for school purposes, together with a certified copy of an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 13th day of January, 1896, and filed and entered on the 14th day of January, 1896, confirming said report.

The aggregate amount of the award is \$51,000, and the costs, charges and expenses of the proceeding were taxed at \$2,970.10. Respectfully yours,

FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation.

—respectfully report:

That it appears from the report and order made in said proceedings that the amount of the awards, and of the costs, charges and expenses, as confirmed by the Court, are as follows:

Lands at the northwest corner of Ninety-first street and First avenue, in the Twelfth Ward:

Awards, \$51,000; costs, charges and expenses, \$2,970.10; total, \$53,970.10.

Your Committee therefore recommend for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That, in pursuance of chapter 252 of the Laws of 1889, the Comptroller of the City of New York be and he hereby is requested to issue, with the approval of a majority of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, bonds for the purpose of providing the funds to meet the expenditures necessary for the acquisition of the lands at the northwest corner of Ninety-first street and First avenue, in the Twelfth Ward, as a site for school purposes, under the provisions of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, as amended by chapter 35 of the Laws of 1890, for the payment of the awards, costs, charges and expenses confirmed by the Court in the proceedings therefor, amounting in the aggregate to the sum of fifty-three thousand nine hundred and seventy and ten one-hundredths dollars (\$53,970.10) the same to be paid by the said Comptroller out of the proceeds of said bonds, when issued, requisition therefor being hereby made.

A true copy of report and resolution adopted by the Board of Education February 5, 1896.

ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk.

LAW DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, NEW YORK, January 15, 1896. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—I inclose herewith a certified copy of the report of the Commissioners of Estimate, in the matter of acquiring title to certain lands at the northwest corner of Ninety-first street and First avenue, in the Twelfth Ward, as a site for school purposes, together with a certified copy of an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 13th day of January, 1896, and filed and entered on the 14th day of January, 1896, confirming the said report and taxing the costs in said proceeding.

Said order has been duly obtained, and its provisions should be complied with.

Very respectfully, FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 252 of the Laws of 1889, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the issue of School-house Bonds in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to be known as "Consolidated Stock of the City of New York," as provided by section 132 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, to the amount of fifty-three thousand nine hundred and seventy dollars and ten cents (\$53,970.10), and the Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to issue the same for such period as he may determine, but not longer than twenty years, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum, the proceeds of which bonds shall be applied to the payment of the awards, costs, charges and expenses confirmed by the Court in the proceedings for acquiring lands at the northwest corner of Ninety-first street and First avenue, in the Twelfth Ward, as a site for school purposes, as specified in the resolution relating thereto, adopted by the Board of Education February 5, 1896; and

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund be requested to exempt the said stock from taxation by the City and County of New York, pursuant to an ordinance of the Common Council, approved by the Mayor, October 2, 1880, and the provisions of section 137 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882.

Which were adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, and Counsel to the Corporation—4.

The Comptroller presented the following:

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS, NEW YORK, February 14, 1896. To the Board of Education:

The Finance Committee, to which was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, awarding contract for heating and ventilating apparatus for the new building in course of erection at Eighty-eighth street, between Second and Third avenues, respectfully reports:

That, in response to the usual duly authorized advertisement, the following bids were received:

Frank Dobson.....	\$36,443 00
Blake & Williams.....	35,859 00
John Neal's Sons.....	39,525 00
Evans, Almirall & Co.....	38,316 00
E. Rutzler.....	35,908 00
James Curran Manufacturing Co.....	38,155 00

The Trustees awarded the contract to the lowest bidders, in which action the Committee con-

cerns, and submits for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of thirty-five thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine dollars (\$35,859) be and the same is hereby appropriated from the proceeds of bonds to be issued by the Comptroller with the approval of a majority of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, pursuant to chapter 252 of the Laws of 1889, application for the issue of which is hereby made, said sum to be applied in payment of the contract to be entered into by the School Trustees of the Twelfth Ward with Blake & Williams for supplying the heating and ventilating apparatus for the building in the course of erection at Eighty-eighth street, between Second and Third avenues, requisition for which sum is hereby made upon the Comptroller.

But no part of said appropriation authorized by this resolution to be paid until the School Trustees of the Twelfth Ward shall have filed the contract to be entered into by them with the contractors named, to whom the award is made; said contract to be in such form and with such security for the faithful performance of the same as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee,

the rules of this Board in regard thereto and as to the payments to be made on account thereof to be complied with.

A true copy of report and resolution adopted by the Board of Education February 5, 1896.

ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk.

CITY OF NEW YORK, FINANCE DEPARTMENT—COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, February 19,

1896. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—The Board of Education, by resolution adopted February 5, 1896, appropriates the sum of \$35,859 from the proceeds of bonds to be issued by the Comptroller, with the approval of a majority of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, pursuant to chapter 252, Laws of 1889, said sum to be applied in payment of the contract to be entered into by the School Trustees of the Twelfth Ward with Blake & Williams for supplying the heating and ventilating and electric lighting apparatus for the building in course of erection between Second and Third avenues in Eighty-eighth street. Proposals were invited for the above work on fully elaborated and minute plans and specifications by advertisement in the CITY RECORD, and six bids were received, ranging from \$35,859 to \$39,525. The award was made to the lowest bidders, Blake & Williams, at their bid of \$35,859, the amount appropriated.

There is no reason why the appropriation should not be approved.

The building is 200 feet by 60 feet, six stories high on one and five stories on the other, the grade of the street being steep.

It is designed for the accommodation of 2,400 pupils.

There are 39 classrooms, 1 kindergarten room and gymnasium and manual training rooms.

The general system of heating and ventilation is what is called the Plenum system, two blowers being used in it, the heating on that system being reinforced by direct radiation, in which the heat is supplied by steam.

The ventilation is calculated to supply thirty cubic feet per minute of fresh air for each child.

Respectfully, EUG. E. MCLEAN, Engineer.

FEBRUARY 19, 1896.

In Board of Education February 19, 1896.

By COMMISSIONER WEHRUM—

Amend the report of the Finance Committee, Journal, page 173: Twelfth line, strike out word "and," and on same line, after the word "ventilating," insert the words "and electric lighting."

Extract from the minutes.

ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 252 of the Laws of 1889, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the issue of School-house Bonds in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to be known as "Consolidated Stock of the City of New York," as provided by section 132 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, to the amount of thirty-five thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine dollars (\$35,859), and the Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to issue the same, for such period as he may determine, but not longer than twenty years, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum, the proceeds of which bonds shall be applied to the payment of the contract to be entered into by the School Trustees of the Twelfth Ward with Blake & Williams for supplying the heating, ventilating and electric lighting apparatus for the building in the course of erection at Eighty-eighth street, between Second and Third avenues, as specified in the resolution relating thereto adopted by the Board of Education February 5, 1896, as amended February 19, 1896; and

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund be requested to exempt the said stock from taxation by the City and County of New York, pursuant to an ordinance of the Common Council, approved by the Mayor, October 2, 1880, and the provisions of section 137 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882.

Which were adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, and Counsel to the Corporation—4.

The Comptroller presented the following:

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS, NEW YORK, February 14, 1895. To the Board of Education:

The Finance Committee, to which was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, awarding contracts for supplying new furniture for building at Eighty-second street and West End avenue (Grammar School No. 9) respectfully reports:

That, in response to the usual duly authorized advertisements, the following bids were received:

	Item 1.	Item 2.
Richmond School Furniture Co.....	\$2,800 00	\$729 00
C. H. Browne.....	2,421 00	810 00
A. Lowenstein's Sons.....	.....	679 00
O. Rockefeller.....	2,694 75	.....
Andrews Manufacturing Co.....	2,207 00	685 00
Total.....	.....	\$2,886 00

—requisition for which sum is hereby made upon the Comptroller.

But no part of said appropriation authorized by this resolution to be paid until the School Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward shall have filed the contracts to be entered into by them with the contractors named, to whom the awards are made; said contracts to be in such form and with such security for the faithful performance of the same as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, the rules of this Board in regard thereto and as to the payments to be made on account thereof to be complied with.

A true copy of report and resolution adopted by the Board of Education, February 5, 1896.

ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, February 19, 1896.

Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—The Board of Education, by resolution adopted February 5, 1896, appropriates the sum of \$2,886 from the proceeds of bonds to be issued by the Comptroller, with the approval of a majority of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, pursuant to chapter 252 of the Laws of 1889, application for the issue of which is hereby made; said sum to be applied in payment of the contracts to be entered into by the School Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward for supplying furniture for the building at Eighty-second street and West End avenue (Grammar School No. 9), as under:

Proposals were invited for the above work on carefully prepared specifications and plans, by advertisement in the CITY RECORD, and five bids were received.

The awards were made to the lowest bidders, as follows:

Item 1, Andrews Manufacturing Co.....	\$2,207 00
Item 2, A. Lowenstein's Sons.....	679 00

Total.....

\$2,886 00

—which is the amount appropriated.

There is no reason why the appropriation should not be approved.

Item 1 includes 8 clocks 11-inch dial, and 1 clock 14-inch dial, platform chairs, 6 revolving, 8 library chairs and 20 ordinary height chairs for teachers' rooms, and 70 ordinary height chairs and 35 extra high chairs for class-rooms, 4 rattan couches, 6 plate-glass mirrors and 6 dressing shelves with drawers, carpets for 6 rooms, linoleum for 8 toilet-rooms, blinds for 222 windows, 30 umbrella stands, 35 book-cases for class-rooms, 1 United States flag and flag-staff, 8 kindergarten tables, 24 chairs 10 inches high, and 24 chairs 12 inches high.

Item 2 includes 2 oak roll-top desks for principals, 2 assistant teachers' desks, 35 class-room teachers' desks, 4 library cases and seven tables.

—as specified in the resolution relating thereto adopted by the Board of Education February 5, 1896; and

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund be requested to exempt the said stock from taxation by the City and County of New York, pursuant to an ordinance of the Common Council, approved by the Mayor, October 2, 1880, and the provisions of section 137 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882.

Which were adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, and Counsel to the Corporation—4.

The Comptroller presented the following:

OFFICE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, COLLEGE CITY OF NEW YORK, NO. 146 GRAND STREET, January 22, 1896.

In Board of Trustees of the College of the City of New York, January 21, 1896.

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of the College of the City of New York having executed, under date of January 9, 1896, a contract with Henry E. Howland for the purchase of six lots at the price of thirty thousand one hundred and fifty dollars (\$30,150), included within the limits of the new site selected for said College, hereby apply to the Comptroller of the City of New York, in conformity with section 4 of chapter 168 of the Laws of this State of 1895, and request that the Comptroller will issue bonds to an amount sufficient to pay the said contract price of thirty thousand one hundred and fifty dollars (\$30,150) for said lots, upon approval of the said price agreed upon by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of the City of New York. Said lots are on the northerly side of One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street, between Convent and Amsterdam avenues, are each twenty-five feet in width by ninety-nine feet and eleven inches in depth, and constitute a parcel of land distant one hundred feet easterly from Amsterdam avenue.

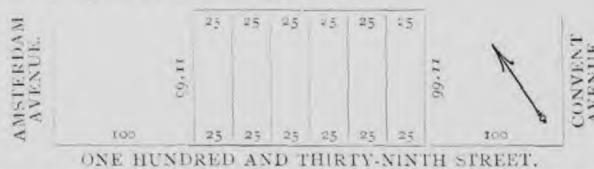
Extract from the minutes.

ARTHUR McMULLIN, Secretary.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, January 30, 1896.

Hon. ASHIEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—The Board of Trustees of the College of the City of New York, by resolution adopted January 21, 1896, applies to the Comptroller, in conformity with section 4 of chapter 168 of the Laws of 1895, for the issue of bonds, for the sum of \$30,150, for the purpose of paying for six lots of land on the northerly side of One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street, included within the limits of the new site selected for said College, a contract having been entered into by said Trustees with Henry E. Howland for the purchase of the said lots for the said sum. The dimensions and location of the said lots are shown on the diagram below:



In my estimate of November 15, 1895, of the value of the lots on this College plot, based on the prices contracted for in close proximity, I placed the value of these particular lots at \$4,500. Two lots on the south side of the street were contracted for at this rate.

The lots on One Hundred and Forty-first street, adjoining these on the north side, were contracted for at \$5,100 each.

In the purchase in open market of such a large amount of property, it is to be expected that owners will hold their property at the highest figure and get as much as they can for it.

I do not think the price is excessive, though full, for these lots. They average \$5,025 each.

Respectfully, EUG. E. MCLEAN, Engineer.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 168 of the Laws of 1895, and the advice of the Counsel to the Corporation under date of August 5, 1895, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the price agreed upon by the Trustees of the College of the City of New York for the piece of property embraced in the site for the new building of said College contracted to be purchased from Henry E. Howland, under date of January 9, 1896, for the consideration of thirty thousand one hundred and fifty dollars (\$30,150), the same being six lots of land on the northerly side of One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street, between Convent and Amsterdam avenues, about twenty-five feet in width by ninety-nine feet eleven inches in depth, and distant one hundred feet easterly from Amsterdam avenue, being the same property described in the resolution of the Board of Trustees of the College of the City of New York adopted January 21, 1896; and the Comptroller is hereby authorized and empowered to issue the necessary bonds for this purchase, as provided to be issued by chapter 168 of the Laws of 1895.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, and Counsel to the Corporation—4.

The Comptroller presented the following:

BOARD OF EDUCATION—CLERK'S OFFICE, NO. 146 GRAND STREET, NEW YORK, February 5, 1896.

(In Board of Education, February 5, 1896).

Commissioner Wehrum offered the following:

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and it is hereby respectfully requested to render applicable for use from December 31, 1895, until February 1, 1896, the unexpended balance of the appropriation of two thousand three hundred and forty-five dollars from bonds (chapter 432 of Laws of 1893), authorized by resolution of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment May 18, 1895, for the payment of wages of Assistant Draughtsmen and Inspectors employed in connection with sanitary improvements in sundry school buildings, which appropriation expired on December 31, 1895.

A true copy of resolution adopted by the Board of Education, February 5, 1896.

ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That the unexpended balance of the appropriation of two thousand three hundred and forty-five dollars (\$2,345), made by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on May 18, 1895, from Sanitary Improvement School-house Bonds issued under the authority of chapter 432 of the Laws of 1893, be and the same is hereby made applicable to the payment of wages of Assistant Draughtsmen and Inspectors employed in connection with sanitary improvements in sundry school buildings, until February 1, 1896.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, and Counsel to the Corporation—4.

The Comptroller presented the following:

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING, CITY OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK, February 11, 1895. Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Mayor, Chairman Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—I have to request that the following transfer be made from and to the respective accounts in the appropriation of the Department of Street Cleaning for 1896:

From "Sweeping" account to "Snow and Ice" account, one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000); for the reason that the amount appropriated for "Snow and Ice" is not sufficient.

Respectfully, GEO. E. WARING, Commissioner.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) be and hereby is transferred from the appropriation made to the Department of Street Cleaning for the year 1896, entitled "Sweeping" to the appropriation made to the same Department for 1896, entitled "Snow and Ice," the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, and Counsel to the Corporation—4.

The Mayor presented the following:

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING, CITY OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK, February 15, 1896. Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Mayor, Chairman Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—I respectfully ask authority to order the construction of one Delehanty Self-propelling Dumping-boat.

We are now instituting a new system of dumps for the more economical and complete handling of street sweepings, ashes and garbage, and a self-propelling boat will be absolutely necessary to the proper operation of such dumps. The experimental boat cannot be built too soon. I have looked over the whole field, and I am satisfied that the Delehanty boat is much the best in important particulars that has been offered, and it is that boat with which I recommend that the experiment be made.

As the matter has been discussed in all its bearings I trust that the accompanying resolution may be passed without further delay.

In order that there may be no question as to royalty to be paid to Lieut.-Com. Delehanty for the construction and use of this boat by the City, I append herewith his written assent to such building and use without royalty.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. E. WARING, Commissioner.

NEW YORK CITY, February 17, 1896. Colonel GEORGE E. WARING, Commissioner of Street Cleaning, New York City:

DEAR SIR—I authorize you to say to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment that in case it shall authorize the construction of a Delehanty Self-propelling Dumping-boat, under the

patents owned by me, I will waive all claim to compensation from the City for the use of said patents in the construction of the one boat authorized to be constructed.

Yours truly, D. DELEHANTY.

Debate was had thereon, whereupon the Mayor offered the following:

Resolved, That in pursuance of chapter 368 of the Laws of 1894, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the purchase, by the Commissioner of Street Cleaning, in the manner provided by law, upon bids and proposals made in compliance with public notice advertised in the CITY RECORD at least ten days prior to the opening of such proposals and bids, of one Delehanty Self-propelling Dumping-boat, at a cost of not to exceed thirty-three thousand dollars (\$33,000); and

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he hereby is authorized to issue bonds to the City of New York to the amount of thirty-three thousand dollars, as provided by chapter 368 of the Laws of 1894, to be known as "Consolidated Stock of the City of New York," as provided by section 132 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, to run for such period as he may determine, not exceeding twenty years, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per centum per annum, the proceeds of which bonds shall be applied to the purchase of the said Delehanty Self-propelling Dumping-boat; and

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund be requested to exempt the said bonds from taxation by the City and County of New York, pursuant to an ordinance of the Common Council approved by the Mayor, October 2, 1880, and the provisions of section 137 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882.

Which were adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, and Counsel to the Corporation—4.

The Comptroller presented the following:

HEALTH DEPARTMENT, CENTRE, ELM, WHITE AND FRANKLIN STREETS, NEW YORK, February 11, 1896. Hon. ASHIEL P. FITCH, Comptroller, New York City:

SIR—At a meeting of the Board of Health of the Health Department, held this day, it was

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and is respectfully requested to transfer the sum of one hundred and twelve dollars (\$112) from the appropriation entitled "Health Fund for Disinfection, 1895," which is in excess of the amount required for the purpose thereof, to the appropriation entitled "Health Fund—Hospital Supplies, Improvement, Care and Maintenance of Buildings and Hospitals, etc., 1895," which is insufficient for the purpose thereof.

A true copy.

EMMONS CLARK, Secretary.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of one hundred and twelve dollars (\$112) be and hereby is transferred from the appropriation made to the Health Department for 1895, entitled "Health Fund—For Disinfection," the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes thereof, to the appropriation made to the same Department for 1895, entitled "Health Fund—Hospital Supplies, Improvement, Care and Maintenance of Buildings and Hospitals, etc.," the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, and Counsel to the Corporation—4.

