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MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

THE COUNCIL.

STATED MEETING.

TUESDAY, January 18, 1898,
1 o'clock P. M.

The Council met in Room 16, City Hall.

PRESENT:

Hon. Randolph Guggenheimer, President.

COUNCILMEN

John T. Oakley,
Vice-Chairman,
Thomas F. Foley,
Martin Engel,
Frank J. Goodwin,
Charles F. Allen,
Harry C. Hart,
George B. Christman,
John J. Murphy,
Eugene A. Wise,

Stewart M. Brice,
Herman Sulzer,
William J. Hyland,
Adolph C. Hottenroth,
Bernard C. Murray,
Charles H. Francisco,
Francis F. Williams,
Conrad H. Hester,
Adam H. Leich,

Henry French,
Charles H. Ebbets,
John J. McGarry,
William A. Doyle,
Martin F. Conly,
David L. Van Nostrand,
Joseph Cassidy,
Joseph F. O'Grady,
Benjamin J. Bodine.

No. 43.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved, on motion of Councilman Goodwin.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS AND CORPORATION OFFICERS.

The President laid before the Council the following communication from the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen:

No. 44.

CITY OF NEW YORK—BOARD OF ALDERMEN,
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.
January 17, 1898.

Hon. P. J. SCULLY, City Clerk:

DEAR SIR—Please find inclosed resolution adopted by the Board of Aldermen January 11, 1898, rescinding resolution in regard to the Hall of Records which was adopted by the Board of Aldermen December 28, 1897, and approved by the Mayor December 30, 1897; also a resolution adopted by the Board of Aldermen on January 11, 1898, permitting the Yorkville Wheelmen to place transparency on lamp-post at Eighty-fourth street and Third avenue; also a resolution permitting Joseph B. Glenny to keep ornamental lamp-post at No. 76 Fourth avenue; also a resolution enumerating districts of local improvements; also a resolution permitting the Forty-fourth Street M. E. Church to place transparencies on lamp-posts.

Yours respectfully,

MICHAEL F. BLAKE, Clerk of the Board of Aldermen.

The resolutions are as follows:

No. 45.

Resolved, That, in accordance with the provisions of section 390 of the Charter of the City of New York, the districts of local improvement in the City of New York shall be and the same are hereby distinguished by the same enumeration as the Senatorial Districts situated in whole or in part within the limits of said city, namely:

That portion of the First Senatorial District, situated within the boundaries of the City of New York, shall be known as the First District of Local Improvement.

That portion of the Second Senatorial District, situated within the boundaries of the City of New York, shall be known as the Second District of Local Improvement.

That portion of the Third Senatorial District, situated within the boundaries of the City of New York, shall be known as the Third District of Local Improvement.

That portion of the Fourth Senatorial District, situated within the boundaries of the City of New York, shall be known as the Fourth District of Local Improvement.

That portion of the Fifth Senatorial District, situated within the boundaries of the City of New York, shall be known as the Fifth District of Local Improvement.

That portion of the Sixth Senatorial District, situated within the boundaries of the City of New York, shall be known as the Sixth District of Local Improvement.

That portion of the Seventh Senatorial District, situated within the boundaries of the City of New York, shall be known as the Seventh District of Local Improvement.

That portion of the Eighth Senatorial District, situated within the boundaries of the City of New York, shall be known as the Eighth District of Local Improvement.

That portion of the Ninth Senatorial District, situated within the boundaries of the City of New York, shall be known as the Ninth District of Local Improvement.

That portion of the Tenth Senatorial District, situated within the boundaries of the City of New York, shall be known as the Tenth District of Local Improvement.

That portion of the Eleventh Senatorial District, situated within the boundaries of the City of New York, shall be known as the Eleventh District of Local Improvement.

That portion of the Twelfth Senatorial District, situated within the boundaries of the City of New York, shall be known as the Twelfth District of Local Improvement.

That portion of the Thirteenth Senatorial District, situated within the boundaries of the City of New York, shall be known as the Thirteenth District of Local Improvement.

That portion of the Fourteenth Senatorial District, situated within the boundaries of the City of New York, shall be known as the Fourteenth District of Local Improvement.

That portion of the Fifteenth Senatorial District, situated within the boundaries of the City of New York, shall be known as the Fifteenth District of Local Improvement.

That portion of the Sixteenth Senatorial District, situated within the boundaries of the City of New York, shall be known as the Sixteenth District of Local Improvement.

That portion of the Seventeenth Senatorial District, situated within the boundaries of the City of New York, shall be known as the Seventeenth District of Local Improvement.

That portion of the Eighteenth Senatorial District, situated within the boundaries of the City of New York, shall be known as the Eighteenth District of Local Improvement.

That portion of the Nineteenth Senatorial District, situated within the boundaries of the City of New York, shall be known as the Nineteenth District of Local Improvement.

That portion of the Twentieth Senatorial District, situated within the boundaries of the City of New York, shall be known as the Twentieth District of Local Improvement.

That portion of the Twenty-first Senatorial District, situated within the boundaries of the City of New York, shall be known as the Twenty-first District of Local Improvement.

—and that portion of the Twenty-second Senatorial District, situated within the limits of the City of New York, as the Twenty-second District of Local Improvement.

Which was referred to Committee on Affairs of Boroughs.

No. 46.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Yorkville Wheelmen to place transparencies upon the unused lamp-post on the northwest corner of Eighty-sixth street and Third avenue, such permission to be continued for two weeks from the date of approval, the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Lighting and Supplies.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies.

No. 47.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Forty-fourth Street Methodist Episcopal Church for transparencies on the following lamp-posts:

Southeast corner of Eighth avenue and Forty-second street,
Southwest corner of Eighth avenue and Forty-fourth street,
Southwest corner of Eighth avenue and Forty-seventh street,
Southwest corner of Ninth avenue and Forty-fourth street,
Northeast corner of Ninth avenue and Forty-second street,
Northeast corner of Ninth avenue and Forty-eighth street,
Northeast corner of Tenth avenue and Forty-fourth street,
Northeast corner of Tenth avenue and Forty-eighth street,

—the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies.

No. 48.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Joseph B. Glenny to place and keep an ornamental lamp-post and lamp in front of No. 76 Fourth avenue, provided the lamp be kept lighted during the same hours as the public lamps, that the post shall not exceed the dimensions prescribed by law (eighteen inches square at the base), the lamp not to exceed two feet in diameter and not to be used for advertising purposes, the work to be done and gas supplied at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies.

No. 49.

Resolved, That the preamble and resolution adopted by the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York on December 28, 1897, and approved by the Mayor on December 30, 1897, whereby the building therein referred to as the Old Hall of Records and Register's Office in the City Hall Park "is dedicated and set aside, as soon as vacated, for the free exhibition of the collection of relics already and hereafter to be acquired by or loaned to the National Historical Museum, under the usual conditions of reversion to the City consequent upon failure on the part of said museum to assume, maintain and enjoy the privileges" thereby granted, be and the same hereby are rescinded and repealed, and all rights and privileges therein or thereby conferred upon the said National Historical Museum with reference to the said Old Hall of Records and Register's Office be and the same hereby are revoked, canceled and annulled.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies.

No. 50.

The President laid before the Council a communication from B. Fernow, asking permission to translate and publish at his own expense certain original Dutch Records.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

No. 51.

By Councilman Murray—

Resolved, That the rooms on the second floor in the Municipal Building (on the southwesterly side thereof), in Crotona Park, Borough of the Bronx, formerly occupied by the Commissioner of Street Improvements, his Deputy Commissioner and Secretary, be and are hereby designated as the rooms and offices of the President of the Borough of the Bronx, his Secretary and the local boards of improvements of the Borough of the Bronx.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies.

No. 52.

By Councilman Williams—

We, the undersigned, a majority of the Republican members of the Council of the Municipal Assembly of the City of New York, representing the Republican party in the said city, being one of the principal parties into which the people of the said city are divided, hereby designate the "Newsletter," a weekly newspaper printed and published in Richmond County, as a newspaper in which shall be published the Laws of the State, as provided by chapter 280 of the Laws of 1845, and the several amendments thereof, as further provided in chapter 141 of the Laws of 1891. The said newspaper is designated under the provision of the act last aforesaid as fairly representing the party to which we belong.

FRANCIS F. WILLIAMS.
ADAM H. LEICH.
CHAS. H. FRANCISCO.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law.

No. 53.

By Councilman McGarry—

AN ORDINANCE in relation to the hours of running cars by the street surface railroad companies in the Borough of Brooklyn, in the City of New York.