The Comptroller presented the following:

HEALTH DEPARTMENT, CENTRE, ELM, WHITE AND FRANKLIN STREETS, NEW YORK, February 13, 1896. Hon. ASHIEL P. FITCH, Comptroller, New York City:

SIR—Inclosed herewith please find the following bills:

The American Forcite Powder Manufacturing Co.	\$3 30
H. H. Hubbard	17 25
Pugsley & Chapman	20 83
Luke Butler	9 10
James McKeon	6 00
R. W. Robinson & Son	25 06
Peter Sheridan	1 00
D. Haig	6 00
G. D. Ferguson & Co.	3 40
Vought Bros.	15 84

Total.

For audit and payment on account of Revenue Bond Fund, pursuant to chapter 535, Laws of 1893, and as per resolution of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, dated October 14, 1895, " * * * Clean and Disinfect Wakefield Drain * * * \$950."

These are the final bills for the work authorized by the Board of Health, as specified in said resolution.

Very respectfully,

EMMONS CLARK, Secretary.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 535 of the Laws of 1893, the following bills this day transmitted by the Health Department:

The American Forcite Powder Mfg. Co.	\$3 30
H. H. Hubbard	17 25
Pugsley & Chapman	20 83
Luke Butler	9 10
James McKeon	6 00
R. W. Robinson & Son	25 06
Peter Sheridan	1 00
D. Haig	6 00
G. D. Ferguson & Co.	3 40
Vought Bros.	15 84

Total.

For cleaning and disinfecting Wakefield Drain, in accordance with the appropriation made by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment October 14, 1895, as amended by resolution of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment adopted December 3, 1895, be and the same are hereby approved, and the Comptroller is authorized to pay the said amounts as certified and approved to the persons entitled thereto, and to issue Revenue Bonds of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York to the amount of one hundred and seven dollars and seventy-eight cents (\$107.78) for the payment thereof, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three per cent. per annum, and the amount required for the redemption of said bonds to be included in the Final Estimate for 1897.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, and Counsel to the Corporation—4.

The Comptroller presented the following:

HEALTH DEPARTMENT, CENTRE, ELM, WHITE AND FRANKLIN STREETS, NEW YORK, February 13, 1896. Hon. ASHIEL P. FITCH, Comptroller, New York City:

SIR—Inclosed herewith please find the following bills:

D. & I. Haig	\$38 72
F. W. Treadwell	20 00
Bloomingdale Bros.	47 44

Total.

For audit and payment on account of Revenue Bond Fund, and pursuant to chapter 535, Laws of 1893, and as per resolution of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment dated October 14, 1895, " * * * Protect by Proper Guards and Lights * * * \$1,000."

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The Comptroller presented the following:

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, NO. 300 MULBERRY STREET, NEW YORK, December 10, 1895. *To the Honorable the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:*

GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the Board of Police, held this day, it was

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and is hereby respectfully requested to transfer the sum of thirty-five hundred dollars from the appropriation made to the Police Department for the year 1892, entitled "Construction of Station-house, Lodging-house and Prison for the Ninth Precinct," which is in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation made to the same Department for the year 1895, entitled "Contingent Expenses of the Central Department, etc., etc., which is insufficient, to enable the Treasurer to pay bills presented for payment for expenses incurred by officers in obtaining evidence against disreputable houses and other expenses, properly chargeable against the Contingent Fund.

Very respectfully, *Chief Clerk.*

Approved by THEODORE ROOSEVELT, A. D. ANDREWS, FREDERICK D. GRANT, Police Commissioners.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT—COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, February 17, 1896. *To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:*

The Board of Police, by a resolution adopted December 10, 1895, requested the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to transfer the sum of seventy-five hundred dollars from the appropriation made to the Police Department for the year 1892, entitled "Construction of Station-house, Lodging-house and Prison for the Ninth Precinct," to the appropriation made to the same Department for 1895, entitled "Contingent Expenses of the Central Department, etc., etc., which is insufficient, to enable the Treasurer to pay bills presented for payment for expenses incurred by officers in obtaining certain evidence.

There are reasons why, in my judgment, this Board should reject the application of the Board of Police.

The general spirit and purpose of the Consolidation Act is that unexpended balances of appropriations shall not be carried for years on the books of the Corporation, to be ultimately used for some purpose entirely foreign to that for which the Board of Estimate originally made the appropriation. Section 207, on the contrary, shows that it is intended that moneys raised by taxation and unexpended shall, as soon as practicable after the expiration of the year for which the appropriation was made, be transferred to the "General Fund for the Reduction of Taxation." Year after year this rule has been followed by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

It is true that the Department of Public Works and the Police Department are exempted from the prohibition against transferring unexpended balances of one year to appropriations of another year, but this statutory privilege furnishes no ground for reversing the general spirit and purpose of charter requirements, unless good reasons can be shown for the necessity of taking advantage thereof.

In the present instance the appropriation from which it is proposed to take the sum of seventy-five hundred dollars was made four years ago for a specific purpose which the Board of Police has refused or neglected to carry out. I do not think that it requires any extended argument to show the impropriety of using money levied from the taxpayers of 1892 for the erection of a station-house in the Ninth Precinct, for contingent expenses of the Police Department incurred in 1895. If the money is not needed for the purpose for which it was appropriated, it should be covered into the "General Fund for the Reduction of Taxation" as the Consolidation Act provides. I am aware that, from time to time, under press of circumstances, departures from this salutary rule have been made by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, but the practice is at best a bad one, and the present instance furnishes such a flagrant example of indirect evasion of the rule of making annual appropriations for the expenses of each year that I believe it to be time to call a halt.

It is manifest that if the Board of Police can carry to their credit on the books of the Corporation large credit balances of appropriations for constructing public buildings which it is not intended shall ever in fact be constructed, and shall then be at liberty, from time to time, to use such balances for current expenses like contingencies, etc., two results must inevitably follow: First, the taxpayers will be deprived *pro tanto* of a reduction of taxation to which they are entitled by the spirit of the laws; and, secondly, the public will be mystified and deceived as to the actual amount of annual expenditures incurred by the Police Department.

There is another feature of this request to which I wish to draw the attention of this Board.

The purpose of the transfer is stated to be "to enable the Treasurer to pay bills presented for payment for expenses incurred by officers in obtaining evidence against disreputable houses and other expenses properly chargeable against the Contingent Fund."

It would thus seem that this application has not been made to this Board until after liabilities in excess of the appropriation have actually been incurred. In other words, the Board of Police, or their subordinates, having first deliberately violated the law then ask this Board to take such action as will relieve them of the responsibility of their acts.

Section 47 of the Consolidation Act reads as follows:

"It shall be the duty of the heads of all departments of said city, and of all boards and officers charged with the duty of expending or incurring obligations payable out of the moneys raised by tax in said city, so to regulate such expenditures for any purpose or object, that the same shall not in any one year exceed the amount appropriated by the board of estimate and apportionment for such purpose or object, and no charge, claim, or liability shall exist or arise against said city for any sum in excess of the amount appropriated for the several purposes."

And section 117 of the Penal Code provides that "a public officer or person holding a public trust or employment, upon whom any duty is enjoined by law who wilfully neglects to perform the duty, is guilty of a misdemeanor."

I do not know what officials of the Police Department, if any, have subjected themselves to the penalties of the law above quoted, nor is that a question which particularly concerns the Board of Estimate and Apportionment at the present time. It is sufficient to observe that the Police Department seems to entertain the belief that that Board is wholly independent of and superior to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment in the matter of shaping, modifying and increasing its appropriations, and that the duties of this Board in the premises are limited to the mechanical registering of the will of the Board of Police. From such an assumption I wish most emphatically to dissent.

No provisions of law affecting the City of New York are more elementary than those which impose upon the Board of Estimate and Apportionment the duty and responsibility of determining what shall be the total amount of expenditures to be incurred by the several departments of the City Government in any one year.

If a Department or City Board wishes to expend more than the amount of its appropriation as fixed in the Final Estimate, the law requires it to make application to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for an increase thereof by means of a transfer, and the action of this Board upon such an application determines whether or not the proposed additional expenditure can be legally incurred.

In the present instance the expense has been incurred illegally, and rather than acquiesce in that subversion of our system of municipal government which would follow the yielding up of the functions of this Board to the independent action of City Departments, I propose to allow the responsibility for these illegal expenses of the Police Department to rest with those individuals under the color of whose authority the same were originally incurred.

Respectfully, *ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller.*

Laid over.

The Comptroller presented the following:

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, 300 MULBERRY STREET, NEW YORK, December 13, 1895. *To the Honorable the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:*

GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the Board of Police held this day it was

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and is hereby respectfully requested to transfer the sum of thirty-eight thousand six hundred and eighty dollars from the appropriation made to the Police Department for the year 1892, entitled "Construction of Station-house, Lodging-house and Prison, Ninth Precinct," which is in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to an appropriation made to the same Department for the year 1893, entitled "Construction of a Station-house, Lodging-house, Prison and Stable, Twelfth Precinct," which is insufficient for the purposes and objects thereof, making a total appropriation for Station-house, Lodging-house, Prison and Stable for the Twelfth Precinct, \$100,000, and that said total amount of \$100,000 be reserved and appropriated for the year 1896 for the purposes and objects mentioned in the original appropriation, namely, the construction of a station-house, lodging-house, prison and stable in the Twelfth Precinct, upon the site now owned by the City.

Very respectfully, *WM. H. KIPP, Chief Clerk.*

LAW DEPARTMENT—OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, NEW YORK, January 15, 1896. *Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:*

SIR—I have received your letter of 26th ultimo in relation to

the application of the Board of Police Commissioners for a transfer of thirty-eight thousand six hundred and eighty dollars (\$38,680) to the appropriation made in 1893 for the "Construction of a Station-house, Lodging-house and Prison, and Stable for Patrol Wagons, for the Twelfth Precinct."

The facts in relation to the application are as follows:

1. In 1893 an appropriation of seventy thousand dollars was included in the Final Estimate for the purpose above indicated.

2. That, subsequently, certain amounts have been transferred from the appropriation to other purposes, under certificates from the Police Department, and the appropriation has remained otherwise unexpended.

3. That it is now proposed by the Police Department that a transfer shall be made to augment the appropriation to the aggregate amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), and use the same for the original purpose indicated in the year 1896.

By chapter 186 of the Laws of 1893, amending section 207 of the Consolidation Act, a transfer of appropriation made for any object or purpose in one year to any purpose or object in any subsequent year is forbidden, and provision is made for transferring to the General Fund appropriations remaining unexpended sixty days after the expiration of the year in which they are made.

Said section 207, as amended, however, does not apply to the Police Department.

There is, therefore, no legal objection to the transfer requested even if the sums transferred be taken from appropriations for years other than the year 1893.

I am also of the opinion that there is no legal objection to expending the appropriation made for the specific purpose above indicated in 1893 for the same purpose in the year 1896.

2d. Your letter also inquires whether the Bureau of Elections is to be regarded as an independent bureau, or as a part of the Police Department, and whether the provision of chapter 186 of the Laws of 1893, which excepts the Police Department from the prohibition against transferring balances of one year to the appropriations of another year, applies to appropriations specifically made for the Bureau of Elections.

The Bureau of Elections is maintained pursuant to sections 260 and 1845 of the Consolidation Act.

In each of said sections it is made the duty of the Board of Police to continue the Bureau in the office of the Department of Police; it is also provided that the affairs of the Bureau shall be conducted and carried on subject to such rules, regulations and orders as may from time to time be made and adopted by the Board of Police.

I am therefore of the opinion that the Bureau of Elections is a part of the Police Department, and the exception of the Police Department from the prohibition against transferring balances of one year to the appropriation of another year is applicable to the appropriations made for the use of said Bureau.

I remain, yours respectfully,

FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of thirty-eight thousand six hundred and eighty dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the appropriation made to the Police Department for the year 1892, entitled "Construction of Station-house, Lodging-house and Prison, Ninth Precinct," the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation made to the same Department for the year 1893, entitled "Construction of a Station-house, Lodging-house, Prison and Stable, Twelfth Precinct," the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, and Counsel to the Corporation—4.

The Comptroller presented the following:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, NO. 31 CHAMBERS STREET, NEW YORK, February 3, 1896. *Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Mayor, and Chairman Board of Estimate and Apportionment:*

DEAR SIR—In relation to the matter providing for the extra amount essential to pay the difference of rent between the sum paid per annum for No. 31 Chambers street (\$12,000) and the sum proposed to be paid per annum for apartments and accommodations for the Department of Public Works in the American Tract Society's Building, corner of Nassau and Spruce streets (\$24,000), for the eight months of 1896—May 1 to December 31—the following amount can be transferred from "Supplies for and Cleaning Public Offices" for 1896, to "Rents," for payment of rent of property leased to the Corporation for public offices and other purposes, etc., to wit, the sum of \$8,000. This amount is calculated as follows:

Rent of No. 31 Chambers street, May 1 to December 31.....	\$8,000 00
Rent of American Tract Society's Building, May 1 to December 31.....	16,000 00

Amount to be provided.....

—this amount to be provided from the appropriation for "Supplies for and Cleaning Public Offices" by transfer of the following savings:

Supplies of—	
Coal.....	\$478 66
Wood.....	53 28
Ice.....	173 06
Gas.....	876 82
Electric lighting.....	277 65

\$1,859 47

1,300 00

Repairs to Building No. 31 Chambers street.....	\$8,000 00
Employees for heating, cleaning, etc.	2,640 00

4,893 32

\$8,098 79

Total.....

I therefore request that the sum of \$8,000 be transferred as above referred to.

Very respectfully, *CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner of Public Works.*

And offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of eight thousand dollars be and hereby is transferred from the appropriation made to the Department of Public Works for "Supplies for and Cleaning Public Offices" for 1896, the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes thereof, to the appropriation for "Rents," for payment of rent of property leased to the Corporation for public offices, etc., for 1896.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, and the Counsel to the Corporation—4.

The Comptroller presented the following:

(Copy.)

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, January 29, 1896. *Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Mayor, and Chairman Board of Estimate and Apportionment:*

DEAR SIR—The funds provided by the Comptroller from the sale of bonds for "Fire-hydrant Stock," for placing fire-hydrants and laying the necessary connecting mains, having been nearly exhausted in payment of bills for work done and materials furnished, I would respectfully request that, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 510, Laws of 1894, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment authorize the Comptroller to make a further issue of bonds to the amount of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for this work. Very respectfully,

(Signed) *CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner of Public Works.*

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, NEW YORK, February 18, 1896. *Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:*

DEAR SIR—I understand that the Commissioner of Public Works has made requisition on the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for the issue of bonds for laying water-mains and placing additional fire-hydrants for the use of the Fire Department of this city, under the provisions of chapter 510, of the Laws of 1894, and take this opportunity of advocating the allowance of this requisition for the reason that the hydrants in all that section of the city lying mostly north of Twenty-third street, are a great distance apart, and are entirely inadequate for the wants of this Department in case of large fires.

As you are well aware many sections of the city are constantly changing from dwelling, to factory and warehouse, and with the improvements in the construction of buildings, permitting greater areas and heights, additional and ample facilities are required to meet emergencies and extinguish fires when they occur within the sections that are constantly changing.

While those sections were used for dwelling purposes, and not entirely built up, the number of hydrants was possibly sufficient, but at the present time we are far behind the pace of the improvements in this particular, and would request that you give this matter your immediate attention, so that this Department may have additional hydrants, and thereby obtain the greatest auxiliary in the extinguishment of fires, namely, additional hydrants, which means the concentration of our pumping machinery, and greater and nearer quantity of water in the immediate vicinity of the fire.

Very respectfully, *HUGH BONNER, Chief of Department.*

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 510 of the Laws of 1894, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby consents to the expenditure of the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) in the year 1896 for fire-hydrants, and the Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to issue "Fire-hydrant Stock of the City of New York," to be also known as "Consolidated Stock of the City of New York," as provided by section 132 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, to the amount of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), redeemable at such time as the Comptroller may determine, not less than ten nor more than fifty years from the date of issue, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum, the proceeds of which bonds shall be applied to placing fire-hydrants and laying the necessary mains in connection therewith in the City of New York where called for by the Fire Department.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—4.

The Comptroller presented the following :

BURNHAM MOFFAT, COUNSELLOR AT LAW, Nos. 60 and 62 COTTON EXCHANGE BUILDING, NEW YORK, February 4, 1896. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller, City of New York, No. 280 Broadway, New York City :

MY DEAR SIR—I cannot acquiesce in your interpretation of the action of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment regarding my claim for compensation as Counsel to the Department of Public Charities and Correction in the recent investigation of the New York City Asylums for the Insane. I think the law is clear, that the Board audited and allowed my claim at \$7,000 and I accordingly make, herewith, formal demand upon you that you forthwith raise said sum of \$7,000 by the issue of Revenue Bonds in anticipation of the collection of the taxes of the year 1896 and forthwith pay over to me the moneys so raised for and upon my said claim.

Very respectfully yours, R. BURNHAM MOFFAT.

And offered the following :

Whereas, By chapter 521 of the Laws of 1895, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment is authorized, in its discretion, to examine the claim of R. Burnham Moffat, arising for legal services rendered as Counsel for the Department of Public Charities and Correction, and if it shall satisfactorily appear to the said Board that such services were actually rendered and that said claim is founded in equity and justice, to audit and allow as a charge against the City the amount of said claim, or any part thereof, and to include in the taxes to be levied and raised for the year 1896 upon the estates subject to taxation in the City and County of New York an amount sufficient to pay such sum as they may so audit and allow ; and

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment has not as yet made any due, complete or satisfactory examination of said claim or reached any conclusion as to what amount, if any, should be audited and allowed under the authority of said Act as a charge against the City, but the said Board of Estimate and Apportionment, nevertheless, and for the purpose of providing a fund whereby the said claim, whenever duly audited, might be paid, did on the 31st day of December, 1895, include in the Final Estimate for 1896 the following item :

"Claim of R. Burnham Moffat, for services rendered as Counsel to the Department of Public Charities and Correction on the investigation of the New York City Asylums for the Insane before the State Commission in Lunacy, a sum not exceeding \$7,000 ;" and

Whereas, It has been claimed that this action on the part of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment was an audit and allowance of said claim at the sum of seven thousand dollars (\$7,000), and it is deemed expedient that the title of said appropriation should more specifically express the intention of this Board in adopting the same ; therefore be it

Resolved, That the title of the appropriation included in the Final Estimate for 1896 among "Miscellaneous Purposes," in relation to the claim of R. Burnham Moffat, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

"For payment of such amount, if any, as may be hereafter audited and allowed by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for the claim of R. Burnham Moffat, for services rendered as Counsel to the Department of Public Charities and Correction, on the investigation of the New York City Asylums for the Insane before the State Commission in Lunacy, not exceeding \$7,000."

Which were adopted by the following vote : Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, and Counsel to the Corporation—4.

The Comptroller presented the following :

LAW DEPARTMENT—OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, NEW YORK, February 6, 1896. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller :

SIR—I am in receipt of your communication under date of January 31, 1896, inclosing for my consideration and advice a certified copy of an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date January 29, 1896, taxing the compensation of David Leventritt for services rendered by him as Special Counsel to the City in the matter of acquiring title by the City to certain lands adjacent to the Washington Bridge, under the provisions of chapter 249 of the Laws of 1890, at the sum of \$20,000.

In reply to your communication I beg to say that the order taxing the compensation of Mr. Leventritt has been duly entered and that its provisions should be complied with and the compensation, as taxed, paid to Mr. Leventritt out of the proceeds of the sale of bonds as provided by chapter 249 of the Laws of 1890 and chapter 400 of the Laws of 1883.

Respectfully yours, FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation.

And offered the following :

Resolved, That, pursuant to chapter 249 of the Laws of 1890, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the issue of bonds in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to be known as "Consolidated Stock of the City of New York," as provided by section 132 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, to the amount of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000), and that the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to issue the same for such period as he may determine to be for the best interests of the City, but not less than ten nor more than fifty years, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three per cent. per annum, the proceeds of which stock shall be applied in payment of the claim of David Leventritt for services rendered by him as Special Counsel to the City in the matter of acquiring title by the City to certain lands adjacent to the Washington Bridge, pursuant to the said chapter 249 of the Laws of 1890.

Which was adopted by the following vote : Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, and Counsel to the Corporation—4.

The Comptroller presented the following report :

LAW DEPARTMENT—OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, NEW YORK, February, 1896.

In the matter of the proposed assessment for the One Hundred and Fifty-fifth Street Viaduct. To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment :

GENTLEMEN—Under date of November 6, 1895, a communication was received from the Clerk of your Honorable Board to the effect that at a meeting of the said Board, held on October 30, 1895, the documents relating to this proposed assessment were referred to the Counsel to the Corporation and to the Comptroller.

The statutes relating to this improvement are chapter 576 of the Laws of 1887, as amended by chapter 979 of the Laws of 1895.

The Laws of 1887 may be summarized as follows :

By the first section the Commissioner of Public Works was authorized to improve and regulate One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, from St. Nicholas place to Macomb's Dam Bridge, by the construction of an elevated iron roadway, viaduct or bridge, "Provided that nothing shall be done under this act until the approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment shall have been given."

By the second section, the Commissioner of Public Works was required to make the proper changes of grades and to prepare plans and specifications for the construction of the improvement, "And before the letting and doing of said work the said plans and specifications shall be approved by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of said city."

By the third section, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment might, on the requisition of the Commissioner of Public Works, raise the amount required for the work by taxation.

Then follows this clause, to wit :

"Or if the said Board of Estimate and Apportionment shall in their discretion determine that the amount so required, or a sum not exceeding one-half of said amount, shall be raised by assessment upon property deemed to be benefited by said improvement, then such amount so determined by them shall be assessed by the Board of Assessors upon the property benefited, and all provisions of law relative to the collection of assessments for local improvements shall apply to such assessments."

At a meeting of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, held on the 22d of January, 1890, the plan for the proposed viaduct was approved, and the Comptroller was authorized to issue Assessment Bonds, provided "That one-half the amount of the cost of said Viaduct shall be raised by assessment upon property deemed to be benefited by said improvement, and the other half of such cost shall be raised by assessment upon the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York."

At a meeting of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, held on the 6th of May, 1890, another resolution was adopted approving the plans, specifications and estimates of the cost of the viaduct submitted by the Commissioner of Public Works, and authorizing the Comptroller to issue Assessment Bonds to the amount of \$594,000, and reiterating the previous resolution as to the assessing of one-half the cost upon the property benefited.

On the 14th of July, 1890, a contract was made by the Commissioner of Public Works with Herbert Steward for the construction of the improvement.

Under date of April 20, 1894, the Commissioner of Public Works certified to the Board of Assessors that the work has been completed and that the total expense was \$740,130.15.

The usual interest certificate was made by the Comptroller, under date of May 21, 1894, to the effect that the amount of interest upon the several installments advanced or payments made by the City on account of the work was \$78,414.47, making the total amount to be provided for \$818,544.62.

The Board of Assessors thereupon proceeded to make up an assessment list, in which it was proposed, pursuant to the said resolution of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, to assess one-half, i. e., \$409,272.31, upon private property deemed benefited.

The proposed assessment list was transmitted to the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessment Lists on the 27th of November, 1894.

On the 8th of March, 1895, the list was returned by the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessment Lists to the Board of Assessors, and on March 12, 1895, was referred to the Counsel to the Corporation for his opinion as to various objections.

Further action was delayed for a time in view of the uncertainty as to whether the Legislature of 1895 would pass any special law relating to the subject.

By chapter 979 of the Laws of 1895, section 3 of chapter 576 of the Laws of 1887 was amended by the incorporation of the following clause :

"The said board of estimate and apportionment of the city of New York is hereby authorized and empowered in its discretion to reconsider the question as to whether or not the amount required for said improvement, or a sum not exceeding one-half the amount, shall be raised by assessment upon property deemed to be benefited by said improvement, and may make such determination as to the amount of said assessment and as to the property deemed to be benefited by said improvement as in its judgment and discretion is deemed proper notwithstanding any action of said board which may have heretofore been had fixing the amount of the assessment to be paid by property benefited or fixing the area of said benefited property. And upon such further determination of amount of assessment and as to the property deemed to be benefited by said improvement, then said amount so determined by them shall be assessed by the board of assessors upon the property benefited, and all the provisions of law relative to the collection of assessments for local improvement shall apply to such assessments."

In this state of facts the undersigned respectfully reports as follows :

It is clear that under the authority given by the act from which we have last quoted above that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment has full power to reconsider and determine what part of the cost of this improvement, not exceeding one-half, shall be raised by assessment upon property deemed benefited, and may also determine the area of assessment without reference to what has been heretofore done.

After this amount and the area of assessment shall have been determined, it will become the duty of the Board of Assessors, in accordance with the law now in force, to assess this amount within the area fixed.

There has been already much public discussion as to whether any, or, if so, how much, of the cost of this improvement should be assessed upon the property benefited.

Last year a bill was introduced into the Legislature, and came very near passing, preventing any assessment for this improvement.

Some have claimed that the Viaduct was a public improvement like the building of a bridge, which should be paid for by general taxation and no assessment whatever should be laid.

The Board of Estimate and Apportionment, as stated above, have once declared that one-half of the expense should be recovered by assessment.

It seems to us clear that private property in the neighborhood has received some special and pecuniary benefit for which it should be assessed, as has been the usual practice for many years.

In the past a large number of property-owners, particularly on the high ground to the west, have been very anxious for this improvement, and have made strong efforts to have it accomplished and were ready to promise almost anything in the way of payment of the cost if the work should only be put through.

It is difficult to determine the proportion to be assessed with entire satisfaction, but in our judgment justice will be done if one-third of the cost of this improvement is assessed upon the property deemed benefited, leaving two-thirds to be paid by the City at large.

The other question that has given rise to much discussion is the area of assessment.

As the list is made up at present, it is proposed to spread the assessment over all of Manhattan Island above One Hundred and Tenth street, except a comparatively small area east of Lenox and St. Nicholas avenues south of One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street.

We think that this area is altogether too large. It seems to us that the portion of Manhattan Island above Dyckman street cannot be said to be benefited by this improvement. This Viaduct cannot be considered a natural outlet for that section.

On the other hand, the region south—particularly from Fort George and Fort Washington Heights—has the Viaduct as one of its natural outlets, and can, we think, be considered benefited by the improvement.

Again, a large amount of the property at the southerly part of the proposed area of assessment cannot, we think, be considered benefited by the improvement. Its more natural outlet toward the north and east is the Madison avenue and Third Avenue Bridges.

We recommend that Manhattan street, from the Hudson river to One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, from Manhattan street to Seventh avenue, Seventh avenue from One Hundred and Twenty-fifth to One Hundred and Thirty-fifth streets, One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, from Seventh avenue to the East river, by the southerly boundary of the area, thus including all of Manhattan Island between Dyckman street on the northerly side and the southerly boundary.

We also think that the lots on both sides of the bounding streets or avenues should be assessed.

All of which is respectfully submitted. Very respectfully,

FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation ; ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller. In the Matter of the Proposed Assessment for the One Hundred and Fifty-fifth Street Viaduct.

Whereas, Under chapter 576 of the Laws of 1887, One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, from St. Nicholas place to Macomb's Dam Bridge, has been improved and regulated by the construction of an elevated iron roadway, viaduct or bridge, at a cost to the City of New York, including interest on the several installments advanced or payments made on account of the same, of \$818,544.62 ; and

Whereas, A proposed assessment list has been prepared for the assessing of one-half the same, pursuant to a resolution of this Board, adopted January 22, 1890 ; and

Whereas, Under chapter 979 of the Laws of 1895, this Board is authorized and empowered in its discretion to reconsider the question as to what proportion of the said amount should be assessed upon the property benefited, and what proportion upon the City of New York and what the area of assessment should be ; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That this Board does hereby determine that the amount of the said assessment to be imposed upon property benefited by the said improvement is one-third of the said \$818,544.62, to wit, \$272,848.20, and that an assessment for that amount be imposed upon the property deemed benefited ; and it is further

Resolved, That the property deemed benefited is all that part of Manhattan Island lying between the Hudson river on the west, the Harlem river on the east, Dyckman street on the north, and on the south and southeast Manhattan street, from the Hudson river to One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, from Manhattan street to Seventh avenue, Seventh avenue, from One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street to One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, from Seventh avenue to the Harlem river, and that the lots on both sides of the bounding streets and avenue be deemed within the area of assessment ; and it is further

Resolved, That the Clerk of this Board be and he hereby is directed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Board of Assessors, together with all documents before this Board in relation to the said proposed assessment.

Which were adopted by the following vote : Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, and Counsel to the Corporation—4.

The Comptroller presented the following :

AQUEDUCT COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE, STEWART BUILDING, NO. 280 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, December 27, 1895. Hon. FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation :

DEAR SIR—At a meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, held on the 24th instant, the following preamble and resolution were adopted :

"Whereas, The Aqueduct Commissioners, upon the recommendation of the Committee on Construction, duly passed a resolution on the 6th day of October, 1886, authorizing the purchase of land adjacent to Shaft 13½ of the New Aqueduct for a dumping-ground, and thereafter the said Aqueduct Commissioners did appropriate said land for that purpose, but the same has never been purchased or paid for by the City ; and

"Whereas, It is alleged that on or about October 1, 1887, said land was purchased for said purpose by the contractors, at the request of the Aqueduct Commissioners, for the sum of twelve hundred and fifty dollars, for which a claim, with interest from said date, has been filed against the City, and it appearing to our satisfaction from the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation that a valid claim for some compensation is due ; therefore

"Resolved, That (subject to the approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment) the Aqueduct Commissioners recommend a settlement of the said claim upon payment by them of the sum of twelve hundred and fifty dollars, without interest, provided the assignee of said claim will accept said amount in full settlement and procure a valid conveyance of the title of said land to the City of New York."

Very respectfully,

EDWARD L. ALLEN, Secretary.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, February 15, 1896. Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller :

SIR—The Aqueduct Commissioners, in a communication, dated December 27, 1895, to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, submit the following preamble and resolution, adopted December 24, 1895, viz. :

"Whereas, The Aqueduct Commissioners, upon the recommendation of the Committee on Construction, duly passed a resolution on the 6th day of October, 1886, authorizing the purchase of land adjacent to Shaft 13½ of the New Aqueduct for a dumping-ground, and thereafter the said Aqueduct Commissioners did appropriate said land for that purpose, but the same has never been purchased or paid for by the City ; and

"Whereas, It is alleged that on or about October 1, 1887, said land was purchased for said purpose by the contractors, at the request of the Aqueduct Commissioners, for the sum of twelve hundred and fifty dollars, for which a claim, with interest from said date, has been filed against the City, and it appearing to our satisfaction from the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation that a valid claim for some compensation is due ; therefore

"Resolved, That (subject to the approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment) the Aqueduct Commissioners recommend a settlement of the said claim upon payment by them of the sum of twelve hundred and fifty dollars, without interest, provided the assignee of said claim will

accept said amount in full settlement and procure a valid conveyance of the title of said land to the City of New York."

Inclosed with the communication is a copy of the resolution of October 6, 1886, referred to in the first preamble, which resolution authorizes the construction of Shaft 13½, and "the taking or purchasing the necessary land for said shaft and its adjacent dumping-ground."

There is also inclosed with the communication a copy of an opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation, in which the Counsel says: "Section 23 of the Aqueduct Act furnishes authority for the agreement by the Aqueduct Commissioners with any owner or person interested in any real estate used or occupied for the purposes of the Aqueduct, and upon such agreement being made the Board of Estimate are authorized to approve it."

"It seems to me that this is a proper case for the exercise of this power, which has been exercised heretofore in other places where the Aqueduct Commissioners have been obliged to temporarily occupy the land which they did not acquire in fee. The agreement might be either in the form of an agreement to purchase or an agreement to pay a proper sum for the use which has already been made of the plot of land specified leaving the title to it in its present owners."

Amongst the papers herewith is a deed to the property in question, dated October 1, 1887, in favor of John O'Brien and Heman Clark, in which the consideration named is twelve hundred and fifty dollars.

Also a deed from Heman Clark and wife and John O'Brien to the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, dated November 1, 1889, in which the same property is described and the same consideration, twelve hundred and fifty dollars, named.

The facts attending this matter are very clearly and exactly stated in the preambles to the resolution, clearly showing the claim to be just. I think the manner of adjusting it, recommended in the resolution, by the payment of \$1,250, without interest, a valid conveyance of the title to the land being given, may with propriety meet the approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

Respectfully,
EUG. E. MCLEAN, Engineer.

And offered the following:

Whereas, The Aqueduct Commissioners, on December 24, 1895, adopted the following preambles and resolution:

"Whereas, The Aqueduct Commissioners, upon the recommendation of the Committee on Construction, duly passed a resolution on the 6th day of October, 1886, authorizing the purchase of land adjacent to Shaft 13½ of the New Aqueduct for a dumping-ground, and thereafter the said Aqueduct Commissioners did appropriate said land for that purpose, but the same has never been purchased or paid for by the City; and

"Whereas, It is alleged that on or about October 1, 1887, said land was purchased for said purpose by the contractors, at the request of the Aqueduct Commissioners, for the sum of twelve hundred and fifty dollars, for which a claim, with interest from said date, has been filed against the City, and it appearing to our satisfaction from the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation that a valid claim for some compensation is due; therefore

"Resolved, That (subject to the approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment) the Aqueduct Commissioners recommend a settlement of the said claim upon payment by them of the sum of twelve hundred and fifty dollars, without interest, provided the assignee of said claim will accept said amount in full settlement and procure a valid conveyance of the title of said land to the City of New York."

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approve of and concur in the aforesaid action of the Aqueduct Commissioners.

Which were adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, and Counsel to the Corporation—4.

The Comptroller presented the following:

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF JURORS, STEWART BUILDING, ROOM 127, NEW YORK, December 23, 1895. To the Honorable Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—I have to inform you that the appropriation for the year 1895 is not sufficient to pay outstanding claims for the reason that bills were contracted in 1894, amounting to \$1,005.52 in excess of the appropriation for that year. Part of this deficiency (\$374.99) was paid February 28, 1895, out of the appropriation of 1895, leaving a balance of \$630.53 for stationery, stamps, etc., furnished from March 10, 1894, to August 9, 1894, unpaid.

I would therefore ask that some provision be made to liquidate the above debt.

Very respectfully, WM. PLIMLEY, Commissioner of Jurors.

And offered the following:

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment included in the Final Estimate for the year 1896 an appropriation entitled as follows:

The Judiciary: The Commissioner of Jurors' Office—For Contingent Expenses, including Clerk hire and all other incidental expenses (chapter 426, Laws of 1883), including six hundred and thirty dollars and fifty-three cents for deficiency of 1895)..... \$29,730 53

and—

Whereas, It appears from the communication of the Commissioner of Jurors, addressed to this Board and dated December 23, 1895, that the liability of six hundred and thirty dollars and fifty-three cents thus above provided for was in fact incurred during the year 1894;

Resolved, That the sub-title of the aforesaid appropriation be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

For Contingent Expenses, including Clerk hire and all other incidental expenses (chapter 426, Laws of 1883), including six hundred and thirty dollars and fifty-three cents for deficiency of 1894)..... \$29,730 53

Which were adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, and Counsel to the Corporation—4.

The Comptroller presented the following:

BOWERS & SANDS, COUNSELLORS-AT-LAW, NOS. 52 AND 54 WILLIAM STREET, NEW YORK, January 31, 1896. Hon. ASHIEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

DEAR SIR—The National Guard of Pennsylvania, First Brigade, took part in the Columbian Celebration under an agreement that certain expenses to be incurred by them should be paid by the City authorities.

The bill was sent in to the Committee of One Hundred, of the Columbian Celebration, but was apparently lost. Some time afterward efforts were made to have the Auditing Committee of Three audit the bill, but as a considerable period of time had elapsed, they refused to audit it. We then, on behalf of the National Guard of Pennsylvania, First Brigade, applied to the courts for a mandamus to compel the audit of the claim. Each of the Auditing Committee was served and notice of the application given to the Counsel to the Corporation, who appeared. Judge Lawrence on the papers granted a peremptory writ of mandamus directing the Auditing Committee to audit the claim. A hearing was had before the Auditing Committee and the claim was proved, and we serve you herewith with the bill audited, together with the peremptory writ of mandamus directing the Auditing Committee to audit the claim.

Kindly bring this matter before the Board of Estimate and Apportionment at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,
BOWERS & SANDS.

Referred to the Counsel to the Corporation.

The Comptroller presented the following:

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS OF THE PEACE, CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, CLERK'S OFFICE. To the Honorable the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—I beg respectfully to direct your attention to the fact that by reason of unavoidable delay on the part of the Legislature of the State in re-enacting chapter 1004 of the Laws of 1895, providing for an additional part of this Court (the provisions of which Act have been inadvertently nullified by a conflict between the Code of Criminal Procedure and the Consolidation Act), the business of the Court—four parts of which are now in session daily—is seriously retarded and the administration of justice in this county to a great extent obstructed. The present clerical force is altogether insufficient for the transaction of ordinary business and serious difficulty must ensue unless immediate relief is granted.