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Assembly of the City of New York, as follows:

Section 1. Each railroad company operating its road in the Borough of Brooklyn, in the City of New York, shall run a car for the accommodation of passengers, over each of its routes, from each termination thereof, in said borough, at least once in every hour, between the hours of one A. M. and five A. M. each day.

Sec. 2. Any railroad corporation, or superintendent or manager thereof, violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be liable to a penalty of one hundred dollars for each and every offense.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

No. 54.

By Councilman McGarry—

AN ORDINANCE in relation to smoking on the cars of the railroad companies operating their lines in the Borough of Brooklyn, in the City of New York.

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Assembly of the City of New York, as follows:

Section 1. It shall not be lawful for any person or persons to smoke upon the platforms or inside of any car operated by any railroad company in the Borough of Brooklyn, in the City of New York, except as provided in this section. Such smoking may be permitted upon open surface cars, under such rules and regulations as may be conducive to the comfort of the passengers. During the season of the year when open cars are not run each railroad company operating a street railroad in the Borough of Brooklyn shall, on each of its routes, provide cars in which smoking will be permitted. Such cars must be run at intervals of not less than one in every three cars in the morning between the hours of five and nine, and in the afternoon between the hours of five and seven; and during the remainder of the day at intervals of not less than one in every four cars. Railroad companies operating elevated railroad cars shall provide at the end of each train a car in which smoking will be permitted.

Sec. 2. Any railroad corporation, or superintendent or manager thereof, violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be liable to a penalty of one hundred dollars for each and every offense.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

No. 55.

By Councilman Conly—

Resolved, That A. Warner Shepherd, M. D., be and he is hereby appointed physician at the Kings County Jail.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

No. 56.

By Councilman Doyle—

AN ORDINANCE in relation to the inspection and sealing of weights and measures in the City of New York.

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Assembly of the City of New York, as follows:

Section 1. There shall be in the City of New York ten districts for the sealing and inspection of weights and measures, each of which districts shall correspond to a council district in said city, and shall bear a number, as a district for the sealing and inspection of weights and measures, corresponding to the number of the said council district, as specified in section nineteen of the Greater New York Charter, and the sealers and inspectors of weights and measures who may be appointed for each of the said districts shall be confined to the district for which they may be appointed in the performance of their respective duties.

Sec. 2. There shall be appointed by the Mayor of the City of New York in each of the districts in the preceding section mentioned, an inspector of weights and measures and a sealer of weights and measures, each of whom shall exercise, within the district for which he is appointed, the power and authority hereinafter conferred, and who may be at pleasure removed by the Mayor.

Sec. 3. Each of said inspectors of weights and measures shall, before entering upon the duties of his office, execute to the City of New York a bond, with one or more sufficient sureties to be

approved by the Mayor, in the penal sum of two thousand dollars, conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of his office.

Sec. 4. All persons using weights and measures, scale-beams, patent balances, steelyards, or any other instrument in weighing or measuring any article intended to be purchased or sold in the City of New York, shall cause the same to be sealed and marked by a city sealer of weights and measures in said city.

Sec. 5. Any person who shall, in weighing or measuring any article for purchase or sale within the City of New York, use any weight, measure, scale-beam, patent balance, steelyard or other instrument not sealed and marked as herein required, shall forfeit and pay the sum of fifty dollars for each and every offense.

Sec. 6. All weights, measures, scale-beams, patent balances, steelyards and other instruments for weighing, to be sealed and adjusted by a city sealer of weights and measures in the City of New York, shall be made conformably to the standard of the State, and shall be marked by him, with the initials of his name and the year in which the same shall be sealed and marked.

Sec. 7. If any person shall use in the City of New York, in weighing or measuring as aforesaid, any weight, measure, scale-beam, patent balance, steelyard or other instrument, which shall not be conformable to such standard, or shall use, in weighing as aforesaid, any scale-beam, patent balance, steelyard or other instrument, which shall be out of order or incorrect, or which shall not balance, he, she or they shall forfeit and pay for every such offense the sum of twenty-five dollars.

Sec. 8. It shall be the duty of the inspectors of weights and measures, and each of them is hereby authorized, to inspect and examine at least once in each and every year and as much oftener as he may think proper, all weights, measures, scale-beams, patent balances, steelyards and other instruments used in his district in weighing and measuring as aforesaid.

Sec. 9. No person shall refuse to exhibit any weights, measures, scale-beams, patent balances, steelyards or other instruments to either of said inspectors, for the purpose of being so inspected and examined, under the penalty of twenty-five dollars for every such offense.

Sec. 10. No person shall in any way or manner obstruct, hinder or molest any inspector of weights and measures in the performance of his duties as hereby imposed upon him under a penalty upon every such person of twenty-five dollars for every such offense.

Sec. 11. That said inspectors shall be entitled to demand and receive the following fees for inspecting and examining weights, measures, scale-beams, patent balances, steelyards and other instruments for weighing used in the City of New York, viz.:

For every weight under fourteen pounds, three cents.

For every weight over fourteen pounds, five and a half cents.

For every liquid measure, five cents.

For every yard of dry measure, five cents.

For every scale weighing less than two hundred and fifty pounds, twenty cents.

For every scale weighing over two hundred and fifty pounds, fifty cents.

All weights, measures, scale-beams, patent balances, steelyards and other instruments used for weighing shall be inspected at the stores and places where the same may be used; but in case they or any of them shall be found not conformable to the standard of this State, they shall be sent by the owner thereof, at his expense, to the office of the sealer of weights and measures in the district, for the purpose of being adjusted and sealed, within three days after the owner thereof shall be required to do so, in writing, by the said inspector, under the penalty of ten dollars for such neglect.

Sec. 12. It shall not be lawful for the said inspectors to make charges for inspecting and examining weights, measures, scale-beams, patent balances, steelyards or other instruments used for weighing more than once in each year, unless they shall be found to be not conformable to the said standard.

Sec. 13. It shall be the duty of each of the said inspectors to make a register of all the weights, measures, scale-beams, patent balances, steelyards and other instruments used for weighing, inspected by him, in which he shall state the names of the owners of the same, and whether they are conformable to the standard of the State.

Sec. 14. It shall also be the duty of the said inspectors to report forthwith to the sealer of weights and measures the names of all persons whose weights, measures, scale-beams, patent balances, steelyards or other instruments used for weighing shall be found to be incorrect.

Sec. 15. It shall also be the duty of the said inspectors of weights and measures, once in every three months, to deliver a copy of the register made or kept by them, as mentioned in section 13 hereof, during the preceding quarter of the year, to the city clerk.

Sec. 16. It shall be the duty of the inspectors of weights and measures and sealers of weights and measures to report forthwith to the corporation counsel the names and places of business of all persons violating this chapter, and of all persons making use of any fraudulent or unsealed weights or measures, gauge or balances.

Sec. 17. It shall not be lawful for the said inspectors or sealers to vend any weights, measures, scale-beams, patent balances, steelyards or other instruments to be used for weighing, or to offer or expose the same for sale in the City of New York, under the penalty of fifty dollars for every such offense.

Sec. 18. The said sealers of weights and measures shall be entitled to demand and receive the following fees for their services:

For sealing and marking every scale-beam, patent balance, steelyard or other instrument used for weighing in the City of New York, twelve and a half cents.

For sealing and marking measures of extension, at the rate of twelve and a half cents per yard, not to exceed fifty cents for any one measure.

For sealing and marking every weight, three cents.

For sealing and marking liquid and dry measures: For every measure under one gallon, three cents; for one gallon and over, twelve and a half cents each.

For sealing and marking every measure of half a bushel, twelve and a half cents; for every measure of two bushels, seventy-five cents, and for every measure of three bushels and over, one dollar.

The said sealers shall also be entitled to a reasonable compensation for making such weights and measures conform to the standard established by law.

Sec. 19. Whenever any sealer of weights and measures shall resign, be removed from office or remove from the city, it shall be the duty of the person so resigning, removing or removed, to deliver at the Mayor's office all the standard beams, weights and measures in his possession.

Sec. 20. All existing ordinances of the former municipal and public corporations within the territory now embraced within the City of New York, in relation to the inspection and sealing of weights and measures, and all other ordinances inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

Sec. 21. The term of office of all inspectors of weights and measures, sealers of weights and measures, and of all officers occupying any office connected with the said inspection or sealing now in office, is hereby terminated, and the said inspectors, sealers and officers shall immediately deliver at the Mayor's office all the standard beams, weights and measures in his or their possession.

Sec. 22. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law.

No. 57.

By Councilman Cassidy—

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Assembly of the City of New York, as follows:

Section 1. The building situated in the Second Ward of the Borough of Queens in the City of New York, which was formerly known and used as the Town Hall of the Town of Newtown, before said town was abolished, and which is located in the hamlet or village heretofore commonly called Newtown Village, on the street therein called Broadway, is hereby assigned as the place for the holding of the sessions of the Municipal Court of the City of New York in and for the Second District of the said Borough of Queens.