I beg to remind your Honorable Body that in a similar but not so serious a crisis last summer you directed, in compliance with my urgent request, approved by all the Judges of the Court, a transfer of unexpended funds from the appropriation for Salaries to that for Contingent Expenses, authorizing me to expend the sum thus transferred in the employment of Temporary Clerical Help. This action averted the difficulty with which the Court at that time was threatened without additional expense to the County.

The Legislature has assured the Judges of the Court that the Act introduced for the purpose of enabling them to carry out the provisions of chapter 1004, Laws of 1895, will be passed without delay. Meantime, as I have already stated, the work of the Court is very seriously retarded and much inconvenience to the public is thereby caused.

The business of the Clerk's Office—a most important branch of the administration of justice—has been almost brought to a standstill and must remain so unless relief is afforded.

In this emergency I beg respectfully to remind your Honorable Body that the sum of \$3,174.98 remains unexpended from the January, 1896, Pay-roll (one-twelfth of the annual appropriation for Salaries), and that there is due for labor actually performed during the same month the amount of \$555.33, representing the salaries of the Stenographer for Part IV. (the new part) of the Court, the Stenographer and Typewriter of the Clerk's Office and the Temporary Clerk appointed last year under your permission.

I trust your Honorable Body will relieve the Court of its present difficulties by ordering the transfer of \$1,116.66 from the unexpended appropriation for salaries for January, 1896, to the

appropriation for Contingent Expenses, including rent of telephone for this Court, for the year 1896, and that permission be granted the Clerk to expend the same in payment for the months of January and February of the services to which I have referred, there being no fund, as I am informed by the Comptroller, from which such can legally be paid.

This application meets the approval of the Judges of the Court.

Respectfully yours, JOHN F. CARROLL, Clerk of Court.

Referred to the Comptroller.

The Comptroller offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of six thousand two hundred dollars (\$6,200), be and the same is hereby transferred from the appropriation included in the Final Estimate for 1896 entitled "Judgments," the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation for 1896, entitled "Contingencies—District Attorney's Office—Arrearages," the amount thereof being insufficient, in order to pay the bills of Allen Fitch, M. D., and Austin Flint, M. D., for professional services rendered in the case of The People vs. Hannigan, etc.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, and Counsel to the Corporation—4.

The Comptroller presented the following:

HEALTH DEPARTMENT, CENTRE, ELM, WHITE AND FRANKLIN STREETS, NEW YORK, February 29, 1896. Hon. ASHIEL P. FITCH, Comptroller, New York City:

SIR—At a meeting of the Board of Health of the Health Department, held February 18, 1896, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That, on account of the prevalence of diphtheria and measles, and for the preservation of the health of the community, it is necessary to continue in the service of this Board the ten Medical Inspectors now temporarily employed, and that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and is hereby respectfully requested to appropriate, pursuant to chapter 535, Laws of 1893, the sum of two thousand dollars to pay the salaries of said Medical Inspectors for two months from March 1, 1896, at one hundred dollars per month.

A true copy.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 535 of the Laws of 1893, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby appropriates the sum of two thousand dollars for the purpose of defraying the necessary expenses required to be incurred by the Board of Health for the preservation of the health of the community, specified in its resolution relating thereto adopted February 18, 1896.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, and Counsel to the Corporation—4.

The Counsel to the Corporation offered the following:

Resolved, That the appropriation included in the Final Estimate for 1896, entitled "Salaries—Judiciary (the Supreme Court)—three Stenographers for Appellate Division, at two thousand five hundred dollars each," seven thousand five hundred dollars, be and the same is hereby amended so that the sub-title thereof shall read as follows: "Stenographers and Typewriters for Appellate Division, seven thousand five hundred dollars."

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, and Counsel to the Corporation—4.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

Report for the Quarter ending December 31, 1895.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS, NEW YORK, February 15, 1896.

Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Mayor of the City of New York:

DEAR SIR—In compliance with the provisions of section 49, chapter 410, Laws of 1882, and chapter 275, Laws of 1892, I have the honor herewith to submit my report of the operations of this Department for the three months ending December 31, 1895.

Respectfully, STEVENSON CONSTABLE, Superintendent of Buildings.

CLASSIFICATION.	NUMBER OF PLANS.	NUMBER OF BUILDINGS.	NEW BUILDINGS.		
			ESTIMATED COST.	COMMENCED.	COMPLETED.
Dwelling-houses, estimated cost over \$50,000.....	2	2	\$140,000 00	21	47
Dwelling-houses, estimated cost between \$20,000 and \$50,000.....	6	19	430,000 00	44	83
Dwelling-houses, estimated cost less than \$20,000.....	17	59	567,500 00	59	58
Flats, estimated cost over \$15,000.....	74	156	4,172,000 00	73	129
Tenement-houses, estimated cost less than \$15,000.....	12	18	214,500 00	16	95
Hotels and boarding-houses.....	3	3	327,000 00	14	21
Stores, estimated cost over \$30,000.....	11	11	1,020,000 00	14	21
Stores, estimated cost between \$15,000 and \$30,000.....	6	6	121,000 00	9	17
Stores, estimated cost less than \$15,000.....	11	14	58,450 00	54	31
Office buildings.....	11	11	4,528,100 00	302	484
Manufactories and workshops.....	21	23	679,896 00		
School-houses.....	2	2	90,000 00		
Churches.....	2	2	42,000 00		
Public buildings, municipal, Public buildings, places of amusement, etc.....	1	2	16,000 00		
Stables.....	7	8	1,080,000 00		
Frame dwellings in 23d and 24th Wards.....	154	248	771,500 00		
Other frame structures.....	99	109	128,310 00		
Totals	455	711	\$14,529,106 00		

Plans and Specifications for Alterations to Buildings Filed and Acted upon during October, November and December, 1895.

CLASSIFICATION.	NUMBER TESTED, ETC.	NUMBER TESTED, ETC.	
		BEAMS.	COLUMNS.
Girders.....		39,096	9,006
Lintels.....		745	1,312
Mullions.....		434	481
Bases.....		122	
Channels.....		16	
Base-plates.....		64	
Trusses.....		4	
Top-plates.....		26	
Skew-backs.....</			

Violations of Law and Unsafe Buildings during October, November and December, 1895.

NATURE.

NATURE.	Pending Sept. 30, 1895.	Received Since.	Total for Disposition.	Removed before Action by Courts.	Removed on Order of Comrs.	Discontinued.	Total Final Disposition.	Pending Dec. 31, 1895.	Forwarded for Prosecution.
Defective construction, materials, etc.	993	1,334	2,327	704	..	22	726	1,601	561
Erecting, altering or removing without permit, or after disapproval.	586	486	1,072	388	..	6	394	678	405
Insufficient means of escape, fire-escapes, aisles obstructed, etc.	603	676	1,279	536	..	60	596	683	316
Defective light and ventilation.	103	69	177	24	..	..	24	153	62
Defective plumbing and drainage.	392	247	639	181	..	1	182	457	288
Unsafe buildings.	971	899	1,870	615	45	17	677	1,193	84
Totals.	3,653	3,711	7,354	2,448	45	106	2,599	4,765	1,676

Notices Issued during October, November and December, 1895.

To place fire-escapes on buildings.	927	To remove unsafe buildings	1,891
To remove violations of law.	2,521		
To repair passenger elevators.	162	Total.	5,501

Complaints Received and Investigated during October, November and December, 1895.

NATURE.	Pending Sept. 30, 1895.	Received Since.	Total.	Unfinished.	Remanded on Verbal Notice.	Notices to be Issued.	Total.	Pending Dec. 31, 1895.
Defective flues.	1	21	22	12	2	6	20	12
Defective construction and materials.	4	34	34	14	1	19	33	1
Defective leaders.	4	297	301	113	1	175	289	12
Electric current which cannot be cut off from outside of building.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Erecting and altering without permit.	4	36	40	20	..	20	40	..
Frame structures erected and removed without permit.	..	45	45	20	..	25	45	..
Front iron shutters which cannot be opened from the outside.	..	1	1	..	..	1	1	..
Hoistway openings not guarded.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Insufficient means of escape, fire-escapes out of repair, etc.	20	154	174	39	3	120	162	12
No iron shutters.	..	3	3	..	..	3	3	..
Stairway openings floored over.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Steam pipes too near woodwork.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Unsafe buildings.	56	808	864	623	2	187	812	52
Unsafe passenger elevators.	..	1	1	1	..	..	1	..
Unsafe freight elevators.	..	2	2	1	1	1	2	..
Weight that floors will sustain not posted.	..	35	36	3	1	30	34	..
Woodwork too near flues.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals.	86	1,439	1,525	846	9	589	1,444	81

Inspection of Passenger Elevators during October, November and December, 1895—Number inspected, 1,425; found to be in good order and fit for use, 1,261; found not in compliance with the law, 164. Total number passenger elevators in the city, 1,656.

Disposition of Cases Found not in Compliance with Law.

NATURE.	Pending Sept. 30, 1895.	Received Since.	Total.	Law com- plied with.	Pending Dec. 31, 1895.	Forwarded for Prosecution.
Defective cylinders.	..	..	..	6	..	..
Defective guide rails, posts and gibs.	..	..	..	..	..	..
Defective running gear.	..	..	..	..	..	..
Doors and door locks out of repair.	..	7	7	5	5	..
Fronts of cars unprotected.	..	23	30	21	9	3
Generally unsafe.	..	3	3	1	2	..
New ropes required.	8	46	54	38	16	10
Run by persons under 18 years of age and incompetent persons.	..	..	..	..	..	..
Safety attachments out of order.	5	6	11	3	8	..
No grating overhead machinery.	..	59	59	..	59	1
Totals.	20	163	183	75	108	15

Report of Attorney to the Department of Buildings for the Quarter ending December 31, 1895.

Suits commenced.

45 Notice of suits.

584 Opinions, etc., rendered.

Numerous.

Money Received.

On hand date of last report.

\$3,687 29 1895. October 1..... \$3,687 29

Received.

4,705 87 November 1..... 1,104 61

This amount was paid over to the Comptroller by the Superintendent of Buildings as required by law, as follows:

December 1..... 1,546 83

\$6,338 73

Balance on hand December 31, 1895

\$2,054 43

Report of Attorney to the Department of Buildings, October 1 to December 31, 1895.

New York Supreme Court. The People ex rel. John B. Conley vs. Stevenson Constable, as Superintendent of Buildings. Application for writ of certiorari; pending October 1, 1895; application denied.

NATURE OF VIOLATION.	FOR DISPOSITION.			DISPOSED OF.			Cases Pending December 31, 1895.
	Number of Cases Pending September 30, 1895.	Received Since last Report.	Total.	Violations Removed before Trial.	Violations Removed after Judgment.	Dismissed by Court.	
Fire-escape cases.	346	336	682	216	12	13	283
Unsafe cases.	66	84	150	..	5	60	85
Light and ventilation.	97	62	159	15	..	1	143
Plumbing and drainage.	303	218	531	120	2	3	493
Defective elevators.	7	15	22	10	..	..	12
Defective construction, materials, etc.	530	561	1,091	325	4	3	348
Erecting, altering or removing without permit.	448	405	853	268	10	7	293
Total.	1,797	1,691	3,468	985	32	62	743

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, NEW YORK, December 11, 1895.

The Board of Commissioners met this day.

Present—President O. H. LaGrange and Commissioner Austin E. Ford.

OPENING OF PROPOSALS.

For 3,000 feet 3-inch Maltese Cross Hose.

No. 1. The Gutta Percha and Rubber Manufacturing Company..... \$4,800 00

—with security deposit, \$120, certified check.

For 3,000 feet 1 1/2-inch Maltese Cross Hose.

No. 1. The Gutta Percha and Rubber Manufacturing Company..... 1,650 00

—with security deposit, \$45, certified check.

For 3,000 feet 2 1/2-inch Willis Single Knit Hose.

No. 1. George S. Willis..... 1,650 00

—with security deposit, \$45, currency.

All of which were referred to the Comptroller.

Ordered, That the security deposits be forwarded to the Comptroller.

Commissioner Sheffield appeared and took part in the proceedings.

CONSULTATION WITH HEADS OF BUREAUS.

Present—Chief of Department, Inspector of Combustibles, Fire Marshal, Superintendent of Telegraph, Attorney, Foreman in charge of Repair Shops, Superintendent of Stables, Building Superintendent.

TRIALS.

The President stated that, on request of counsel, the trial of Foreman Kane, of Engine 11, was adjourned for two weeks.

Fireman 3d grade John H. Maguire, Hook and Ladder 15, for "absence without leave." Fireman 3d grade Charles R. Griffiths, Engine 33, for "absence without leave." Fireman 2d grade Edward S. Sweeny, Hook and Ladder 10, for "absence without leave." Fireman 2d grade James Fitzpatrick, Engine 27, for "neglect of duty." Fireman 3d grade James Buckhout, Jr., Hook and Ladder 20, for "absence without leave." Fireman 1st grade Edwin J. Tyler, Hook and Ladder 20, for "absence without leave." Fireman 1st grade William H. Weiss, Engine 1, for "absence without leave" (2 charges). Fireman 1st grade Philip P. Kiernan, Engine 53, for "neglect of duty."

REQUISITIONS.

Expenditures Authorized.

Calking, \$75; tinsmith work, \$155; carpenter work, \$333; canal coal, \$337.50; furnace repairs, \$138; roofing, \$37; masonry, \$80; lamp fixtures, etc., \$30; white oak felloes, \$78; warner wheels, \$140; leather, \$261.50; spokes, \$199.65; sundry repairs to buildings, \$300; hardware trimmings, steam fittings, etc., \$150; repairs, etc., to lamp-post signs, \$150.

COMM

Pursuant to statutory requirement, notice is hereby given that an act has been passed by both branches of the Legislature, entitled and worded as follows:

AN ACT to amend chapter 189 of the Laws of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the sanitary protection of the sources of the water supply of the City of New York," as amended by chapter 515 of the Laws of 1893, relative to the disbursements and reports of commissioners.

Further notice is hereby given that a public hearing upon such bill will be held at the office of the Mayor, in the City Hall, in the City of New York, on Monday, March 2, 1896, at 3 P. M.

Dated CITY HALL, February 26, 1896.

Pursuant to statutory requirement, notice is hereby given that an act has been passed by both branches of the Legislature, entitled and worded as follows:

AN ACT to amend section 93 of the Code of Civil Procedure, relating to the custody, charge and control of the seals, books, files, records, papers and documents of the Superior Court of the City of New York and the Court of Common Pleas for the City and County of New York, the Superior Court of Buffalo, and the City Court of Brooklyn.

Further notice is hereby given that a public hearing upon such bill will be held at the office of the Mayor, in the City Hall, in the City of New York, on Monday, March 2, 1896, at 3:30 P. M.

Dated CITY HALL, February 26, 1896.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

STATEMENT OF THE HOURS DURING WHICH the Public Offices in the City are open for business, and at which the Courts regularly open and adjourn, as well as of the places where such offices are kept and such Courts are held; together with the heads of Departments and Courts:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Mayor's Office.

No. 6 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

WILLIAM L. STRONG, Mayor. JOSEPH E. HEDGES, Secretary and Chief Clerk.

Mayor's Marshal's Office.

No. 1 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

EDWARD H. HEALY, First Marshal.

JOHN J. BRENNAN, Second Marshal.

COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS.

Rooms 114 and 115, Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. SETH SPRAGUE TERRY and RODNEY S. DENNIS.

AQUeduct COMMISSIONERS.

Room 209, Stewart Building, 5th floor, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; JAMES C. DUANE, President; JOHN J. TUCKER; H. W. CANNON, GEORGE WALTON GREEN, and THE MAYOR, COMPTROLLER and COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS, *ex officio*, Commissioners; EDWARD L. ALLEN, Secretary; A. FELEY, Chief Engineer.

BOARD OF ARMORY COMMISSIONERS.

THE MAYOR, Chairman; PRESIDENT OF DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, Secretary.

Address EDWARD P. BARKER, Stewart Building. Office hours, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Office of Clerk of Common Council.

No. 8 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

JOHN JEROLOMAN, President Board of Aldermen.

WILLIAM H. TEYCK, Clerk Common Council.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner; ADELBERT STEELE, Deputy Commissioner (Room A).

WILSON VANCE, Chief Clerk (Room 7).

GEORGE W. BIRDSALL, Chief Engineer (Room 9); COLUMBUS O. JOHNSON, Water Register (Rooms 2, 3 and 4); HORACE LOOMIS, Engineer in Charge of Sewers (Room 9); JOHN C. GRAHAM, Superintendent of Repairs and Supplies (Room 15); EDWARD P. NORTH, Water Purveyor (Room 1); STEPHEN MCGOWAN, Superintendent of Lamps and Gas (Room 11); JOHN SIMPSON, Superintendent of Streets and Roads (Room 12); WILLIAM HENKEL, Superintendent of Incumbrances (Room 16); STEVENSON TOWLE, Consulting Engineer and in charge of Street Improvements (Room 5).

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

No. 220 Fourth avenue, corner of Eighteenth street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

STEVENSON CONSTABLE, Superintendent.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH WARDS.

No. 262 Third avenue, northeast corner of One Hundred and Forty-first street. Office hours, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 12 M.

LOUIS F. HAFFNER, Commissioner; JACOB SEABOLD, Deputy Commissioner; JOSEPH P. HENNESSY, Secretary.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

Comptroller's Office.

No. 15 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

ASHBEL F. FITCH, Comptroller; RICHARD A. STORRS, Deputy Comptroller; EDGAR J. LEVEY, Assistant Deputy Comptroller.

Auditing Bureau.

Nos. 19, 21 and 23 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

WILLIAM J. LYON, First Auditor.

JOHN F. GOULDSBURY, Second Auditor.

Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents.

Nos. 31, 33, 35, 37 and 39 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

EDWARD GILON, Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears.

No money received after 2 P. M.

Bureau for the Collection of City Revenue and of Markets.

Nos. 1 and 3 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

DAVID O'BRIEN, Collector of the City Revenue and Superintendent of Markets.

No money received after 2 P. M.

Bureau for the Collection of Taxes.

Nos. 57 Chambers street and No. 35 Reade street, Stewart Building 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

DAVID E. ASTEN, Receiver of Taxes; JOHN J. McDONOUGH, Deputy Receiver of Taxes.

No money received after 2 P. M.

Bureau of the City Chamberlain.