Sec. 2. The following rooms within the said building are hereby designated and provided for the use of said Municipal Court for the following purposes respectively:

The main room on the first floor formerly used as a court-room by the late Police Justice of the Town of Newtown shall be the court-room for the said Municipal Court.

The room opposite said court room, formerly the office of the late Town Clerk of the Town of Newtown, shall be the office of the Clerk of said Municipal Court, to be used by him for the keeping of the records of said court and for the other purposes of his official functions.

The office adjacent to said court-room, in the rear thereof, shall be the private room for the use of the Justice of said court.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies.

No. 58.

Councilman Goodwin moved that the Council take a recess of ten minutes to enable the Committee on Law Department to meet and consider an ordinance in relation to the sealing of weights and measures in the City of New York.

Which was adopted.

AFTER RECESS.

PRESENT:

Hon. Randolph Guggenheimer, President.

COUNCILMEN

John T. Oakley,
Vice-Chairman,
Thomas F. Foley,
Martin Engel,
Frank J. Goodwin,
Charles F. Allen,
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David L. Van Nostrand,
Joseph Cassidy,
Joseph F. O'Grady,
Benjamin J. Bodine.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS AND CORPORATION OFFICERS RESUMED.

The President laid before the Council the following communication from the Board of Education:

No. 59.

HALL OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,
NO. 146 GRAND STREET,
NEW YORK, January 13, 1898.

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

I have the honor to transmit herewith a certified copy of a report and resolution adopted by the Board of Education on January 12, 1898, containing the budget for 1898 of that part of the school system contained within the Boroughs of Manhattan and the Bronx.

There is also transmitted the original estimate for 1898, as adopted by the Board of Education on September 15, 1897, which contains the substantial details of the requirements of the school system.

There is also transmitted a revised estimate for 1898, adopted by the Board of Education November 29, 1897, containing amendments, increases and further explanations relative thereto.

Very respectfully,

ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk of the Board of Education.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

[For which see CITY RECORD hereafter.]

The President laid before the Council the following communication from the District Attorney of Kings County:

No. 60.

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE COUNTY OF KINGS,
January 13, 1898.

Departmental estimate of the expenditure required in the above-mentioned office during the year 1898:

Salary of District Attorney	\$10,000 00
Salaries of Assistants	27,000 00
Salaries of Clerks	12,200 00
Salary of Messenger	1,200 00
Salary of Doorman	600 00
Salaries of Stenographers	4,700 00
Salaries of Detectives (12)	14,400 00
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Supplies and Contingencies	\$70,100 00
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	\$80,100 00

J. T. MAREAN, District Attorney of Kings County.

In the Brooklyn tax levy of 1897 there was \$70,000 for the salary account of the District Attorney's office for the current Kings County fiscal year.

There is also an unexpended balance of over \$20,000 of the amount in the 1896 tax levy appropriated to the office for the preceding fiscal year.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The President laid before the Council the following communication from the Department of Docks and Ferries:

No. 61.

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS AND FERRIES,
PIER "A," NORTH RIVER, BATTERY PLACE,
NEW YORK, January 11, 1898.

Hon. RANDOLPH GUGGENHEIMER, President of the Municipal Assembly:

SIR—Under the present arrangement it is costing this Department about \$13,500 per annum for lighting the Recreation Pier at the foot of East Twenty-fourth street, and as the plans for inclosing the building and using it in winter as well as in summer have been approved by the Board, it is estimated that it will cost from \$10,000 to \$12,000 per year for heating the structure.

In order that the building may be maintained as economically as possible, the Department believes it to be for the best interest of the City to establish its own electrical plant on the pier for lighting and heating the premises.

The installation of the plant will cost \$35,000, and for this amount can be obtained the most economical plant possible. A saving in lighting on this building alone will amount to about \$9,000 per year.

The devices that will be needed for lighting, and a great many of those for heating, as well as boilers required, are patented articles, and it would be illegal for this Department to specify them in an advertised contract, consequently we would be restricted to the old types of generators, the patents on which have long since expired, to plain uneconomical cylindrical boilers, and we would entirely fail in being able to obtain modern electrical lamps for lighting purposes.

I have been directed to request your Honorable Board to authorize this Department to incur the necessary expense for the installation of the heating and lighting plants otherwise than by contract.

In addition to the pier at the foot of East Twenty-fourth street, there are now completed and in course of construction four recreation buildings. One at the foot of East Third street, one at the foot of East One Hundred and Twelfth street, one at the foot of Barrow street, and one at the foot of West Fiftieth street, and it is equally desirable that modern appliances for heating and lighting be installed therein.

Councilman Murphy has been asked to introduce a resolution in the Municipal Assembly granting the necessary authorization.

Yours, respectfully,

GEO. S. TERRY, Secretary.

Which was referred to the Committee on Docks and Ferries.

REPORTS.

No. 62.—(G. O. 1.)

The Committee on Law reported in favor of the ordinance introduced by the Vice-Chairman on January 11, 1898, providing for the issuing of licenses in the City of New York with the following amendment. After the word "Assembly" in the last line of section 1 of said ordinance "or now in force in any part." For transcript of ordinance see CITY RECORD of January 13, 1898, page 113.

Which was placed on the list of General Orders.

No. 63.—(G. O. 2.)

Report of the Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, in favor of resolution to assign offices to the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn and Queens, for transcript of which see title page CITY RECORD January 13, 1898.

No. 64.—(G. O. 3.)

Report of Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, in favor of resolution providing for an office and meeting-room for the Board of Public Improvements at No. 346 Broadway, for transcript of which see title page CITY RECORD of January 13, 1898.

No. 65.—(G. O. 4.)

Report of Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, in favor of resolution that Room No. 3, City Hall, be set apart for the use of the Memorial Committee of the Grand Army of the Republic, for transcript of which see title page CITY RECORD of January 13, 1898.

No. 66.—(G. O. 5.)

Report of Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, in favor of an ordinance to provide for the removal of the First Municipal District Court to a place to be hereafter designated by the Municipal Assembly, for transcript of which see CITY RECORD of January 13, 1898, page 110.

No. 67.—(G. O. 6.)

Report of Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, in favor of a resolution designating Room No. 1, in the Municipal Building in the Borough of the Bronx, as an office of the Department of Taxes and Assessments in the Borough of the Bronx, for transcript of which see CITY RECORD of January 13, 1898, page 112.

No. 68.—(G. O. 7.)

Report of Committee on Salaries and Offices, in favor of an ordinance providing for the furnishing of State legislative documents by Thomas V. Costello, for transcript of which see CITY RECORD, January 13, 1898, page 110.

No. 69.—(G. O. 8.)

Report of Committee on Salaries and Offices, in favor of resolution appointing J. McMahon Brown as Physician of the County Jail, for transcript of which see CITY RECORD, January 13, 1898, page 112.

No. 70.—(G. O. 9.)

Report of Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, in favor of resolution rescinding resolution adopted by Board of Aldermen December 28, 1897, designating Old Hall of Records as a museum, for transcript of which see title page of CITY RECORD, January 13, 1898.

No. 71.—(G. O. 10.)

Report of the Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, in favor of the resolution designating a place as a Municipal Court-room for the First District of the Borough of Queens, for transcript of which see CITY RECORD, January 13, 1898, page 112.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS RESUMED.

No. 72.

Councilman Oakley moved that the Committee on Rules be discharged from further consideration of the selection of seats.

Which was adopted unanimously.

No. 73.

Councilman Leich moved that the seats now occupied by the members of the Council be their permanent seats.

Which was adopted.

REPORTS RESUMED.

No. 74.

Report of Committee on Law on paper presented by Councilman McGarry designating the "Brooklyn Eagle" and "Brooklyn Citizen" as the Democratic papers in which the Session Laws shall be published.

The report is as follows:

The Committee on Law, to whom was referred the annexed proposed appointment or designation in favor of the "Brooklyn Eagle" and the "Brooklyn Citizen," respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they believe that in view of the fact that appointments or designations of a similar character have been made, or attempted to be made, by former Boards of Aldermen or of Supervisors in counties now wholly or partly within the City of New York, or by other local legislative or administrative bodies thereof.

They therefore recommend that the opinion of the Corporation Counsel of the City of New York may be had as to the powers and the proper mode of procedure to be adopted by the Municipal Assembly in connection therewith, to the end that a uniformity of procedure may be established in disposing of all matters of a similar nature.

They also respectfully submit the proposed appointments or designations in the amended forms hereto annexed.

NEW YORK, January 20, 1898.

A. C. HOTTENROTH,
FRANCIS J. WILLIAMS,
FRANK J. GOODWIN,
JOHN J. MCGARRY, } Committee.

Which was adopted.

For transcript of paper referred to see CITY RECORD, January 4, 1898, page 16.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

No. 75.

By Councilman Murray—

Resolved, That the space now occupied by the Department of Highways in the Municipal Building of the Borough of the Bronx, viz.: All of the first floor and so much of the second floor as was and is now occupied by the Chief Engineer of Construction, the General Bookkeeper and the Contract Clerk, be hereby assigned permanently to the use of said Department.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies.

No. 76.

By Councilman Doyle—

Resolved, That the Municipal Court for the Fifth District of the Borough of Brooklyn be temporarily located at the Police Court on West Eighth street, near Surf avenue, in the Thirty-first Ward of said Borough.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies.

No. 77.

By the same—

Resolved, That Rooms Nos. Four and Five, on the third floor, City Hall of the Borough of Brooklyn, be assigned to the Department of Correction.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies.

No. 78.

By the President—

Resolved, That the Councilmanic Committee on Rules be and they are hereby respectfully requested to meet in joint session the Aldermanic Committee on Rules, for the purpose of submitting such amendments to the rules as they may deem suitable to their respective houses.

Which was referred to the Committee on Rules.

No. 79.

On motion of the Vice-Chairman, the Council recurred to the order of business of Communications from the Board of Aldermen. The following resolutions were presented:

No. 80.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Frank W. Sanger to parade with horseless carriage, bearing an announcement, through the streets of the City of New York, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Chief of Police; such permission to continue only for ten days subsequent to the Mayor's approval.

Which was adopted.

No. 81.

Resolved, That the ordinances relating to the discharge of fireworks and the placing or hanging of transparencies in the City of New York be and the same are hereby suspended to enable the Chinese residents of New York to discharge fireworks of every description in the territory bounded by the City Hall, Broadway, Grand street and East river, the work to be done and material supplied at their own expense, under the direction of the Chief of Police; such suspension to continue only to January 31, 1898.

Which was adopted.

No. 82.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Literary Union of St. James's Church to place transparencies upon the lamp-posts at James and Madison streets, New Bowery and Madison street, Oliver and Madison streets, Catharine and Madison streets, Catharine and Henry streets, Oliver street and Chatham Square and Pearl and New Chambers streets, the work to be done at its own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies; such permission to continue only for two weeks from the date of approval of his Honor the Mayor.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies.

No. 83.

By Councilman Van Nostrand—

Resolved, That the entire west side of the second floor of the Town Hall, in the Village of Flushing, be assigned to the City Magistrate, for the purpose of holding court in and for the Second and Third Wards of the Second Division of said Court.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies.

At this point the President called the Vice-Chairman to the Chair and the Council then went into Committee of the Whole.

After some time spent in the consideration of Councilmanic business, the Committee of the Whole rose. Councilman McGarry took the chair as Chairman pro tem.

Thereupon the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole reported favorably upon General Orders from 1 to 10 inclusive.

On motion the rules were suspended, and the following papers were presented for final passage:

The Committee on Law, to whom was referred the annexed proposed ordinance to provide for the issuing of Licenses in the City of New York, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed ordinance to be necessary, but that the same should be amended.

They, therefore, recommend that the said proposed ordinance be adopted as amended in the form annexed.

No. 62.—(G. O. 1.)

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the issuing of licenses in the City of New York.

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Assembly of the City of New York, as follows:

Section 1. There shall be a Bureau of Licenses in and for the City of New York attached to the Mayor's office, with a principal office in the City Hall, in the Borough of Manhattan, and a branch office in such other boroughs as may be deemed necessary and be designated by the Mayor of said city, for the purpose of issuing and recording all licenses authorized by resolution or ordinance of the Municipal Assembly or now in force in any part of said city.

Sec. 2. The Bureau of Licenses shall consist of a Chief of said Bureau, with such deputies and assistants as may be found necessary for properly carrying on the work of the Bureau, to be appointed and removed at pleasure by the Mayor of said city, and paid such compensation as shall be fixed and established by said Mayor.

Sec. 3. All licenses issued by the Bureau of Licenses shall be according to an established form, printed with corresponding stub and regularly numbered, with suitable blank spaces for writing in the name and residence of the licensee, kind and class of license, location and privileges

allowed, and amount of fee paid, all properly bound in book form. All such licenses shall be duly classified and recorded in suitable registers and fully indexed.

Sec. 4. All licenses issued by the Bureau of Licenses shall be granted by the Mayor and duly issued upon regular application to the Bureau of Licenses. The registers of licenses shall be public records, and extracts may be certified by the Chief of the Bureau, or the deputy or assistant in charge of a branch office, for use as evidence.

Sec. 5. There shall be kept in the principal office of said Bureau, and each and every branch office thereof, a book recording consecutively each license as issued, showing its kind and class, whether new or renewed, name of licensee, regular number of blank form, and amount of fee received, day by day. A daily report showing all of above details shall be made by each branch office to the principal office. All moneys received each day shall be duly deposited in a designated city depository the following day. There shall also be kept in the principal office of said Bureau a book showing a statement of all licenses issued and fees received by said Bureau and its branches, tabulated by days, months and quarters of the year, and compiled annually.

Sec. 6. All ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent or conflicting herewith are hereby repealed.

Sec. 7. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

NEW YORK, January 20, 1898.

A. C. HOTTENROTH,
FRANK J. GOODWIN,
JOHN J. MCGARRY,
FRANCIS F. WILLIAMS, } Committee
on
Law.

The Chairman pro tem. put the question whether the Council would agree to accept said report and adopt said ordinance.

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote, three-fourths of all the members elected failing to vote in favor thereof:

Affirmative—The Vice-Chairman, Councilmen Allen, Bodine, Brice, Cassidy, Christman, Ebbets, Engel, Foley, French, Goodwin, Hester, Hottenroth, Hyland, McGarry, Murray, O'Grady, Sulzer, Van Nostrand, and Wise—20.

Subsequently, on motion of the Vice-Chairman, the above vote was reconsidered and the paper was restored to the list of General Orders.

No. 63.—(G. O. 2.)

The Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, to whom was referred the annexed resolution, locating the office of the President of the Borough of Manhattan and the office of the President of the Borough of Brooklyn and the office of the President of the Borough of Queens, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed resolution to be necessary.

They therefore recommend that the said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That, pursuant to the authority conferred by section 383 of the Greater New York Charter, the office of the President of the Borough of Manhattan is hereby located in the room known as the Temporary Room; President of the Borough of Manhattan, on the first floor of the City Hall in said Borough, next to the room occupied by the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen; of the President of the Borough of Brooklyn, in the Mayor's office, in Room No. 1, first floor, in the City Hall in said Borough; of the President of the Borough of Queens, in the Mayor's office, Long Island City.

GEO. B. CHRISTMAN,
CHAS. F. ALLEN,
B. J. BODINE,
MARTIN ENGEL,
FRANCIS F. WILLIAMS, } Committee
on Public Buildings,
Lighting and
Supplies.

The Chairman pro tem. put the question whether the Council would agree to accept said report and adopt said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Vice-Chairman, Councilmen Allen, Bodine, Brice, Cassidy, Christman, Conly, Doyle, Ebbets, Engel, Foley, Francisco, French, Goodwin, Hester, Hottenroth, Hyland, Leich, McGarry, Murray, O'Grady, Sulzer, Van Nostrand, Williams, and Wise—25.

No. 64.—(G. O. 3.)

The Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, to whom was referred the annexed resolution to authorize the Board of Commissioners of the Sinking Fund to execute a lease of certain rooms at No. 346 Broadway, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed resolution necessary.

They therefore recommend that the said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That, pursuant to section 412 of the Greater New York Charter, provision is hereby made for an office and a meeting room in the Borough of Manhattan, for the Board of Public Improvements of the City of New York, at No. 346 Broadway, Rooms from Nos. 1129 to 1137, and the Board of Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York are authorized to execute a lease of said premises for a term of three (3) years upon such terms as to them may be satisfactory.

GEO. B. CHRISTMAN,
CHAS. F. ALLEN,
MARTIN ENGEL,
FRANCIS F. WILLIAMS,
B. J. BODINE, } Committee
on Public Buildings,
Lighting and
Supplies.

The Chairman pro tem. put the question whether the Council would agree to accept said report and adopt said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Vice-Chairman, Councilmen Allen, Bodine, Brice, Cassidy, Christman, Conly, Doyle, Ebbets, Engel, Foley, Francisco, French, Goodwin, Hester, Hottenroth, Hyland, McGarry, Murray, O'Grady, Sulzer, Van Nostrand, Williams, and Wise—24.