Nos. 25 and 27 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

ANSON G. McCOOK, City Chamberlain.

Office of the City Paymaster.

No. 33 Reade street, Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

JOHN H. TIMMERMAN, City Paymaster.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Office of the Counsel to the Corporation.

Staats Zeitung Building, third and fourth floors, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation.

ANDREW T. CAMPBELL, Chief Clerk.

Office of the Corporation Attorney.

No. 110 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

GEORGE W. LYON, Corporation Attorney.

Office of Attorney for Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes.

Stewart Building, Broadway and Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

ROBERT GRIER MONROE, Attorney.

MICHAEL J. DOUGHERTY, Clerk.

Bureau of Street Openings.

Emigrant Industrial Savings Bank Building, Nos. 49 and 51 Chambers street.

JOHN P. DUNN and HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Assistants to the Counsel to the Corporation.

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR.

No. 110 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

WILLIAM M. HOES, Public Administrator.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Central Office.

No. 300 Mulberry street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT, President; AVERY D. ANDREWS, FREDERICK D. GRANT and ANDREW D. PARKER, Commissioners; WILLIAM H. KIPP, Chief Clerk; T. F. RODENBOUGH, Chief of Bureau of Elections.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

No. 146 Grand street, corner of Elm street.

ROBERT MACLAY, President; ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF CHARITIES.

Central Office.

No. 66 Third avenue, corner Eleventh street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

SILAS C. CROFT, President; JOHN P. FAURE and JAMES R. O'BIRNE, Commissioners; GEORGE F. BRITTON, Secretary.

Purchasing Agent, GEO. W. WANAKER. Office hours, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 12 M.

Plans and Specifications, Contracts, Proposals and Estimates for Work and Materials for Building, Repairs and Supplies, Bills and Accounts, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 12 M.

Out-Door Poor Department. Office hours, 8:30 A. M. to 4:30 P. M. WILLIAM BLAKE, Superintendent. Entrance on Eleventh street.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION.

Central Office.

No. 66 Third avenue, corner Eleventh street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

ROBERT J. WRIGHT, Commissioner; ARTHUR PHILIPS, Secretary; CHARLES BENN, General Bookkeeper and Auditor; CHARLES STEINBERG, Purchasing Agent.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Office hours for all, except where otherwise noted, from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 12 M.

Headquarters.

Nos. 157 and 159 East Sixty-seventh street.

O. H. LA GRANGE, President; JAMES R. SHEFFIELD and AUSTIN E. FORD, Commissioners; CARL JUSSIN, Secretary.

HUGH BONNER, Chief of Department; GEO. E. MURRAY, Inspector of Combustibles; MARTIN L. HOLISTER, Fire Marshal; WM. L. FINDLEY, Attorney to Department; J. ELLIOT SMITH, Superintendent of Fire Alarm Telegraph.

Central Office open at all hours.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

New Criminal Court Building, Centre street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

CHARLES G. WILSON, President, and GEORGE B. FOWLER, M. D., the President of the Police Board, *ex officio*, and the Health Officer of the Port, *ex officio*, Commissioners; EMMONS CLARK, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

Arsenal Building, Central Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 12 M.

S. V. R. CRUGER, President; SMITH ELY, WILLIAM A. STILES and SAMUEL M. MILLIAN, Commissioners; WILLIAM LEARY, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

Battery, Pier A, North river.

EDWARD C. O'BRIEN, President; EDWIN EINSTEIN and JOHN MONKS, Commissioners; GEORGE S. TERRY, Secretary.

Office hours, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 12 M.

EDWARD P. BARKER, President; JAMES L. WELLS and THEO. SUTRO, Commissioners; C. ROCKLAND TYNG, Secretary.

BOARD OF ELECTRICAL CONTROL.

No. 126 Broadway.

HENRY S. KEARNY, JACOB HESS, and THOMAS L. HAMILTON, and the Mayor, *ex officio*, Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING.

No. 32 Chambers street. Office hours, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

GEORGE E. WARING, Jr., Commissioner; F. H. GIBSON, Deputy Commissioner; THOS. A. DOE, Chief Clerk.

CIVIL SERVICE SUPERVISORY AND EXAMINING BOARDS.

Criminal Court Building, Centre street, between Franklin and White streets, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

EVERETT P. WHEELER, EDWIN L. GODKIN, E. RANDOLPH ROBINSON, C. W. WATSON and J. VAN VECHTEN OLcott, Members of the Supervisory Board.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT.

The Mayor, Chairman; E. P. BARKER (President), Department of Taxes and Assessments, Secretary; the COMPTROLLER, President of the Board of Aldermen, and the COUNSEL to the CORPORATION, Members; CHARLES V. ADEE, Clerk.

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

BOARD OF ASSESSORS.

Office, 27 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

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neglect or refusal, but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

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

The quality of the merchandise must conform in every respect to the printed specifications. Bidders are cautioned to examine the specifications for particulars of the articles, etc., required, before making their estimates.

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

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

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

The form of the contract, including specifications, showing the manner of payment, will be furnished at the office of the Department, and bidders are cautioned to examine each and all of its provisions carefully, as the Commissioner of the Department of Correction will insist upon its absolute enforcement in every particular.

ROBERT J. WRIGHT, Commissioner.

STREET CLEANING DEPT.

PERSONS HAVING BULKHEADS TO FILL, IN THE VICINITY OF NEW YORK BAY, CAN PROCEDE MATERIAL FOR THAT PURPOSE—ASHES, STREET SWEEPINGS, ETC., SUCH AS IS COLLECTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING—FREE OF CHARGE, BY APPLYING TO THE COMMISSIONER OF STREET CLEANING, IN THE CRIMINAL COURT BUILDING.

GEORGE E. WARING, JR.,
Commissioner of Street Cleaning.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, NO. 146 GRAND STREET, NEW YORK CITY.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AT THE OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS, UNTIL FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 1896, AT 4 P.M., FOR SUPPLYING THE COAL AND WOOD REQUIRED FOR THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THE CITY FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 1, 1897, SAY TWENTY-THREE THOUSAND (23,000) TONS OF COAL, MORE OR LESS, AND TWENTY (20) CORDS OF OAK AND EIGHT HUNDRED (800) CORDS OF PINE WOOD, MORE OR LESS. THE COAL MUST BE OF THE BEST QUALITY OF WHITE ASH—FURNACE, EGG, STOVE AND NUT SIZES—CLEAN AND IN GOOD ORDER, TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED AND FORTY (2,240) POUNDS TO THE TON, AND MUST BE DELIVERED IN THE BINS OF THE SEVERAL SCHOOL BUILDINGS AT SUCH TIMES AND IN SUCH QUANTITIES AS REQUIRED BY THE COMMITTEE ON SUPPLIES.

The proposals must state the mines from which it is proposed to supply the coal to be furnished from the mines named, if accepted, and must state the price per ton of two thousand two hundred and forty (2,240) pounds.

The quantity of the various sizes of coal required will be about as follows, viz.:

Nineteen thousand (19,000) tons of furnace size.

Twenty-eight hundred (2,800) tons of egg size.

Eight hundred (800) tons of nut size.

And four hundred (400) tons of nut size.

The oak wood must be of the best quality: the pine wood must be of the best quality Virginia, first growth, and sound. The proposals must state the price per cord of one hundred and twenty-eight (128) cubic feet, solid measure, for both oak and pine wood. The wood, both oak and pine, must be delivered sawed and split, and must be piled in the yards, cellars, vaults or bins of the school building as may be designated by the proper authorities, and measures for payment are to be made by the Inspector of Fuel of the Board of Education of the said wood so piled in the school buildings.

Proposals must state the price per cord for—

Oak wood, 16-inch lengths.

Oak wood, 12-inch lengths, split to stove size.

Oak wood, 12-inch lengths.

Oak wood, 12-inch lengths, split to stove size.

Pine wood, 17-inch lengths, split for kindling.

Pine wood, 13-inch lengths, stove size.

Pine wood, 13-inch lengths, split for kindling.

Pine wood, 6-inch lengths, split for kindling.

Said coal and wood will be inspected, and said coal weighed, under the supervision of the Inspector of Fuel of the Board of Education.

The contractor will be required to present with every bill for deliveries a bill of lading with each boatload as partial evidence of the kind and quality of the coal claimed to have been delivered, and with all bills to present his affidavit stating the quantity and quality of coal delivered, where the same was weighed, and certifying the correctness of his claim.

The coal and wood must be delivered at the schools as follows: Two-thirds of the quantity of each between the fifteenth of May and the fifteenth of October, and the remainder as required by the Committee on Supplies; the contracts for supplying said coal and wood to be binding until the first day of May, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

Two stipulated sureties, or bond by one of the Guarantee Companies, for the faithful performance of the contract, will be required, and each proposal must be accompanied by the signatures and residences of the proposer's sureties. No compensation above the contract price will be allowed for delivering said coal and wood at any of the schools, nor for putting or piling the same in the yards, cellars, vaults or bins of said school buildings.

Proposals must be directed to the Committee on Supplies of the Board of Education, and should be indorsed "Proposals for Coal," or "Proposals for Wood," as the case may be.

The Committee reserves to itself the right to impose such conditions and penalties in the contract as it may deem proper and to reject any or all proposals received when deemed best for the public interest.

Any further information can be obtained from the Clerk of the Board of Education.

EDWARD H. PEASLEE, A. P. MONTANT, JACOB W. MACK, HUGH KELLY, WALTER E. ANDREWS, Committee on Supplies.

NEW YORK, February 29, 1896.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES FOR THE TWELFTH WARD, AT THE HALL OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, NO. 146 GRAND STREET, UNTIL 4 O'CLOCK P.M., ON TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 1896, FOR ERECTING ANNEXES TO AND IMPROVING THE PREMISES AND BUILDING OF GRAMMAR SCHOOL NO. 37.

ROBERT E. STEEL, Chairman, ANTONIO RASINES, Secretary, Board of School Trustees, Twelfth Ward.

DATED NEW YORK, February 19, 1896.

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

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

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

Two responsible and approved sureties, residents of this city, are required in all cases.

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

The party submitting a proposal must include in his proposal the names of all sub-contractors, and no change will be permitted to be made in the sub-contractors named without the consent of the School Trustees and Superintendent of School Buildings.

It is required as a condition precedent to the reception or consideration of any proposals, that a certified check upon, or a certificate of deposit of, one of the State or

National banks or Trust Companies of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the President of this Board, shall accompany the proposal to an amount of not less than three per cent, of such proposal, when said proposal is for or exceeds ten thousand dollars, and to an amount not less than five per cent, of such proposal when said proposal is for an amount under ten thousand dollars; that on demand, within one day after the awarding of the contract by the proper Board of Trustees, the President of the Board will return all the deposits of checks and certificates of deposit made, to the persons making the same, except that made by the person or persons whose bid has been so accepted; and that if the person or persons whose bid has been so accepted shall refuse or neglect, within five days after due notice has been given that the contract is ready for execution, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit or of the check or certificate of deposit made by him or them shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of the deposit will be returned to him.

THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS RECEIVED FOR ANY PARTICULAR WORK IF HE DEEMS IT FOR THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CITY.

Blank forms of bid or estimate, the proper envelopes in which to inclose the same, the specifications and agreements, and any further information desired, can be obtained at Rooms Nos. 1 and 10, No. 31 Chambers street.

CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, NO. 31 CHAMBERS STREET, NEW YORK, FEBRUARY 27, 1896.

NOTICE OF SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION.

ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 1896, THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION, ON THE PREMISES, BY L. J. PHILLIPS, AUCTIONEER, UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE WATER PURVEYOR, A ONE-STORY FRAME BUILDING AND SHED, STANDING WITHIN THE LINES OF ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTIETH STREET, BETWEEN AMSTERDAM AND AUDUBON AVENUES.

TERMS OF SALE:

CASH PAYMENT IN BANKABLE FUNDS AT THE TIME AND PLACE OF SALE, AND THE ENTIRE REMOVAL OF THE BUILDING AND SHED FROM THE STREET BY THE PURCHASER WITHIN TWENTY DAYS AFTER THE SALE. IF THE PURCHASER FAILS TO EFFECT THE REMOVAL WITHIN THAT TIME HE SHALL FORFEIT THE PURCHASE-MONEY AND THE OWNERSHIP OF THE BUILDING AND SHED OR ANY PART THEREOF.

CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, FEBRUARY 27, 1896.

NOTICE OF SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION.

ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 1896, AT 11 O'CLOCK A.M., THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, BY LOUIS LEVY, ESQ., AUCTIONEER, AT THE OFFICE OF THE BUREAU OF REPAIRS AND SUPPLIES, ROOM 15, NO. 31 CHAMBERS STREET.

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CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner of Public Works.

DATED FEBRUARY 25, 1896.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, FEBRUARY 26, 1896.

NOTICE OF SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION.

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A. H. STEELE, Deputy Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, FEBRUARY 25, 1896.

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ful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of the deposit will be returned to him.

THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS RECEIVED FOR ANY PARTICULAR WORK IF HE DEEMS IT FOR THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CITY.

List 5146, No. 4. Paving Peck Slip and Ferry street, from Pearl to South street, with granite blocks and laying crosswalks (so far as the same is within the limits of grants of land under water).

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

No. 1. Both sides of One Hundred and Sixty-second street, from Port Morris Branch Railroad to Courtlandt avenue, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 2. Both sides of Old Slip, from Pearl to South street, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 3. Both sides of Depeyster street, from Water to South street and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 4. Both sides of Peck Slip and Ferry street, from Pearl to South street, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections, in writing, to the Chairman of the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 27 Chambers street, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

The above-described lists will be transmitted, as provided by law, to the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments for confirmation on the 30th day of March, 1896.

THOMAS J. RUSH, Chairman; WILLIAM H. BELLAMY, JOHN W. JACOBUS, EDWARD McCUE, Board of Assessors.

NEW YORK, February 27, 1896.

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

List 5099, No. 1. Sewers and appurtenances in One Hundred and Thirty-ninth, One Hundred and Fortieth and One Hundred and Forty-first streets, between the existing sewer in Walnut avenue and Locust avenue.

List 5108, No. 2. Regulating, grading, setting curbstones and flagging Southern Boulevard, from Home street to Freeman street.

List 5134, No. 3. Sewer in Fourth avenue, between Twelfth and Thirteenth streets, with alteration and improvement to curve in Twelfth street.

List 5138, No. 4. Sewer and appurtenances in One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street, from Brook avenue to summit west of Brown place.

List 5150, No. 5. Sewer and appurtenances in One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street, from Brook avenue to summit west of Brown place.

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

No. 1. Both sides of One Hundred and Thirty-ninth, One Hundred and Fortieth and One Hundred and Forty-first streets, from Walnut to Locust avenue, and east side of Walnut avenue and west side of Locust avenue, extending about 100 feet south of One Hundred and Forty-first street.

No. 2. Both sides of Southern Boulevard, from Home street to Freeman street.

No. 3. Both sides of Fourth avenue, from Twelfth to Thirteenth street, and both sides of Twelfth street, from Broadway to Fourth avenue.

No. 4. Both sides of One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street, from Brook avenue to a point distant about 435 feet west of Brown place.

No. 5. Both sides of One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street, from Brook avenue to a point distant about 521 feet west of Brown place, and both sides of Brown place, from One Hundred and Thirty-sixth to One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections, in writing, to the Chairman of the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 27 Chambers street, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

The above-described lists will be transmitted, as provided by law, to the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments, for confirmation on the 25th day of March, 1896.

THOMAS J. RUSH, Chairman; WILLIAM H. BELLAMY, JOHN W. JACOBUS, EDWARD McCUE, Board of Assessors.

NEW YORK, February 24, 1896.

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

List 4755, No. 1. Sewer and appurtenances in One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street, between Washington avenue and summit west of Boston road, and branch in Fulton avenue, between One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street and summit north of One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street.

List 5163, No. 2. Receiving-basin and appurtenances on the southwest corner of Brook avenue and One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street.

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

No. 1. Both sides of One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street, from Washington avenue to a point distant about 177 feet east of Franklin avenue; also, east side of Washington avenue, extending about 266 feet south of One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street; also, both sides of Fulton avenue, extending about 344 feet north of One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street, and both sides of Franklin avenue, extending about 310 feet north of One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street.

No. 2. South side of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, from Brook avenue to Brown place, and east side of Brown place, from One Hundred and Thirty-seventh to One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections, in writing, to the Chairman of the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 27 Chambers street, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

The above-described lists will be transmitted, as provided by law, to the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments for confirmation on the 21st day of March, 1896.

THOMAS J. RUSH, Chairman; WILLIAM H. BELLAMY, JOHN W. JACOBUS, EDWARD McCUE, Board of Assessors.

NEW YORK, February 26, 1896.

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

List 4749, No. 1. Sewers and appurtenances in One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street from existing sewer in Webster avenue to Third avenue, with branches in Third avenue, between One Hundred and Seventy-fourth and One Hundred and Seventy-sixth streets.

List 5161, No. 2. Receiving-basins and appurtenances on the northeast and northwest corners of Tremont avenue and Washington avenue.

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

No. 1. Both sides of One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street, from Webster avenue to Franklin avenue; both sides of Washington avenue and Third avenue, from One Hundred and Seventy-fourth to One Hundred and Seventy-sixth street; both sides of Bathgate avenue, commencing at a point about 264 feet south of One Hundred and Seventy-sixth street; both sides of Fulton avenue, from a line parallel to south line of One Hundred and Seventy-fourth street to Fairmount place, West; both sides of

Arthur avenue, from One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street to a point distant about 710 feet north, and both sides of Woodruff street, extending easterly about 212 feet.

No. 2. Both sides of Washington avenue, from Tremont avenue to One Hundred and Seventy-eighth street; south side of One Hundred and Seventy-eighth street, from Washington to Bathgate avenue, and north side of Tremont avenue, from Washington avenue to Bathgate avenue.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections, in writing, to the Chairman of the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 27 Chambers street, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

The above-described lists will be transmitted, as provided by law, to the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments for confirmation on the 20th day of March, 1896.

THOMAS J. RUSH, Chairman; WILLIAM H. BELLAMY, JOHN W. JACOBUS, EDWARD McCUE, Board of Assessors.

NEW YORK, February 19, 1896.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK, BUREAU OF COMBUSTIBLES, NOS. 157 AND 159 EAST SIXTY-SEVENTH STREET, NEW YORK, February 25, 1896.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE OWNER or owners of powder seized at Pier 14, East river, for violation of section 455, chapter 410, Laws of 1882, that on Saturday, February 29, 1896, at 10 o'clock A.M., the Fire Commissioners will sell at Public Auction, at the Bureau of Combustibles, Nos. 157 and 159 East Sixty-seventh street, about 120 pounds of Gunpowder and 70 pounds of Smokeless Powder.