Negative—Councilman Leich—1.

No. 65.—(G. O. 4.)

The Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, to whom was referred the annexed resolution setting apart Room No. 3 of the basement of the City Hall for the use of the Memorial Committee of the Grand Army of the Republic of the City of New York, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed ordinance to be necessary.

They therefore recommend that the said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That Room No. 3 of the basement of the City Hall be and the same is hereby set apart for the use of the Memorial Committee of the Grand Army of the Republic of the City of New York, and the Commissioner of Lighting and Supplies is hereby respectfully requested to arrange for suitably furnishing said Room No. 3, if not already done.

GEO. B. CHRISTMAN,
FRANCIS F. WILLIAMS,
MARTIN ENGEL,
B. J. BODINE,
CHAS. F. ALLEN, } Committee
on Public Buildings,
Lighting and
Supplies.

The Chairman pro tem. put the question whether the Council would agree to accept said report and adopt said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative, by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Vice-Chairman, Councilmen Allen, Bodine, Brice, Cassidy, Christman, Conly, Doyle, Ebbets, Engel, Foley, French, Goodwin, Hester, Hottenroth, Hyland, Leich, McGarry, Murray, O'Grady, Sulzer, Van Nostrand, and Wise—23.

No. 66.—(G. O. 5.)

The Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, to whom was referred the annexed resolution and ordinance for the removal of the First Municipal District Court within the First Judicial District, to be hereafter designated by the Municipal Assembly, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed ordinance and resolution to be necessary.

They therefore recommend that the said resolution and ordinance be adopted.

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the removal of the First Municipal District Court to a place within the First Judicial District to be hereafter designated by the Municipal Assembly.

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Assembly of the City of New York, as follows:

Section 1. Whereas, A resolution was adopted by the Board of Aldermen on the 21st day of September, 1897, and approved by the Mayor on the 24th day of September, 1897, authorizing certain alterations in the building known as the Old City Hall, and transferring the City Court and its attachments from the Old City Hall to the Brownstone Building in the City Hall Park; and

Whereas, The voluminous business of the City Court requires for the proper discharge thereof all the facilities that can be obtained in the said Brownstone Building in the City Hall Park; therefore it is necessary that the entire building be set apart for the sole use of the said City Court; therefore be it

Sec. 2. Ordained, That, in accordance with the provisions of section 54 of the Greater New York Charter, the First Municipal District Court, which occupies the second floor of said Brownstone Building, be and the same is hereby removed to a place within the First Judicial District to be hereafter designated by the Municipal Assembly.

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

Sec. 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

GEO. B. CHRISTMAN,
CHAS. F. ALLEN,
B. J. BODINE,
MARTIN ENGEL,
FRANCIS F. WILLIAMS,

Committee on
Public Buildings,
Lighting and
Supplies.

The Chairman pro tem. put the question whether the Council would agree to accept said report and adopt said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Vice-Chairman, Councilmen Allen, Bodine, Brice, Cassidy, Christman, Conly, Doyle, Ebbets, Engel, Foley, French, Goodwin, Hester, Hottenroth, Hyland, Leich, McGarry, Murray, O'Grady, Sulzer, Van Nostrand, Williams, and Wise—24.

No. 67.—(G. O. 6.)

The Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of designating Room No. 1 in the Municipal Building, in the Borough of the Bronx, as an office of the Department of Taxes and Assessments in said Borough, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed resolution to be necessary. They therefore recommend that the said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That Room No. 1, located on the first floor, on the southwesterly side (adjoining the entrance), in the Municipal Building, in the Borough of the Bronx, is hereby designated as an office of the Department of Taxes and Assessments in the Borough of the Bronx.

GEO. B. CHRISTMAN,
FRANCIS F. WILLIAMS,
MARTIN ENGEL,
B. J. BODINE,
CHAS. F. ALLEN,

Committee on
Public Buildings,
Lighting and
Supplies.

The Chairman pro tem. put the question whether the Council would agree to accept said report and adopt said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Vice-Chairman, Councilmen Allen, Bodine, Brice, Christman, Conly, Doyle, Ebbets, Engel, Foley, Francisco, French, Goodwin, Hester, Hottenroth, Hyland, Leich, McGarry, O'Grady, Sulzer, Van Nostrand, Williams, and Wise—23.

No. 68.—(G. O. 7.)

The Committee on Salaries and Offices, to whom was referred the annexed ordinance in favor of authorizing Thomas V. Costello to furnish the Municipal Assembly with printed State legislative documents, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they believe the said Thomas V. Costello should be employed to furnish the necessary documents; they therefore recommend that the said ordinance be adopted.

AN ORDINANCE providing for the furnishing of printed State legislative documents, for the use of Members of the Municipal Assembly, by Thomas V. Costello.

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Assembly of the City of New York, as follows:

That Thomas V. Costello be and he is hereby employed to furnish, for the use of Members of the Municipal Assembly, copies of all bills, documents and printed matter introduced in the Legislature of this State particularly affecting public interests in the City of New York, at the rate of compensation paid for like services in former years, viz., fifty dollars (\$50) for the session of the Legislature of 1898.

STEWART M. BRICE,
JNO. T. OAKLEY,
CHARLES H. EBBETS,
ADAM H. LEICH,
A. C. HOTTENROTH,

Committee on
Salaries and Offices.

The Chairman pro tem. put the question whether the Council would agree to accept said report and adopt said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Vice-Chairman, Councilmen Allen, Bodine, Brice, Cassidy, Christman, Conly, Ebbets, Foley, Francisco, French, Goodwin, Hester, Hottenroth, Hyland, Leich, McGarry, Murray, O'Grady, Sulzer, Van Nostrand, Williams, and Wise—23.

No. 69.—(G. O. 8.)

The Committee on Salaries and Offices, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of appointing J. McMahon Brown as physician to the County Jail, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed appointment should be made. They therefore recommend that the said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That J. McMahon Brown, M. D., of No. 213 East Sixty-ninth street, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, a physician duly authorized to practice medicine in the State of New York, be and he is hereby appointed as Physician to the County Jail for the County of New York in the place and stead of Herman Hackelberg, M. D.

STEWART M. BRICE,
JNO. T. OAKLEY,
CHARLES H. EBBETS,
A. C. HOTTENROTH,

Committee on
Salaries and Offices.

The Chairman pro tem. put the question whether the Council would agree to accept said report and adopt said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Vice-Chairman, Councilmen Allen, Bodine, Brice, Cassidy, Christman, Conly, Doyle, Ebbets, Engel, Foley, French, Goodwin, Hart, Hester, Hottenroth, Hyland, McGarry, Murray, O'Grady, Sulzer, Van Nostrand, and Wise—23.

Negative—Councilman Leich—1.

No. 70.—(G. O. 9.)

The Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, to whom was referred the annexed resolution and ordinance rescinding and repealing certain rights and privileges conferred upon the National Historical Museum, with reference to the Old Hall of Records and Register's Office, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed resolution should be adopted. They therefore recommend that the said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That the preamble and resolution adopted by the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York on December 28, 1897, and approved by the Mayor on December 30, 1897, whereby the building therein referred to as the Old Hall of Records and Register's Office in the City Hall Park "is dedicated and set aside, as soon as vacated, for the free exhibition of the collection of relics already and hereafter to be acquired by or loaned to the National Historical Museum, under the usual conditions of reversion to the City consequent upon failure on the part of said museum to assume, maintain and enjoy the privileges" thereby granted, be and the same hereby are rescinded and repealed, and all rights and privileges therein or thereby conferred upon the said National Historical Museum with reference to the said Old Hall of Records and Register's Office be and the same hereby are revoked, canceled and annulled.

GEO. B. CHRISTMAN,
CHAS. F. ALLEN,
B. J. BODINE,
MARTIN ENGEL,
FRANCIS F. WILLIAMS,

Committee on
Public Buildings,
Lighting and
Supplies.

The Chairman pro tem. put the question whether the Council would agree to accept said report and adopt said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Vice-Chairman, Councilmen Allen, Brice, Cassidy, Christman, Conly, Doyle, Ebbets, Foley, Francisco, French, Goodwin, Hester, Hottenroth, Hyland, Leich, McGarry, Murray, O'Grady, Sulzer, Van Nostrand, Williams, and Wise—23.

No. 71.—(G. O. 10.)

The Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, to whom was referred the annexed resolution and ordinance, designating a place as a Municipal Court-room for the First District of the Borough of Queens, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed resolution and ordinance to be necessary.

They therefore recommend that the said resolution and ordinance be adopted.

Resolved, By the Municipal Assembly of the City of New York as follows:

That the third floor of building known as Hackett's Building, recently occupied by the General Improvement Commission of Long Island City, situated at corner of Jackson avenue and

Fifth street, be and the same is hereby designated to be used by and as a Municipal Court-room for the First District of the Borough of Queens of City of New York.

GEO. B. CHRISTMAN,
B. J. BODINE,
MARTIN ENGEL,
FRANCIS F. WILLIAMS,
CHAS. F. ALLEN,

Committee on
Public Buildings,
Lighting and
Supplies.

Which was recommended to the Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies. Councilman Goodwin moved that the Council do now adjourn.

Which was adopted.

And the Chairman pro tem. declared that the Council stood adjourned until Tuesday, January 25, at 1 o'clock P. M.

P. J. SCULLY, Clerk.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

STATED MEETING.

TUESDAY, January 18, 1898,
1 o'clock P. M.

The Board met in Room , City Hall.

PRESENT:

Hon. Thomas F. Woods, President.

ALDERMEN

William H. Gledhill,
Vice-President,
Jacob D. Ackerman,
James J. Bridges,
John L. Burleigh,
George A. Burrell,
Francis J. Byrne,
Jeremiah Cronin,
John Diemer,
Matthew E. Dooley,
Frank Dunn,
James F. Elliott,
Frederick F. Fleck,
Joseph A. Flinn,
Homer Folks,
James E. Gaffney,
Frank Gass,
John S. Geagan,
Henry Geiger,
Joseph Geirer,

Bernard Glick,
Elias Goodman,
Dennis J. Harrington,
James P. Hart,
Elias Helgans,
Frank Hennessy,
William T. James,
Patrick H. Keahon,
William Keegan,
Jeremiah Kennefick,
Francis P. Kenney,
John P. Koch,
John T. Lang,
Michael Ledwith,
John T. McCall,
Thomas F. McCaul,
Edward F. McEneaney,
Lawrence W. McGrath,
James H. McInness,

Stephen W. McKeever,
Hector McNeil,
Charles Metzger,
Louis Minsky,
Robert Muh,
Emil Neufeld,
Joseph Oatman,
John S. Roddy,
Bernard Schmitt,
William F. Schneider, Jr.,
Edward S. Scott,
Henry Sief-e,
James J. Smith,
David S. Stewart,
John J. Vaughan, Jr.,
Jacob J. Velton,
Joseph E. Welling,
William Wentz,
Collin H. Woodward.

The minutes of the last meeting were read, and pending the reading Alderman Goodman presented the following:

Resolved, That the minutes of the last Aldermanic session be and they are hereby corrected by adding on page 89, immediately following the resolution offered by Alderman Muh, the following:

"Alderman Goodman moved that the foregoing resolution, together with the Message from his Honor the Mayor, be and the same are referred to the Committee on Buildings, Lighting and Supplies.

"Which was decided in the negative."

The President then put the question on the resolution of Alderman Muh.

Which was adopted.

Alderman Muh moved that the further reading of the minutes be dispensed with and that they be approved as amended and printed.

Alderman Stewart raised the point of order that under Rule II. the minutes should be read to the end.

The President declared that the point of order was well taken.

Subsequently the attention of the Board was called to the punctuation of Rule II., and the motion of Alderman Muh was adopted.

At the request of Alderman McInness, his name was added to the signatures on the report of the Committee on Rules.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS.

By the President—

AN ORDINANCE in relation to the inspection and sealing of weights and measures in the City of New York.

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Assembly of the City of New York, as follows:

Section 1. There shall be in the City of New York ten districts for the sealing and inspection of weights and measures, each of which districts shall correspond to a council district in said city, and shall bear a number, as a district for the sealing and inspection of weights and measures, corresponding to the number of the said council district, as specified in section 19 of the Greater New York Charter, and the sealers and inspectors of weights and measures who may be appointed for each of the said districts shall be confined to the district for which they may be appointed in the performance of their respective duties.

Sec. 2. There shall be appointed by the Mayor of the City of New York in each of the districts in the preceding section mentioned an inspector of weights and measures and a sealer of weights and measures, each of whom shall exercise within the district for which he is appointed the power and authority hereinafter conferred, and who may be at pleasure removed by the Mayor.

Sec. 3. Each of said inspectors of weights and measures shall, before entering upon the duties of his office, execute to the City of New York a bond with one or more sufficient sureties, to be approved by the Mayor, in the penal sum of two thousand dollars, conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of his office.

Sec. 4. All persons using weights and measures, scale-beams, patent balances, steelyards or any other instrument in weighing or measuring any article intended to be purchased or sold in the City of New York, shall cause the same to be sealed and marked by a city sealer of weights and measures in said city.

Sec. 5. Any person who shall, in weighing or measuring any article for purchase or sale within the City of New York, use any weight, measure, scale-beam, patent balance, steelyard or other instrument not sealed and marked as herein required, shall forfeit and pay the sum of fifty dollars for each and every offense.

Sec. 6. All weights, measures, scale-beams, patent balances, steelyards and other instruments for weighing, to be sealed and adjusted by a city sealer of weights and measures in the City of New York, shall be made conformably to the standard of the State, and shall be marked by him, with the initials of his name and the year in which the same shall be sealed and marked.

Sec. 7. If any person shall use in the City of New York, in weighing or measuring as aforesaid, any weight, measure, scale-beam, patent balance, steelyard or other instrument, which shall not be conformable to such standard, or shall use, in weighing as aforesaid, any scale-beam, patent balance, steelyard or other instrument, which shall be out of order or incorrect, or which shall not balance, he, she or they shall forfeit and pay for every such offense the sum of twenty-five dollars.

Sec. 8. It shall be the duty of the inspectors of weights and measures, and each of them is hereby authorized, to inspect and examine at least once in each and every year, and as much oftener as he may think proper, all weights, measures, scale-beams, patent balances, steelyards and other instruments used in his district in weighing and measuring as aforesaid.

Sec. 9. No person shall refuse to exhibit any weights, measures, scale-beams, patent balances, steelyards or other instruments to either of said inspectors, for the purpose of being so inspected and examined, under the penalty of twenty-five dollars for every such offense.

Sec. 10. No person shall in any way or manner obstruct, hinder or molest any inspector of weights and measures in the performance of his duties as hereby imposed upon him, under a penalty upon every such person of twenty-five dollars for every such offense.

Sec. 11. The said inspectors shall be entitled to demand and receive the following fees for inspecting and examining weights, measures, scale-beams, patent balances, steelyards and other instruments for weighing used in the City of New York, viz.:

For every weight under fourteen pounds, three cents.

For every weight over fourteen pounds, five and a half cents.

For every liquid measure, five cents.

For every yard of dry measure, five cents.

For every scale weighing less than two hundred and fifty pounds, twenty cents.

For every scale weighing over two hundred and fifty pounds, fifty cents.

All weights, measures, scale-beams, patent balances, steelyards and other instruments used for weighing shall be inspected at the stores and places where the same may be used, but in case they or any of them shall be found not conformable to the standard of this State, they shall be sent by the owner thereof, at his expense, to the office of the sealer of weights and measures in the district, for the purpose of being adjusted and sealed, within three days after the owner thereof shall be required to do so, in writing, by the said inspector, under the penalty of ten dollars for such neglect.

Sec. 12. It shall not be lawful for the said inspectors to make charges for inspecting and examining weights, measures, scale-beams, patent balances, steelyards or other instruments used for weighing more than once in each year, unless they shall be found to be not conformable to the said standard.

Sec. 13. It shall be the duty of each of the said inspectors to make a register of all the weights, measures, scale-beams, patent balances, steelyards and other instruments used for weighing, inspected by him, in which he shall state the names of the owners of the same, and whether they are conformable to the standard of the State.

Sec. 14. It shall also be the duty of the said inspectors to report forthwith to the sealer of weights and measures the names of all persons whose weights, measures, scale-beams, patent balances, steelyards or other instruments used for weighing shall be found to be incorrect.

Sec. 15. It shall also be the duty of the said inspectors of weights and measures, once in every three months, to deliver a copy of the register made or kept by them, as mentioned in section 13 hereof, during the preceding quarter of the year, to the city clerk.

Sec. 16. It shall be the duty of the inspectors of weights and measures and sealers of weights and measures to report forthwith to the corporation counsel the names and places of business of all persons violating this chapter, and of all persons making use of any fraudulent or unsealed weights or measures, gauge or balances.

Sec. 17. It shall not be lawful for the said inspectors or sealers to vend any weights, measures, scale beams, patent balances, steelyards or other instruments to be used for weighing, or to offer or expose the same for sale in the City of New York, under the penalty of fifty dollars for every such offense.

Sec. 18. The said sealers of weights and measures shall be entitled to demand and receive the following fees for their services:

For sealing and marking every scale-beam, patent balance, steel-yard or other instrument used for weighing in the City of New York, twelve and one-half cents.