By order of the Board of Fire Commissioners.
GEORGE E. MURRAY, Inspector of Combustibles.

NEW YORK, February 19, 1896.

SEALD PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING the materials and labor and doing the work required in repairing two second-size Double Pump Clapp & Jones Crane Neck Steam Fire-engines, registered numbers 413 and 415, and fitting said engines with M. R. Clapp's latest improved sectional coil-tube boilers, will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head of the Fire Department, at the office of said Department, Nos. 157 and 159 East Sixty-seventh street, in the City of New York, until 10:30 o'clock A.M., Wednesday, March 4, 1896, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read.

No estimate will be received or considered after the hour named.

For information as to the amount and kind of work to be done, bidders are referred to the specifications, which form part of these proposals.

The form of the agreement, with specifications, showing the manner of payment for the work, may be seen, and forms of proposals may be obtained at the office of the Department.

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

The repairs are to be completed and delivered within sixty (60) days after the execution of the contract.

The damages to be paid by the contractor for each day that the contract may be unfilled after the time specified for the completion thereof shall have expired, are fixed and liquidated at fifteen (15) dollars.

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

Any person making an estimate for the work shall present the same in a sealed envelope to said Board, at said office, on or before the day and hour above named, which envelope shall be indorsed with the name or names of the person or persons presenting the same, the date of its presentation, and a statement of the work to which it relates.

The Fire Department reserves the right to decline any or all bids or estimates if deemed to be for the public interest. No bid or estimate will be accepted from, or contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

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

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders of the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as sureties for its faithful performance in the sum of two thousand four hundred (2,400) dollars; and that, if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by law. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered is to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York before the award is made and prior to the signing of the contract.

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of one hundred and twenty (120) dollars. Such check or money must not be enclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

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

No estimate will be received or considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the State or National banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount

and the contract will be readvertised and relet as provided by law.

O. H. LA GRANGE, JAMES R. SHEFFIELD, AUSTIN E. FORD, Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

TO CONTRACTORS. (No. 527.)
PROPOSALS FOR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING AND DELIVERING ABOUT 700 TONS OF ANTHRACITE COAL.

ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING AND DELIVERING about 700 tons of Anthracite Coal will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head of the Department of Docks, at the office of said Department, on Pier "A," foot of Battery place, North river, in the City of New York, until 12 o'clock M. of

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at which time and place the estimates will be publicly opened by the head of said Department. The award of the contract, if awarded, will be made as soon as practicable after the opening of the bids.

Any person making an estimate for the work shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope to said Board, at said office, on or before the day and hour above named, which envelope shall be indorsed with the name or names of the person or persons presenting the same, the date of its presentation, and a statement of the work to which it relates.

The bidder to whom the award is made shall give security for the faithful performance of the contract, in the manner prescribed and required by ordinance, in the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred Dollars.

The Engineer's estimate of the quantity of coal to be furnished and delivered is about 700 tons.

It is expected that about 600 tons will be required to be delivered at the West Fifty-seventh Street Yard of the Department of Docks, and that about 100 tons will be required to be delivered at the East Twenty-fourth Street Yard.

When the City of New York owns the wharf, pier or bulkhead at which the materials under this contract are to be delivered, no charge will be made to the contractor for wharfage upon vessels conveying said materials.

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

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

2d. Bidders will be required to complete the entire work to the satisfaction of the Department of Docks and in substantial accordance with the specifications of the contract. No extra compensation, beyond the amount payable for the work before mentioned, which shall be actually performed at the price therefor per ton, to be specified by the lowest bidder, shall be due or payable for the entire work.

A ton of coal under these specifications shall be 2,400 pounds avoiduposis.

The work to be done under this contract is to be commenced within ten days from the date of the receipt of an order from the Engineer to begin the delivery of coal, and the delivery will be continued in lots of about 230 tons at such times and places and in such manner as may be directed by the Engineer, and the delivery of said coal will be fully completed on or before the 1st day of August, 1896, and the damages to be paid by the contractor for each day that the contract may be unfinished after the time fixed for the fulfillment thereof shall be paid at a rate of Fifty Dollars per day.

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

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

The person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to attend at this office, with

the Boulevard. Area of assessment: Both sides of One Hundred and Forty-sixth street, from Amsterdam avenue to the Boulevard.

ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-SIXTH STREET—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING AND FLAGGING, between Bradhurst and Eighth avenues. Area of assessment: Both sides of One Hundred and Forty-sixth street, between Bradhurst and Eighth avenues.

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-EIGHTH STREET—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING AND FLAGGING, from Amsterdam avenue to Kingsbridge road. Area of assessment: Both sides of One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street, from Amsterdam avenue to Kingsbridge road, and to the extent of half the blocks on the intersecting and terminating avenues.

ONE HUNDRED AND NINETIETH STREET—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING AND FLAGGING, from Audubon avenue to Eleventh avenue. Area of assessment: Both sides of One Hundred and Ninetieth street, from Audubon avenue to Eleventh avenue, and to the extent of half the blocks on the terminating avenues.

ST. NICHOLAS AVENUE—SEWER, west side, between One Hundred and Twenty-sixth and One Hundred and Twenty-seventh streets; also SEWER IN ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVENTH STREET, between St. Nicholas avenue and summit of street westerly. Area of assessment: West side of Avenue St. Nicholas, from One Hundred and Twenty-sixth to One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, and both sides of One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, extending 164 feet west of Avenue St. Nicholas.

EIGHTEENTH WARD.

FIFTH AVENUE—SEWER, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth streets. Area of assessment: Both sides of Fifth avenue, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth streets.

FIFTH AVENUE—SEWER, between Seventeenth and Eighteenth streets. Area of assessment: Both sides of Fifth avenue, between Seventeenth and Eighteenth streets.

TWENTIETH WARD.

TWELFTH AND THIRTEENTH AVENUES—SEWER, between Twenty-seventh and Thirtieth streets; also, SEWERS IN TWENTY-SEVENTH, TWENTY-EIGHTH AND TWENTY-NINTH STREETS, between Eleventh and Thirteenth avenues; also, ALTERATION AND IMPROVEMENT TO OUTLET SEWER IN THIRTIETH STREET, between Eleventh avenue and North river. Area of assessment: Both sides of Twenty-seventh, Twenty-eighth and Twenty-ninth streets, from Eleventh to Thirteenth avenue; both sides of Thirtieth street, from Tenth to Twelfth avenue; both sides of Thirty-first and Thirty-second streets, from Ninth to Twelfth avenue; both sides of Thirty-third street, from a point distant about 500 feet east of Tenth avenue to Twelfth avenue; south side of Thirty-fourth street, extending about 300 feet east of Tenth avenue; east side of Twelfth and Thirteenth avenues, from Twenty-seventh to Thirty-fourth street; west side of Eleventh avenue, from Twenty-eighth to Thirty-fourth street; east side of Eleventh avenue, from Twenty-ninth to Thirty-fourth street; both sides of Tenth avenue, from Thirtieth to Thirty-fourth street; west side of Ninth avenue, from Thirty-first to Thirty-second street.

TWENTY-SECOND WARD.

AMSTERDAM AVENUE—FLAGGING AND CURBING, west side, between Seventeenth and Seventy-first streets. Area of assessment: Ward Nos. 29, 30 and 31 of Block 205.

FORTY-FIRST STREET—FLAGGING AND CURBING, both sides, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues. Area of assessment: Ward Nos. 36, 36½, 37, 38, 39, 41, 58, 59, 60, or 61A, 61B, of Block 175; also Ward Nos. 1, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 25, of Block 176.

EIGHTY-FIRST STREET—FLAGGING AND CURBING, south side, between Amsterdam and Boulevard, and in AMSTERDAM AVENUE, between Eightieth and Eighty-first streets, west side. Area of assessment: Ward Nos. 33 to 36, inclusive, of Block 215.

TWENTY-THIRD WARD.

COLLEGE AVENUE—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING, FLAGGING AND LAVING CROSSWALKS, between One Hundred and Forty-sixth and One Hundred and Forty-eighth streets. Area of assessment: Both sides of College avenue, between One Hundred and Forty-sixth and One Hundred and Forty-eighth streets, and to the extent of half the blocks on the terminating streets.

COURTLAND AVENUE—PAVING, between One Hundred and Fifty-sixth and One Hundred and Sixty-third streets, and LAVING CROSSWALKS, between One Hundred and Forty-sixth and One Hundred and Forty-eighth streets. Area of assessment: Both sides of Courtland avenue, from One Hundred and Fifty-sixth to One Hundred and Sixty-third street, and to the extent of half the blocks on the intersecting and terminating streets.

EAGLE AVENUE—SEWER, from John street to Cedar place. Area of assessment: Both sides of Eagle avenue, from John street to Cedar place.

GERMAN PLACE—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING, FLAGGING AND LAVING CROSSWALKS, from Sedgwick avenue to Devoe street. Area of assessment: Both sides of Lind avenue, from Sedgwick avenue to a point about 650 feet north of Devoe street, and to the extent of half the blocks on the terminating and terminating streets.

LIND AVENUE—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING, FLAGGING AND LAVING CROSSWALKS, from Sedgwick avenue to Devoe street. Area of assessment: Both sides of Lind avenue, from Sedgwick avenue to a point about 650 feet north of Devoe street, and to the extent of half the blocks on the terminating and terminating streets.

MELROSE AVENUE—SEWERS, from Third avenue to One Hundred and Fifty-fourth street. Area of assessment: Both sides of Melrose avenue, between Third avenue and One Hundred and Fifty-fourth street.

MELROSE AVENUE—SEWER, between One Hundred and Fifty-sixth and One Hundred and Sixtieth streets, with BRANCHES IN ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SEVENTH, ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-EIGHTH AND ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-NINTH STREETS, between Elton and Courtland avenues. Area of assessment: Both sides of Melrose avenue, between One Hundred and Fifty-sixth and One Hundred and Sixtieth streets; both sides of One Hundred and Fifty-seventh, One Hundred and Fifty-eighth and One Hundred and Fifty-ninth streets, between Elton and Courtland avenues.

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SEVENTH STREET—SEWER, from Southern Boulevard to Trinity avenue. Area of assessment: Both sides of One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street, from Southern Boulevard to Trinity avenue.

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIFTH STREET—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING, FLAGGING, LAVING CROSSWALKS AND BUILDING CULVERTS, from the westerly curb-line of Union avenue to Westchester avenue. Area of assessment: Both sides of One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, from a point about 135 feet west of Union avenue to Westchester avenue.

SOUTHERN BOULEVARD—SEWERS, both sides, from Brook avenue to One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street; also, on south side, from Brook avenue to the summit in street west of Brown place. Area of assessment: Both sides of Southern Boulevard, from Brook avenue to One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street; south side of Southern Boulevard, from Brook avenue to a point distant about 350 feet westerly from Brown place; both sides of Trinity avenue, from One Hundred and Thirty-fourth to One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street; both sides of St. Ann's avenue, from Southern Boulevard to One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, and both sides of One Hundred and Thirty-sixth and One Hundred and Thirty-seventh streets, from Southern Boulevard to a point distant about 150 feet westerly from Trinity avenue.

TRINITY AVENUE—SEWER, between One Hundred and Sixty-fourth and One Hundred and Sixty-fifth

streets. Area of assessment: Both sides of Trinity avenue, between One Hundred and Sixty-fourth and One Hundred and Sixty-fifth streets.

UNION AVENUE—SEWER, between Kelly and One Hundred and Fifty-sixth streets. Area of assessment: Both sides of Union avenue, from a point about 165 feet south of Dawson street to Westchester avenue. BIRCH STREET—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING, FLAGGING AND LAVING CROSSWALKS, from Wolf street to Marcher avenue. Area of assessment: Both sides of Birch street, from Wolf street to Marcher avenue, and to the extent of half the blocks on the intersecting and terminating avenues and streets.

TWENTY-FOURTH WARD.

UNDERCLIFF AVENUE—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING, FLAGGING AND LAVING CROSSWALKS, from the Twenty-third Ward-line to Sedgwick avenue. Area of assessment: Both sides of Undercliff avenue, from the Twenty-third Ward-line to Sedgwick avenue, and to the extent of half the blocks on the intersecting streets and avenues.

—that the same were confirmed by the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments on January 31, 1896, and entered the same date in the Record of Titles of Assessments Confirmed, kept in the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, and unless the amount assessed for benefit on any person or property shall be paid within sixty days after the date of said entry of the assessments, interest will be collected thereon, as provided in section 917 of said "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882."

Section 917 of the said act provides that, "If any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said record of titles of assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment to charge, collect and receive interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated from the date of such entry to the date of payment."

The above assessments are payable to the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, at the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents. The Comptroller of the City of New York hereby gives public notice to all persons, owners of property, affected by the following assessment, viz.:

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 916 OF THE

"New York City Consolidation Act of 1882," the Comptroller of the City of New York hereby gives public notice to all persons, owners of property, affected by the following assessment, viz.:

TWELFTH WARD.

FORT WASHINGTON RIDGE ROAD (now called FORT WASHINGTON AVENUE), REGULATING, GRADING AND OTHERWISE IMPROVING;

pursuant to chapter 114, Laws of 1892; confirmed by the Supreme Court June 25, 1895; entered February 14, 1896. Area of assessment: All the houses and lots of ground, pieces and parcels of land lying within the boundary described as follows, viz: Beginning at the northwest corner of Eleventh avenue and One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, and running thence westerly to the easterly corner of the "Public Drive"; thence northerly along the east side of the "Public Drive" to its junction with Dyckman street; thence along the south side of Dyckman street to Eleventh avenue; thence southerly along the west side of Eleventh avenue to the northwest corner of One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, the place of beginning.

The above-entitled assessment was entered on the date hereinabove given in the Record of Titles of Assessments Confirmed, kept in the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents." Unless the amount assessed for benefit on any person or property shall be paid within sixty days after the date of said entry of the assessment, interest will be collected thereon as provided in section 917 of said "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882."

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The above assessment is payable to the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, at the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents." Room 31, Stewart Building, between the hours of 9 A.M. and 2 P.M., and all payments made thereon on or before April 14, 1896, will be exempt from interest, as above provided, and after that date will be charged interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from the above date of entry of the assessment in the Record of Titles of Assessments in said Bureau to the date of payment.

ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, February 17, 1896.

DEPT. OF PUBLIC CHARITIES.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES, NEW YORK, February 24, 1896.

PROPOSALS FOR LUMBER. SEALED BIDS or estimates for furnishing, in conformity with specifications, will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities, No. 66 Third avenue, in the City of New York, until 10 o'clock A.M. of Friday, March 6, 1896.

LUMBER.

1. 30,000 feet first quality coffin-box boards, 1' x 12" to 15' x 12" to 16', dressed one side.
2. 30,000 feet first quality coffin-box boards, 5/8" x 12" to 15' x 12" to 16', dressed one side.
3. 8,000 feet clear White Pine Shelving, tree from sap, 12" to 16' x 12" to 16', dressed two sides.
4. 4,000 feet clear White Pine, free from sap, 1" x 12" to 16' x 12" to 16', dressed one side.
5. 4,000 feet clear White Pine, free from sap, 1 1/2" x 12" to 16' x 12" to 16', dressed one side.
6. 4,000 feet clear White Pine, tree from sap, 1 1/2" x 12" to 16' x 12" to 16', dressed one side.
7. 2,000 feet clear White Pine, tree from sap, 2" x 12" to 16' x 12" to 16', dressed one side.
8. 200 pieces Rough Spruce Plank, 1 1/4" x 9" x 13".
9. 250 pieces Rough Spruce Plank, 2" x 9" x 13".
10. 350 Hemlock Joists, 3" x 4" x 13".
11. 400 pieces 1 1/2" x 12" clear Pine Boards, dressed one side, tongued and grooved.
12. 150 pieces Wall Strips, 3" x 2" x 13".

All Lumber to be delivered at Blackwell's Island.

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

THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS OR ESTIMATES IF DEEMED TO BE FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 64, CHAPTER 410, LAWS OF 1882.

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

TRINITY AVENUE—SEWER, between One Hundred and Sixty-fourth and One Hundred and Sixty-fifth

streets. Area of assessment: Both sides of Trinity avenue, between One Hundred and Sixty-fourth and One Hundred and Sixty-fifth streets.

UNION AVENUE—SEWER, between Kelly and One Hundred and Fifty-sixth streets. Area of assessment: Both sides of Union avenue, from a point about 165 feet south of Dawson street to Westchester avenue.

BIRCH STREET—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING, FLAGGING AND LAVING CROSSWALKS, from Wolf street to Marcher avenue. Area of assessment: Both sides of Birch street, from Wolf street to Marcher avenue, and to the extent of half the blocks on the intersecting and terminating avenues and streets.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The form of the contract, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, will be furnished at the office of the Department, and bidders are cautioned to examine each and all of its provisions carefully, as the Board of Public Charities will insist upon its absolute enforcement in every particular.

SILAS C. CROFT, President; JOHN P. FAURE and JAMES R. O'BIRNE, Commissioners, Department of Public Charities.

TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, STEWART BUILDING, NO. 280 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, January 13, 1896.

IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 817 OF THE

New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, notice is hereby given that the books of "The Annual Record of the Assessed Valuation of Real and Personal Estate" of the

spectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 18th day of February, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, No. 51 Chambers street, second floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 23d day of March, 1896, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimants or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated NEW YORK, February 27, 1896.

LOUIS B. VAN GAASBECK, GEORGE G. BANZER, FLOYD M. LORD, Commissioners.

JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York, for and on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to St. JOSEPH STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from Robbins avenue to Whitlock avenue, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMISSIONERS of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to all persons interested in this proceeding, and to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants, of all houses and lots and improved and unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in this proceeding, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and having objections thereto, do present their said objections, in writing, duly verified, to us, at our office, No. 51 Chambers street, second floor, in said city, on or before the 23d day of March, 1896, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said 23d day of March, 1896, at 11 o'clock A.M.

Second—That the abstract of our said estimate and assessment, together with our damage and benefit maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the Bureau of Street Openings in the Law Department of the City of New York, at its office, No. 51 Chambers street, in the said city, there to remain until the 31st day of March, 1896.