For sealing and marking measures of extension, at the rate of twelve and one-half cents per yard, not to exceed fifty cents for any one measure.

For sealing and marking every weight, three cents.

For sealing and marking liquid and dry measures, for every measure under one gallon, three cents; for one gallon and over, twelve and one-half cents each.

For sealing and marking every measure of half a bushel, twelve and one-half cents; for every measure of two bushels, seventy-five cents, and for every measure of three bushels and over, one dollar.

The said sealers shall also be entitled to a reasonable compensation for making such weights and measures conform to the standard established by law.

Sec. 19. Whenever any sealer of weights and measures shall resign, be removed from office, or remove from the city it shall be the duty of the person so resigning, removing or removed, to deliver at the Mayor's office all the standard beams, weights and measures in his possession.

Sec. 20. All existing ordinances of the former municipal and public corporations within the territory now embraced within the City of New York, in relation to their sepection and sealing of weights and measures, and all other ordinances inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

Sec. 21. The term of office of all inspectors of weights and measures, sealers of weights and measures, and of all officers occupying any office connected with the said inspection or sealing now in office is hereby terminated, and the said inspectors, sealers and officers, shall immediately deliver at the Mayor's office all the standard beams, weights and measures in his or their possession.

Sec. 22. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law Department.

(G. O. 2.)

By Alderman Cronin, a resolution permitting the Literary Union of St. James's Church to place transparencies on certain lamp-posts.

Which was laid over.

By Alderman Fleck—

Resolved, That Thomas V. Costello be and he is hereby employed to furnish, for the use of members of the Municipal Assembly, copies of all bills, documents and printed matter introduced in the Legislature of this State, particularly affecting public interests in the City of New York, at the rate of compensation paid for like services in former years, viz.: fifty dollars (\$50) for the session of the Legislature of 1898.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

By Alderman Gaffney—

Resolved, That the Department of Docks be and are hereby authorized and instructed to furnish the new recreation pier at the foot of Twenty-fourth street, East river, with an electrical plant for the purpose of lighting and heating said pier, without public letting, at a cost not to exceed thirty-five thousand dollars.

Which was referred to the Committee on Docks and Ferries.

(G. O. 3.)

By Alderman Geagan, a resolution permitting Chinese residents to place transparencies and discharge fireworks in certain territories.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 4.)

By Alderman Geagan, a resolution permitting Frank W. Sanger to parade with horseless carriages.

Which was laid over.

By Alderman Woodward—

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to place a telephone in the room set apart for the members of the Board of Aldermen adjoining the Aldermanic Chamber on the second floor of the City Hall.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies.

By Alderman Geiger—

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to supply the office of the Board of Aldermen with sixty-two copies of the Greater New York Charter and such amendments thereto as may be passed later by the present State Legislature, for the use of the members of this Board and the office of the Clerk thereof.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies.

By Alderman Hennessy—

AN ORDINANCE in relation to smoking on the cars of the railroad companies operating their lines in the Borough of Brooklyn in the City of New York.

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Assembly of the City of New York, as follows:

Section 1. It shall not be lawful for any person or persons to smoke upon the platforms or inside of any car operated by any railroad company in the Borough of Brooklyn in the City of New York, except as provided in this section. Such smoking may be permitted upon open surface cars under such rules and regulations as may be conducive to the comfort of the passengers. During the season of the year when open cars are not run, each railroad company operating a street railroad in the Borough of Brooklyn shall, on each of its routes, provide cars in which smoking will be permitted. Such cars must be run at intervals of not less than one in every three cars in the morning between the hours of five and nine, and in the afternoon between the hours of five and seven, and during the remainder of the day at intervals of not less than one in every four cars. Railroad companies operating elevated railroad cars shall provide, at the end of each train, a car in which smoking will be permitted.

Sec. 2. Any railroad corporation, or superintendent or manager thereof, violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be liable to a penalty of one hundred dollars for each and every offense.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

By the same—

AN ORDINANCE in relation to the hours of running cars by the street surface railroad companies in the Borough of Brooklyn, in the City of New York.

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Assembly of the City of New York, as follows:

Section 1. Each railroad company operating its road in the Borough of Brooklyn, in the City of New York, shall run a car for the accommodation of passengers over each of its routes, from each termination thereof, in said borough, at least once in every hour between the hours of 1 A. M. and 5 A. M. each day.

Sec. 2. Any railroad corporation, or superintendent or manager thereof, violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be liable to a penalty of one hundred dollars for each and every offense.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

By Alderman Velton—

AN ORDINANCE to compel street surface railroads of Brooklyn to place smoking-cars on their lines for the benefit of citizens.

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Assembly as follows:

Section 1. On and after March 1, 1898, each and every street surface railroad company operating cars in the Borough of Brooklyn shall place and keep upon their lines cars for the accommodation of smokers, and to that end every fourth car dispatched from any terminus or termini, station or stations, of said Brooklyn street surface railroad companies shall be a car fitted up for the use and accommodation of smokers.

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

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

By Alderman Roddy—

Whereas, The running of horse-cars upon four tracks upon Amsterdam avenue, covering some thirty-five of the sixty feet of the width of that avenue, between Seventy-second and One Hundred and Twenty-fifth streets, is a detriment to that thoroughfare and neighborhood, and the threatened conversion of the four lines of horse-cars into electric or other rapidly moving cars will greatly increase the danger to pedestrians and result in certain loss of life and limb, especially among the school children who throng that avenue four times a day; and

Whereas, There are six great water-mains underlying the avenue, carrying half the water supply of the city to the reservoirs in Central Park (see attached illustration), and the safe keeping and repairing of such mains being very difficult or well nigh impossible with four heavy yoked trolley tracks upon the avenue; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Corporation Counsel be and hereby is directed to take all possible legal steps to safeguard Amsterdam avenue, and induce or compel the two rival companies to use the two central tracks jointly; also to report back to this Body as speedily as possible what steps can be taken by it to prevent the running of four lines of electric or other rapidly moving cars upon Amsterdam avenue.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law Department.

By Alderman Muh—

Resolved, That the Aldermanic Committee on Rules be and they are hereby respectfully requested to meet in joint session the Councilmanic Committee on Rules, for the purpose of submitting such amendments to the rules as they may deem suitable to their respective houses.

Which was referred to the Committee on Rules.

By the President—

Resolved, That the following-named persons be and they hereby are appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City of New York:

Stephen Philbin, No. 139 West Seventy-sixth street.

Howard M. Field, No. 309 Manhattan avenue, Brooklyn.

Charles J. Pasfield, No. 175 Broadway, Brooklyn.

Lowell V. Brown, No. 168 Montague street, Brooklyn.

Louis J. Altkrug, No. 280 Broadway, New York.

Charles Kroeck, Jr., No. 979 Lafayette avenue, Brooklyn.

William J. Bogenschutz, Sheriff's office, Brooklyn.

O. J. Waldron, No. 1113 Bedford avenue, Brooklyn.

Edwin H. Stone, No. 1128 Bedford avenue, Brooklyn.

George Gue, No. 22 Butler street, Brooklyn.

Morris Cohen, No. 222 DeKalb avenue, Brooklyn.

Nancy Gue, No. 397 Union street, Brooklyn.

James McNamara, No. 61 Lawrence street, Brooklyn.

Henry J. Pick, No. 310 East One Hundred and Twenty-first street, New York.

Felix H. Levy, No. 32 Liberty street, New York.

E. L. Sharrott, corner of Linwood street and Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn.

Mayer C. Goldman, No. 132 Nassau street, New York.

Patrick J. Sweeney.

John R. Salmon.

By Alderman Kennefick—

Resolved, That Bertram Kraus, No. 164 East One Hundred and Eighteenth street, be and he hereby is appointed Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City of New York.

By the same—

Resolved, That Samuel L. Eisner, No. 2213 Fifth avenue, be and he is hereby appointed Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City of New York.

By the same—

Resolved, That Joseph F. Mulqueen, No. 253 Broadway, be and he hereby is appointed Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City of New York.

By the same—

Resolved, That the following-named persons be and they hereby are appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City of New York:

Wyllis Benedict, No. 140 Broadway, resides No. 56 West Thirty-fifth street.

George H. Davis, room 806, No. 1 Madison avenue, resides No. 969 Park avenue.

Frederick Wherum, room 806, No. 1 Madison avenue, resides No. 1199 Park avenue.

Max Adams, No. 140 Broadway, resides No. 355 West Fifty-third street.

By the same—

Resolved, That T. F. Dillon, of No. 150 Nassau street, be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City of New York.