Third—That the limits of our assessment for benefit include all those lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: North by a line drawn parallel to the southerly boundary of St. Mary's Park and distant 100 feet northerly therefrom; easterly by the centre line of the blocks between Robbins avenue and Concord avenue, from the northerly boundary of the area of assessment to a line drawn parallel to East One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street and distant northerly 100 feet from the northerly side thereof, and thence by the westerly side of Willow avenue to the United States pier and bulkhead line; southerly by the United States pier and bulkhead line; and westerly by the easterly side of Gouverneur place and the easterly side of St. Ann's avenue; excepting from said area all streets, avenues, roads, or portions thereof, hereof legally opened, as such area is shown on our benefit map deposited as aforesaid.

Fourth—That our report herein will be presented to a Special Term of the Supreme Court, Part III., of the State of New York, to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 5th day of May, 1896, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated NEW YORK, February 20, 1896.

JAMES A. LYNCH, Chairman; THEODORE E. SMITH, Commissioners.

JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening and extending EAST ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVENTH STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from Vanderbilt avenue, West, to Third avenue, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMISSIONERS of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to all persons interested in this proceeding, and to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants, of all houses and lots and improved and unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in this proceeding, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and having objections thereto, do present their said objections, in writing, duly verified, to us, at our office, No. 51 Chambers street, in said city, on or before the 26th day of March, 1896, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said 26th day of March, 1896, and that we will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days at 3 o'clock P.M.

Second—That the abstract of our said estimate and assessment, together with our damage and benefit maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the Bureau of Street Openings in the Law Department of the City of New York, at its office, No. 51 Chambers street, in the said city, there to remain until the 27th day of March, 1896.

Third—That the limits of our assessment for benefit include all those lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: On the north by the middle line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Sixty-fourth street and East One Hundred and Sixty-third street and said middle line produced; on the south by the middle line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Sixty-second street and East One Hundred and Sixty-third street and said middle line produced; on the east by a line drawn parallel to Railroad avenue, West, and distant 100 feet easterly from the easterly side thereof, and on the west by a line drawn parallel to Morris avenue and distant 100 feet westerly from the westerly side thereof; excepting from said area all streets, avenues, roads, or portions thereof, hereof legally opened, as such area is shown upon our benefit map deposited as aforesaid.

Fourth—That our report herein will be presented to a Special Term of the Supreme Court, Part III., of the State of New York, to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 27th day of April, 1896, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated NEW YORK, February 20, 1896.

WALES F. SEVERANCE, Chairman; JAMES E. LEARNED, GEO. CHAPPELL, Commissioners.

JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

City of New York," passed July 1, 1883, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, No. 51 Chambers street, second floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 23d day of March, 1896, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimants or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated NEW YORK, February 27, 1896.

HAROLD M. SMITH, JOSEPH KAUFMANN, LEON SANDERS, Commissioners.

HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York, for and on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to CYPRESS AVENUE (although not yet named by proper authority), from St. Mary's Park to Bronx Kills, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road by the Department of Public Parks.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMISSIONERS of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to all persons interested in this proceeding, and to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants, of all houses and lots and improved and unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in this proceeding, or in any of the lands affected thereby and having objections thereto, do present their said objections, in writing, duly verified, to us, at our office, No. 51 Chambers street, second floor, in said city, on or before the 23d day of March, 1896, and that we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days, at 11 o'clock A.M.

Second—That the abstract of our said estimate and assessment, together with our damage and benefit maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the Bureau of Street Openings in the Law Department of the City of New York, at its office, No. 51 Chambers street, in the said city, there to remain until the 1st day of April, 1896.

Third—That the limits of our assessment for benefit include all those lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: North by a line drawn parallel to the southerly boundary of St. Mary's Park and distant 100 feet northerly therefrom; easterly by the centre line of the blocks between Robbins avenue and Concord avenue, from the northerly boundary of the area of assessment to a line drawn parallel to East One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street and distant northerly 100 feet from the northerly side thereof, and thence by the westerly side of Willow avenue to the United States pier and bulkhead line; southerly by the United States pier and bulkhead line; and westerly by the easterly side of Gouverneur place and the easterly side of St. Ann's avenue; excepting from said area all streets, avenues, roads, or portions thereof, hereof legally opened, as such area is shown on our benefit map deposited as aforesaid.

Fourth—That our report herein will be presented to a Special Term of the Supreme Court, Part III., of the State of New York, to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 5th day of May, 1896, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated NEW YORK, February 25, 1896.

R. DUNCAN HARRIS, ALEXANDER TISON, GREGORY COSTIGAN, Commissioners.

JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening and extending EAST ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-EIGHTH STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), between East End avenue and the East river, in the Nineeenth Ward of the City of New York.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMISSIONERS of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to all persons interested in this proceeding, and to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants, of all houses and lots and improved and unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in this proceeding, or in any of the lands affected thereby and having objections thereto, do present their said objections, in writing, duly verified, to us, at our office, No. 51 Chambers street, in said city, on or before the 26th day of March, 1896, and that we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days at 3 o'clock P.M.

Second—That the abstract of our said estimate and assessment, together with our damage and benefit maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the Bureau of Street Openings in the Law Department of the City of New York, at its office, No. 51 Chambers street, in the said city, there to remain until the 27th day of March, 1896.

Third—That the limits of our assessment for benefit include all those lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: North by a line drawn parallel to the southerly boundary of St. Mary's Park and distant 100 feet northerly therefrom; easterly by the centre line of the blocks between Robbins avenue and Concord avenue, from the northerly boundary of the area of assessment to a line drawn parallel to East One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street and distant northerly 100 feet from the northerly side thereof, and thence by the westerly side of Willow avenue to the United States pier and bulkhead line; southerly by the United States pier and bulkhead line; and westerly by the easterly side of Gouverneur place and the easterly side of St. Ann's avenue; excepting from said area all streets, avenues, roads, or portions thereof, hereof legally opened, as such area is shown on our benefit map deposited as aforesaid.

Fourth—That our report herein will be presented to a Special Term of the Supreme Court, Part III., of the State of New York, to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 5th day of May, 1896, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated NEW YORK, February 20, 1896.

JAMES A. LYNCH, Chairman; THEODORE E. SMITH, Commissioners.

JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening and extending EAST ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVENTH STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from Vanderbilt avenue, West, to Third avenue, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMISSIONERS of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to all persons interested in this proceeding, and to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants, of all houses and lots and improved and unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in this proceeding, or in any of the lands affected thereby and having objections thereto, do present their said objections, in writing, duly verified, to us, at our office, No. 51 Chambers street, in said city, on or before the 26th day of March, 1896, and that we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days at 3 o'clock P.M.

Second—That the abstract of our said estimate and assessment, together with our damage and benefit maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the Bureau of Street Openings in the Law Department of the City of New York, at its office, No. 51 Chambers street, in the said city, there to remain until the 27th day of March, 1896.

Third—That the limits of our assessment for benefit include all those lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: On the north by the middle line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Sixty-fourth street and East One Hundred and Sixty-third street and said middle line produced; on the south by the middle line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Sixty-second street and East One Hundred and Sixty-third street and said middle line produced; on the east by a line drawn parallel to Railroad avenue, West, and distant 100 feet easterly from the easterly side thereof, and on the west by a line drawn parallel to Morris avenue and distant 100 feet westerly from the westerly side thereof; excepting from said area all streets, avenues, roads, or portions thereof, hereof legally opened, as such area is shown upon our benefit map deposited as aforesaid.

Fourth—That our report herein will be presented to a Special Term of the Supreme Court, Part III., of the State of New York, to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 5th day of May, 1896, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated NEW YORK, February 20, 1896.

WALES F. SEVERANCE, Chairman; JAMES E. LEARNED, GEO. CHAPPELL, Commissioners.

JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening BRYANT STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from the north line of the L.S. Samuel property to Woodruff street, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE

undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 30th day of December, 1895, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment

for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 18th day of February, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the

City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days at 11:30 o'clock A.M.

Second—That the abstract of our said estimate and assessment, together with our damage and benefit maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the Bureau of Street Openings in the Law Department of the City of New York, at its office, No. 51 Chambers street, in said city, there to remain until the 20th day of March, 1896.

Third—That the limits of our assessment for benefit include all those lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.:

minutes 30 seconds west 85.32 feet, south 20 degrees 20 minutes 30 seconds west 9.49 feet; south 81 degrees 10 minutes 30 seconds west 118.07 feet, north 48 degrees 48 minutes west 42.63 feet, north 88 degrees west 252.04 feet, north 24 degrees 38 minutes 30 seconds west 8.04 feet, north 11 degrees 9 minutes west 74.10 feet, north 15 degrees 37 minutes 30 seconds west 10.77 feet, north 15 degrees 37 minutes 30 seconds west 10.81 feet, north 66 degrees 14 minutes 30 seconds west 126.01 feet, north 66 degrees 14 minutes 30 seconds west 23.14 feet, south 80 degrees 21 minutes 30 seconds west 14 feet to the centre of the Horse Pound brook; thence northerly along said brook on the following courses along Parcel No. 63: North 0 degrees 2 minutes 30 seconds east 55.42 feet, north 55 degrees 21 minutes east 34 feet, north 51 degrees 28 minutes east 126.43 feet, north 34 degrees 35 minutes 30 seconds east 50.26 feet, north 33 degrees 16 minutes 30 seconds west 69.84 feet, north 1 degree 30 minutes east 16.78 feet to Parcel No. 66; thence still along said brook and along Parcel No. 66 on the 8 following courses and distances: North 2 degrees 37 minutes west 53.91 feet, north 11 degrees 10 minutes 30 seconds east 60.63 feet, north 58 degrees 4 minutes east 49.77 feet, north 72 degrees 31 minutes 30 seconds east 37.47 feet, north 4 degrees 57 minutes 30 seconds east 34.71 feet, north 37 degrees 39 minutes 30 seconds east 60.17 feet, north 10 degrees 30 minutes east 48.89 feet, north 27 degrees 21 minutes 30 seconds east 17.76 feet to Parcel No. 67; thence along Parcel No. 67 and generally along said brook on the 15 following courses: South 74 degrees 5 minutes 30 seconds east 10 feet, north 72 degrees 34 minutes 30 seconds east 24.77 feet, north 54 degrees 0 minutes 30 seconds east 64.1 feet, north 34 degrees 38 minutes 30 seconds east 69.61 feet, north 8 degrees 36 minutes west 12.17 feet, north 3 degrees 25 minutes west 87.42 feet, north 55 degrees 42 minutes 30 seconds east 73.02 feet, north 85 degrees 4 minutes 30 seconds east 74.03 feet, north 55 degrees 43 minutes 30 seconds east 35.94 feet, north 50 degrees 35 minutes 30 seconds east 63.41 feet, south 86 degrees 15 minutes east 54.13 feet, north 64 degrees 25 minutes 30 seconds east 66.26 feet, north 3 degrees 38 minutes east 96.61 feet, north 6 degrees 41 minutes 30 seconds west 103.33 feet, north 17 degrees 10 minutes 30 seconds west 37.45 feet; thence still along said Parcel No. 67 and leaving said brook north 77 degrees 14 minutes 30 seconds east 113.12 feet; thence north 81 degrees 7 minutes east 23.30 feet; thence south 87 degrees 16 minutes 30 seconds east 106.05 feet; thence north 88 degrees 35 minutes, 30 seconds east 227.87 feet to the easterly boundary of Parcel No. 67 and Parcel No. 68; thence along said easterly boundary south 0 degrees 5 minutes 30 seconds east 1,339.04 feet to the place of beginning; containing 29,520 acres.

PARCEL NO. 37—52.014 ACRES.

Beginning at the most northerly corner of the parcel herein intended to be described, which is the most easterly corner of Parcel No. 38; thence south 50 degrees 56 minutes 30 seconds east 1,200 feet; thence south 4 degrees 0 minutes 50 seconds east 77.55 feet to Parcel No. 36; thence along Parcel No. 36 on the 23 following courses and distances: South 49 degrees 46 minutes 30 seconds west 129.34 feet, south 55 degrees 33 minutes west 32 feet, south 54 degrees 33 minutes 30 seconds west 200.05 feet, south 49 degrees 43 minutes 30 seconds west 100 feet, south 52 degrees 10 minutes west 100.32 feet, south 54 degrees 18 minutes 30 seconds west 100.32 feet, south 52 degrees 2 minutes west 145.64 feet, south 52 degrees 7 minutes west 14.15 feet, south 55 degrees 5 minutes west 319.53 feet, south 54 degrees 49 minutes west 104 feet to the West Branch of the Croton river; thence south 27 degrees 27 minutes west 33.84 feet, south 55 degrees 57 minutes west 57.95 feet, south 79 degrees 20 minutes west 26.24 feet, south 83 degrees 10 minutes west 67.78 feet, south 27 degrees 41 minutes 30 seconds west 14.12 feet, south 22 degrees 20 minutes 30 seconds west 31.03 feet, south 29 degrees 8 minutes west 76.11 feet, south 21 degrees 33 minutes west 29.7 feet, south 42 degrees 3 minutes 30 seconds west 29.7 feet, south 42 degrees 3 minutes west 14.55 feet, south 19 degrees 57 minutes 30 seconds west 23.64 feet, south 85 degrees 10 minutes west 15.15 feet west 15 feet to Parcel No. 24; thence along Parcel No. 24 north 88 degrees 19 minutes west 235.50 feet to Parcel No. 28; thence along the southerly line of Parcel No. 28 on the 24 following courses and distances: North 9 degrees 48 minutes 30 seconds east 58.07 feet, north 10 degrees 35 minutes 30 seconds east 100.41 feet; north 7 degrees 35 minutes 30 seconds east 100.41 feet; north 10 degrees 40 minutes west 167.22 feet; thence along Parcel No. 73 north 72 degrees 40 minutes west 167.22 feet; thence north 0 degrees 38 minutes east 53.82 feet; thence north 18 degrees 38 minutes 30 seconds east 15.03 feet, south 190.95 feet to the place of beginning; containing 0.916 of an acre.

PARCEL NO. 52—0.715 OF AN ACRE.

Beginning at the most northwesterly corner of the parcel herein intended to be described in the easterly line of the land formerly of Hannah E. Hopkins (Parcel No. 53); thence north 72 degrees 56 minutes east along Parcel No. 54 149.64 feet; thence still along said parcel south 4 degrees 21 minutes east 93.5 feet; thence still along said Parcel No. 54 the following 4 courses: South 14 degrees 18 minutes 30 seconds east 75.02 feet, south 76 degrees 30 minutes 30 seconds east 13.60 feet, south 67 degrees 33 minutes 30 seconds west 10.02 feet, south 13 degrees 43 minutes 30 seconds east 42.86 feet to Parcel No. 51; thence along Parcel No. 51 the 3 following courses: North 0 degrees 2 minutes 30 seconds east 55.42 feet, north 55 degrees 21 minutes east 34 feet, south 21 degrees 40 minutes east 14 feet, south 50 degrees 46 minutes 30 seconds west 47.44 feet to Parcel No. 53; thence north 15 degrees 30 minutes 30 seconds west along Parcel No. 53 125.26 feet; thence north 15 degrees 30 minutes 30 seconds west 12.73 feet, south 13 degrees 43 minutes 30 seconds west 14.46 feet to the place of beginning; containing 0.715 of an acre.

PARCEL NO. 50—0.676 OF AN ACRE.

Beginning at the most southwesterly corner of the parcel herein intended to be described; thence north 29 degrees 56 minutes 30 seconds east 141.3 feet; thence on the following courses along the southerly side of Parcel No. 49: North 81 degrees 10 minutes 30 seconds east 24.6 feet, north 85 degrees 12 minutes east 20.56 feet, north 82 degrees 57 minutes east 41.23 feet, north 83 degrees 11 minutes 30 seconds east 50.76 feet, north 88 degrees 38 minutes 30 seconds east 39.55 feet, north 88 degrees 55 minutes 30 seconds east 67.07 feet, north 87 degrees 20 minutes 30 seconds east 26.46 feet to Parcel No. 47; thence along Parcel No. 47 south 5 degrees 27 minutes 40 seconds east 6.62 feet; thence south 78 degrees 30 minutes 30 seconds west 20.03 feet; thence south 75 degrees 41 minutes west 30.81 feet; thence south 66 degrees 11 minutes 30 seconds west 13.01 feet; thence south 84 degrees 22 minutes west 42.98 feet; thence north 44 degrees 41 minutes 30 seconds west 114.16 feet; thence north 60 degrees 58 minutes 30 seconds west 30.93 feet; thence north 32 degrees 9 minutes 30 seconds west 17.12 feet; thence north 22 degrees 15 minutes west 52.30 feet; thence north 3 degrees 2 minutes west 81.89 feet; thence north 8 degrees 10 minutes 30 seconds east 44.29 feet; thence north 0 degrees 33 minutes 30 seconds west 100.02 feet; thence north 14 degrees 15 minutes 30 seconds east 21.84 feet; thence north 31 degrees 59 minutes 30 seconds east 18.05 feet to point on westerly bank of West Branch of Croton river; thence following westerly bank of West Branch of Croton river and continuing along boundary of Parcel No. 44 north 36 degrees 40 minutes west 12.21 feet, thence leaving West Branch of Croton river and continuing along boundary of Parcel No. 44 south 20 degrees 16 minutes west 29.16 feet; thence south 4 degrees 25 minutes east 21.01 feet; thence south 0 degrees 35 minutes 30 seconds west 44.29 feet; thence north 0 degrees 33 minutes 30 seconds west 14.26 feet; thence south 23 degrees 18 minutes east 52.12 feet; thence south 32 degrees 0 minutes 30 seconds east 17.12 feet; thence south 58 degrees 15 minutes east 39.22 feet; thence south 42 degrees 16 minutes east 103.35 feet; thence south 33 degrees 11 minutes 30 seconds east 13.75 feet; thence south 64 degrees 23 minutes 30 seconds east 7.21 feet; thence south 37 degrees 3 minutes 30 seconds east 24 feet; thence south 38 degrees 36 minutes 30 seconds east 37.02 feet; thence north 61 degrees 1 minute 30 seconds east 15.75 feet; thence north 81 degrees 5 minutes 30 seconds east 25.75 feet; thence south 14 degrees 5 minutes east 14.13 feet; thence south 10 degrees 31 minutes 30 seconds west 25.40 feet; thence south 59 degrees 6 minutes 30 seconds east 48 feet; thence south 57 degrees 7 minutes 30 seconds east 21.33 feet; thence south 65 degrees 20 minutes east 13.04 feet; thence south 32 degrees 23 degrees 24 minutes 30 seconds east 30.42 feet; thence south 21 degrees 34 minutes 30 seconds east 21.85 feet; thence south 27 degrees 55 minutes 30 seconds east 21.85 feet; thence south 27 degrees 48 minutes 30 seconds east 41.93 feet to point of beginning, and containing 0.676 of an acre.

PARCEL NO. 72—0.729 OF AN ACRE.

Beginning at the most northwesterly corner of the parcel herein intended to be described, which is the southwesterly corner of Parcel No. 73; thence south 72 degrees 40 minutes east along Parcel No. 73 151.08 feet to Parcel No. 70; thence along said parcel south 12 degrees 20 minutes west 225.55 feet; thence north 72 degrees 40 minutes west along Parcel No. 71, 97.99 feet; thence north 10 degrees 38 minutes east 265.22 feet to the place of beginning; containing 0.729 of an acre.

PARCEL NO. 73—0.916 OF AN ACRE.

Beginning at the most northwesterly corner of the parcel herein intended to be described, which is the most easterly corner of Parcel No. 74; thence south 87 degrees 16 minutes 30 seconds east 106.05 feet; thence north 88 degrees 35 minutes, 30 seconds east 227.87 feet to the easterly boundary of Parcel No. 67 and Parcel No. 68; thence along said easterly boundary south 0 degrees 5 minutes 30 seconds east 1,339.04 feet to the place of beginning; containing 0.916 of an acre.

PARCEL NO. 74—0.890 OF AN ACRE.

Beginning at the most northwesterly corner of the parcel herein intended to be described, which is the most southwesterly corner of Parcel No. 74; thence along Parcel No. 74 south 72 degrees 40 minutes east 139.63 feet to Parcel No. 70; thence along said Parcel No. 70 south 13 degrees 4 minutes west 130 feet; thence still along said parcel south 3 degrees 17 minutes west along Parcel No. 70, 237 feet; thence still along Parcel No. 70 south 12 degrees 20 minutes west 18 feet; thence along Parcel No. 72 north 72 degrees 40 minutes west 150.02 feet; thence north 0 degrees 38 minutes east 52.12 feet; thence south 32 degrees 0 minutes 30 seconds east 17.12 feet to the place of beginning; containing 0.890 of an acre.

PARCEL NO. 75—0.388 OF AN ACRE.

Beginning at the most northwesterly corner of the parcel herein intended to be described, which is the most southwesterly corner of Parcel No. 76; thence along Parcel No. 75 south 72 degrees 40 minutes east 139.63 feet to Parcel No. 70; thence along said Parcel No. 70 south 13 degrees 4 minutes west 130 feet; thence still along said parcel south 3 degrees 17 minutes west along Parcel No. 70, 237 feet; thence still along Parcel No. 70 south 12 degrees 20 minutes west 18 feet; thence along Parcel No. 72 north 72 degrees 40 minutes west 150.02 feet; thence north 0 degrees 38 minutes east 52.12 feet; thence south 32 degrees 0 minutes 30 seconds east 17.12 feet to the place of beginning; containing 0.388 of an acre.

PARCEL NO. 76—0.272 OF AN ACRE.

Beginning at the most southwesterly corner of the parcel herein intended to be described, which is the most northwesterly corner of Parcel No. 77; thence north 18 degrees 38 minutes 30 seconds east 116.1 feet; thence south 74 degrees 42 minutes 30 seconds east 101.77 feet; thence south 21 degrees 20 minutes west along boundary of Parcel No. 70, 122 feet; thence along Parcel No. 77 north 72 degrees 40 minutes west 167.22 feet; thence north 0 degrees 38 minutes east 53.82 feet; thence north 18 degrees 38 minutes 30 seconds east 15.03 feet; thence south 190.95 feet to the place of beginning; containing 0.272 of an acre.

PARCEL NO. 77—0.388 OF AN ACRE.

Beginning at the most southwesterly corner of the parcel herein intended to be described, which is the most northwesterly corner of Parcel No. 77; thence north 18 degrees 38 minutes 30 seconds east 116.1 feet; thence south 74 degrees 42 minutes 30 seconds east 101.77 feet; thence south 21 degrees 20 minutes west along boundary of Parcel No. 70, 122 feet; thence along Parcel No. 77 north 72 degrees 40 minutes west 167.22 feet; thence north 0 degrees 38 minutes east 53.82 feet; thence north 190.95 feet to the place of beginning; containing 0.388 of an acre.

PARCEL NO. 45.

Beginning at a point common to Parcels Nos. 53 and 55, thence following boundary of Parcel No. 53 south 74 degrees 12 minutes west 129.50 feet to a point in centre of west branch of Croton river; thence following west branch of Croton river and continuing along boundary of Parcel No. 53 north 61 degrees 7 minutes 30 seconds west 31.31 feet; thence north 52 degrees 27 minutes west 128.23 feet; thence north 48 degrees 26 minutes west 76.77 feet; thence north 38 degrees 18 minutes west 103.27 feet; thence north 44 degrees 52 minutes 30 seconds west 75.73 feet; thence north 79 degrees 20 minutes 30 seconds west 10.41 feet; thence north 5 degrees 29 minutes west 17.50 feet; thence north 8 degrees 28 minutes east 11.29 feet; thence leaving West Branch of Croton river and continuing along boundary of Parcel No. 53 south 79 degrees 38 minutes 30 seconds west 135.99 feet; thence south 59 degrees 40 minutes west 27.56 feet; thence south 63 degrees 42 minutes 30 seconds west 60.66 feet; thence south 65 degrees 7 minutes 30 seconds east 21.33 feet; thence south 65 degrees 20 minutes east 13.04 feet; thence south 32 degrees 23 degrees 24 minutes 30 seconds east 30.42 feet; thence south 21 degrees 34 minutes 30 seconds east 21.85 feet; thence south 16 degrees 55 minutes 30 seconds east 21.85 feet; thence south 27 degrees 48 minutes 30 seconds east 41.93 feet to point of beginning, and containing 0.388 of an acre, excepting thereto Parcel No. 46, which lies within the above-mentioned boundaries.

PARCEL NO. 56.

Beginning at a point common to Parcels Nos. 53, 54 and 55, thence following boundary of Parcel No. 53 south 74 degrees 12 minutes west 129.50 feet to a point in centre of west branch of Croton river; thence following west branch of Croton river and continuing along boundary of Parcel No. 53 north 61 degrees 7 minutes 30 seconds west 31.31 feet; thence north 52 degrees 27 minutes west 128.23 feet; thence north 48 degrees 26 minutes west 76.77 feet; thence north 38 degrees 18 minutes west 103.27 feet; thence north 44 degrees 52 minutes 30 seconds west 75.73 feet; thence north 79 degrees 20 minutes 30 seconds west 10.41 feet; thence north 5 degrees 29 minutes west 17.50 feet; thence north 8 degrees 28 minutes east 11.29 feet; thence leaving West Branch of Croton river and continuing along boundary of Parcel No. 53 south 79 degrees 38 minutes 30 seconds west 135.99 feet; thence south 59 degrees 40 minutes west 27.56 feet; thence south 63 degrees 42 minutes 30 seconds west 60.66 feet; thence south 65 degrees 7 minutes 30 seconds east 21.33 feet; thence south 65 degrees 20 minutes east 13.04 feet; thence south 32 degrees 23 degrees 24 minutes 30 seconds east 30.42 feet; thence south 21 degrees 34 minutes 30 seconds east 21.85 feet; thence south 16 degrees 55 minutes 30 seconds east 21.85 feet; thence south 27 degrees 48 minutes 30 seconds east 41.93 feet to point of beginning, and containing 0.388 of an acre, excepting thereto Parcel No. 46, which lies within the above-mentioned boundaries.

PARCEL NO. 56.

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posed in the Bureau of Street Openings in the Law Department of the City of New York, at its office, No. 51 Chambers street, in the said city, there to remain until the 14th day of March, 1896.

Third.—That the limits of our assessment for benefit include all those lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: On the north by the middle line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Sixty-second and East One Hundred and Sixty-third streets and said middle line produced; on the south by the middle line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Sixty-second and East One Hundred and Sixty-first streets; on the east by a line drawn parallel to Railroad avenue, West, and distant 100 feet easterly from the easterly side thereof; on the west by a line drawn parallel to Morris avenue, and distant 100 feet westerly from the westerly side thereof; excepting from said area all streets, avenues, roads, or portions thereof, heretofore legally opened, as such area is shown on our benefit map deposited as aforesaid.

Fourth.—That our report herein will be presented to a Special Term of the Supreme Court, Part III., of the State of New York, to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 14th day of April, 1896, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, February 10, 1896.
MICHAEL FENNELLY, Chairman; JOSEPH RILEY, CHARLES D. BURRILL, Commissioners.
HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Clerk.

NEW AQUEDUCT—NEW CROTON DAM, CORNELL SITE.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR APPRAISAL.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT it is the intention of the Counsel to the Corporation of the City of New York, to make application to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners of Appraisal, under chapter 490 of the Laws of 1883.

Such application will be made at a Special Term of said Court to be held in the Second Judicial District, at the Court-house in White Plains, Westchester County, on the 7th day of March, 1896, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as Counsel can be heard.

The object of such application is to obtain an order of the Court appointing three disinterested and competent freeholders, one of whom shall reside in the County of New York, and the other two of whom shall reside in the county in which the real estate hereinabove described is situated, as Commissioners of Appraisal to ascertain and appraise the compensation to be made to the owners of and all persons interested in the real estate hereinabove described, as proposed to be taken or affected for the purpose of maintaining, preserving and increasing the water supply of the City of New York.

The real estate sought to be taken or affected is situated in the towns of Bedford and Lewisboro, County of Westchester and State of New York, and is laid out, indicated and shown on a certain map, signed and certified as required by said act, filed in the Westchester County Register's Office December 18, 1895, which said map is entitled "Department of Public Works, City of New York, G. W. Birdsall, Chief Engineer Croton Act, Wm. Brookfield, Commissioner; property maps of additional lands required for the construction of the New Croton Reservoir, in the Village of Katonah, Towns of Bedford and Lewisboro, Westchester County, New York. Exhibit No. 6 of 1895. Verified August 23, 1895."

The real estate shown on said map is to be acquired in fee, and is described as follows:

All that tract of land in the towns of Bedford and Lewisboro, County of Westchester and State of New York, described as follows: That part lying west of the right-of-way of the Harlem Railroad, begins at a point which is the southeasterly extremity of the triangular block of land lying to the southwest of the railroad station, as shown on said map; thence south 2 degrees 22 minutes east along said right-of-way line of said railroad to an angle therein; thence south 2 degrees 22 minutes east along said right-of-way line; thence north 2 degrees 22 minutes west along said right-of-way line; thence south 2 degrees 22 minutes west along the easterly right-of-way line of said railroad 745.74 feet to an angle in said right-of-way line; thence north 87 degrees 38 minutes east along said right-of-way line; thence north 2 degrees 22 minutes west along said right-of-way line; thence south 87 degrees 38 minutes west along said right-of-way line 400 feet to an angle in said right-of-way line; thence south 87 degrees 38 minutes west along said right-of-way line 85 feet to an angle therein; thence along said right-of-way line north 2 degrees 40 minutes west 700 feet to an angle in said right-of-way line; thence north 87 degrees 38 minutes east along said right-of-way line; thence north 2 degrees 22 minutes west along said right-of-way line; thence south 87 degrees 38 minutes west along said right-of-way line 400 feet to an angle in said right-of-way line; thence south 87 degrees 38 minutes west along said right-of-way line 85 feet to an angle therein; thence along said right-of-way line 85 feet to an angle therein; thence along said right-of-way line the following courses and distances: North 3 degrees 10 minutes west 95.34 feet; thence north 2 degrees 36 minutes 30 seconds east 97.24 feet; thence north 14 degrees 45 minutes 30 seconds east 98.40 feet; thence north 9 degrees 11 minutes 30 seconds east 96.63 feet; thence north 16 degrees 18 minutes east 96.70 feet; thence north 12 degrees east 96.16 feet; thence north 13 degrees 36 minutes east 90 feet to the most northerly corner of the land herein intended to be described and the most northerly corner of Parcel No. 93 shown on said map; thence leaving said right-of-way line of said railroad and running the following courses and distances: South 65 degrees east 77.96 feet; thence south 18 degrees 19 minutes 20 seconds west 135 feet; thence south 55 degrees 7 minutes east 132.14 feet; thence south 54 degrees 54 minutes east 66.67 feet; thence south 44 degrees east 77.85 feet; thence south 11 degrees 26 minutes west 50.61 feet; thence south 14 degrees 59 minutes 30 seconds west 76.07 feet; thence south 18 degrees 13 minutes 39 seconds west 99.11 feet; thence south 87 degrees 45 minutes west 174.05 feet; thence south 7 degrees 34 minutes west 35.90 feet; thence south 57 degrees 40 minutes east 67.36 feet; thence south 30 degrees 6 minutes east 119.82 feet; thence south 28 degrees 42 minutes east 70.64 feet; thence south 13 degrees 23 minutes 30 seconds east 224.22 feet; thence south 78 degrees 24 minutes west 33.67 feet; thence south 8 degrees 32 minutes 30 seconds east 123.50 feet; thence south 5 degrees 5 minutes east 158.83 feet; thence south 7 degrees 22 minutes west 113.56 feet; thence south 17 degrees 30 minutes west 265.70 feet; thence south 26 degrees 52 minutes east 105.07 feet; thence south 59 degrees 18 minutes 30 seconds east 127.48 feet; thence south 27 degrees 39 minutes west 33.25 feet; thence south 64 degrees 49 minutes 30 seconds west 390.40 feet; thence south 11 degrees 4 minutes 30 seconds west 390.40 feet; thence south 64 degrees 9 minutes 30 seconds west 227.35 feet; thence south 61 degrees 33 minutes west 174.29 feet to the place of beginning; comprising Parcels Nos. 97, 94, 95, 96 and part of the highway leading southeasterly from the railroad station; also Parcels Nos. 101, 102, 103, 104, 105 and a part of the highway leading from the bridge in front of the Roman Catholic Church easterly from the railway right-of-way; also Parcel Nos. 106, 107 and 108; the area of the above-described tract of land contains 15.871 acres, .956 of which is the area of the highways.

Reference is made to the said map filed as aforesaid for a more detailed description of the premises affected by this notice.

All the real estate shown on said map is to be acquired in fee, except Parcel No. 93, formerly owned by the Katonah Silk Company, which has been acquired by the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York by stipulation and consent.

All the roads and highways shown on said map and included within this description are to be acquired in fee, but are to be left open for public travel and no change made in the length, width or grade of same until such time as the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York shall have acquired the right to close such highways.

Dated January 20, 1896.
FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation, Office and Post-office address: No. 2 Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York, for and on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to certain lands, property rights, terms, easements, and privileges necessary to be acquired for an addition to the PUBLIC DRIVEWAY, on its westerly side, between One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street and High Bridge Park, in said city, pursuant to chapter 894 of the Laws of 1895, entitled "An Act to amend chapter one hundred and two of the laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, being an act entitled 'An Act to lay out, establish and regulate a public driveway in the City of New York.'"

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, George C. Coffin, Matthew Chalmers and Henry Hughes, were appointed Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment under the provisions of chapter 894 of the Laws of 1895, by an order of the Supreme Court duly made and filed in the office of the Clerk thereof, in the City and County of New York, on the 4th day of November, 1895.

That we have, severally, duly taken and subscribed the oaths required by section 3 of said chapter 894 of the Laws of 1895, each of which said oaths so taken and subscribed as aforesaid were duly filed in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 8th day of January, 1896.

A brief statement of the purposes for which we have been appointed is as follows: We are to ascertain the compensation to be made to all parties and persons interested in the real estate taken for an addition to the Public Driveway (known as "The Speedway") on its westerly side between One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street and High Bridge Park, in the City of New York, under and pursuant to said chapter 894 of the Laws of 1895, which said addition to said Public Driveway is shown and delineated and more particularly set forth in the petition of the Counsel to the Corporation of the City of York, duly filed on the 4th day of November, 1895, in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York.

The said real estate so taken as aforesaid is embraced within the lines of said addition to said Public Driveway, as duly laid out and established by the Department of Public Parks of said City of New York, as shown on three certain maps, duly filed, one in the office of the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York on or about the 3d day of July, 1895, one in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York on or about the 10th day of July, 1895, and one in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on or about the 10th day of July, 1895.

All the parties, persons or claimants interested in the real estate taken for the purposes of said addition to said Public Driveway, or affected thereby, are hereby notified and required to present any claim or demand on account thereof to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, duly verified, with such affidavits or other proof in support thereof as the said parties and persons or claimants so interested as aforesaid may desire, at our office, Room 113, Stewart Building, No. 280 Broadway, in the City of New York, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

used by us in making our report, have been deposited with the Commissioner of Public Works of the City of New York, at its office, No. 51 Chambers street, in the said city, there to remain until the 31st day of March, 1896.

Third.—That the limits of our assessment for benefit include all those lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: On the north by the middle line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Sixty-second and East One Hundred and Sixty-third streets and said middle line produced; on the south by the middle line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Sixty-second and East One Hundred and Sixty-first streets; on the east by a line drawn parallel to Railroad avenue, West, and distant 100 feet easterly from the easterly side thereof; on the west by a line drawn parallel to Morris avenue, and distant 100 feet westerly from the westerly side thereof; excepting from said area all streets, avenues, roads, or portions thereof, heretofore legally opened, as such area is shown on our benefit map deposited as aforesaid.

Fourth.—That our report herein will be presented to a Special Term of the Supreme Court, Part III., of the State of New York, to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 27th day of April, 1896, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, February 15, 1896.

FRANKLIN BIEN, Chairman; GEORGE E. HYATT, Commissioners.

HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening PUBLIC PLACE (although not yet named by proper authority), bounded by East One Hundred and Sixty-first street, Courtlandt avenue, East One Hundred and Sixty-second street and the New York and Harlem Railroad, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 4th day of February, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 6th day of February, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue, so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed, thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed, thereby, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, No. 51 Chambers street, second floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 11th day of March, 1896, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, February 15, 1896.
THOMAS J. MCBRIDE, JNO. W. D. DOBLER, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening SPENCER PLACE (although not yet named by proper authority), from East One Hundred and Forty-four street to East One Hundred and Fifteenth street, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as first-class street or road, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 27th day of December, 1895, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 30th day of December, 1895, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed, thereby, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to lay out, establish and regulate a public driveway in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, No. 51 Chambers street, second floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 2d day of March, 1896, at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, February 5, 1896.
WALTER LARGE, Chairman; J. EDGAR LEAYCRAFT, FRANK GRADY, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

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