By the same—

Resolved, That Matthew J. Stripp, No. 9 Watts street, be and he is hereby appointed Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City of New York.

By Alderman Welling—

Resolved, That Edward J. Healey, No. 8 Grove street, and William R. Boenke, No. 309 Broadway, be and they hereby are appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City of New York.

By Alderman Fleck—

Resolved, That James J. Gaw, No. 58 Prince street, and John J. Conklin, No. 41 Spring street, be and they hereby are appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City of New York.

By Alderman Smith—

Resolved, That the following-named persons be and they hereby are appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City of New York:

Daniel F. Leahy, No. 400 Cherry street.

Henry Silverstone, No. 316 Broome street.

By Alderman Muh—

Resolved, That Adolph Kiel be and he hereby is appointed Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City of New York.

By Alderman Gaffney—

Resolved, That John Seitz, No. 330 East Twenty-fifth street, be and he hereby is appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City of New York.

By Alderman Geagan—

Resolved, That C. D. Jones, No. 36 West One Hundred and Thirty-second street, be and he hereby is appointed Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City of New York.

By Alderman Woodward—

Resolved, That Emil Friend, No. 383 St. Nicholas avenue, be and he is hereby appointed Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City of New York.

By Alderman McEneaney—

Resolved, That Charles I. White be and he is hereby appointed Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City of New York.

By Alderman Oatman—

Resolved, That John Miller, Jr., of No. 753 Seventh avenue, Borough of Manhattan, be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City of New York.

By Alderman Berrell—

Resolved, That George F. Crombie, of No. 2156 Fifth avenue, be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City of New York.

By Alderman Goodman—

Resolved, That the following-named persons be and they are hereby appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City of New York, to wit:

Solon J. Rieser, No. 93 Nassau street.

Henry T. Pick, No. 310 East One Hundred and Twenty-first street.

William R. Wood, No. 130 West Sixty-fifth street.

Garnis E. Baker, No. 2029 Lexington avenue.

Josiah T. Lovejoy, No. 140 Nassau street.

By the same—

Resolved, That Henry P. McGown, of No. 1982 Madison avenue, and Ferdinand Holberg, of No. 1772 Madison avenue, be and they are hereby reappointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City of New York.

By Alderman McGrath—

Resolved, That David Andre L'Esperance, Jr., No. 2060 Madison avenue, be and he hereby is appointed Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City of New York.

By Alderman Geiger—

Resolved, That Daniel Sherry, Hall place and One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, be and he hereby is appointed Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City of New York.

By the same—

Resolved, That the following-named persons be and they hereby are appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City of New York:

William F. Burroughs, No. 1038 Woodruff street, New York.
Charles A. Hesch, No. 643 East One Hundred and Sixty-second street, New York.
George E. Field, No. 1778 Topping street, New York.

By Alderman Burleigh—

Resolved, That Frederick R. Bellamy, Isaac N. Sievwright and Fabie Berkeley, be and they hereby are appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City of New York.

By the same—

Resolved, That Jacob H. Walters and Arthur C. Salmon be and they hereby are appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City of New York.

By Alderman Stewart—

Resolved, That the following-named persons be and they hereby are appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City of New York:

Sidney L. Rowland, No. 685 Myrtle avenue, Brooklyn.
Stephen M. Hoye, No. 189 Montague street, Brooklyn.
Edward S. Somerville, No. 189 Montague street, Brooklyn.
James A. Sheehan, No. 189 Montague street, Brooklyn.
William J. Powell, No. 189 Montague street, Brooklyn.
William L. Kenedy, No. 189 Montague street, Brooklyn.
Francis G. Coates, Nos. 27 and 29 Pine street, New York.

By Alderman Kenney—

Resolved, That M. J. Egan, No. 309 Broadway, and John J. McFadden, be and they hereby are appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City of New York.

By Alderman Byrne—

Resolved, That Z. A. Lowrey be and he hereby is appointed Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City of New York.

By Alderman Ackerman—

Resolved, That the following-named persons be and they hereby are appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City of New York:

G. E. Simonson, No. 95 Hancock street, Brooklyn.
Jabez M. Lyle, No. 1550 Fulton street, Brooklyn.
Frederick M. Dunn, No. 208 Lexington avenue, Brooklyn.
Francis Stockton McDivitt, No. 22 Schermerhorn street, Brooklyn.
G. Hunter Lack, No. 22 Schermerhorn street, Brooklyn.
John J. Hawes, No. 291A Halsey street, Brooklyn.
Edward L. Stryker, No. 302 Tompkins avenue, Brooklyn.
Peter J. Young, No. 1562 Fulton street, Brooklyn.
Effingham L. Holywell, Nos. 4 and 5 Court Square, Brooklyn.
Peter C. Puels, No. 398 Gates avenue, Brooklyn.
John H. Perry, No. 356 Quincy street, Brooklyn.

By the President—

Ernest E. Bache, No. 877 Trinity avenue, Manhattan.

By Alderman Glick—

James S. Wilner, No. 156 Sixteenth street, Brooklyn.
John A. Thompson, No. 434 Clermont avenue, Brooklyn.
Peter L. Jones, No. 411 Bleecker street, Manhattan.

By Alderman Fleck—

Charles L. Greenhall, No. 179 East Ninety-fifth street, Manhattan.
J. Silberman, No. 99 Chrystie street, Manhattan.
Francis Ficks, No. 6 St. Mark's place, Manhattan.
William Erbe, No. 55 Second avenue, Manhattan.

By Alderman Koch—

John M. Cooper, No. 77 Seventh street, Manhattan.

By the Vice-President—

John O'Dwyer, No. 245 Broadway, Manhattan.
Frank Donnatini, No. 412 Eighth avenue, Manhattan.

By Alderman Metzger—

Daniel A. Gaffney, No. 542 Tenth avenue, Manhattan.

By Alderman Muh—

Herman Vogel, No. 150 Nassau street, Manhattan.

By Alderman Harrington—

A. H. Ruck, No. 910 Ninth avenue, Manhattan.

By Alderman Ledwith—

Peter J. Shields, No. 339 East Forty-third street, Manhattan.

By Alderman McEneaney—

Emanuel Castka, No. 1360 First avenue, Manhattan.

By Alderman Geiger—

Thos. Garrett Fennell, No. 61 Park Row, Manhattan.

By Alderman Gass—

Vincent P. Donibee, No. 203 Broadway, Manhattan.
Hans C. Winther, No. 518 Sixteenth street, Brooklyn.

By Alderman Burleigh—

Thomas E. Pearsall, William E. Taylor, Jr., Isaac M. Kapper,
Frederick L. Pearsall, William D. Farrington, Herman Blumenan,
Ambrose B. Tremaine, Harris M. Pearsall, Levi Blumenan,
William H. Jennings,

By Alderman Diemer—

Benjamin Hammill, No. 37A Tompkins avenue, Brooklyn.
H. C. Karpenstein, No. 155 Vernon avenue, Brooklyn.
Thomas Leslie, No. 160 Tompkins avenue, Brooklyn.
Charles Reinhardt, No. 756 Flushing avenue, Brooklyn.

By Alderman Keegan—

John D. Snediker, No. 109 Park place, Brooklyn.
Edwin L. Snediker, No. 109 Park place, Brooklyn.
Francis Russ, No. 242 Vernon avenue, Brooklyn.
W. H. De Esterre, No. 236 Meserole street, Brooklyn.
Philip Schnell, No. 370 Evergreen avenue, Brooklyn.
William J. McLoughlin, No. 189 Duffield street, Brooklyn.
James A. Connolly, No. 129 Vanderbilt avenue, Brooklyn.
Z. A. Lowry, No. 585 Vanderbilt avenue, Brooklyn.
Francis J. Byrne, No. 90 Clermont avenue, Brooklyn.

By Alderman Hennessey—

George W. Dredger, No. 335 Keap street, Brooklyn.
John B. Meyerborg, No. 49 Court street, Brooklyn.
John B. Meyerborg, Jr., No. 49 Court street, Brooklyn.
Francis J. Byrne, No. 90 Clermont avenue, Brooklyn.

By Alderman McKeever—

E. T. Newman, No. 110 Seventh avenue, Brooklyn.
Joseph T. Smith, No. 16 Court street, Brooklyn.
Carl J. Roehr, No. 35 Myrtle avenue, Brooklyn.
Peter J. McEwen, No. 371 Fulton street, Brooklyn.
Timothy L. Linane, No. 742 Classon avenue, Brooklyn.

By Alderman Scott—

Henry Gergen, Brooklyn.
Matthew Neger, Brooklyn.
James W. Mason, Brooklyn.

By Alderman McInness—

Robert Denny, No. 697 Franklin avenue, Brooklyn.
Gustav Kaiser, Brooklyn.
Bernard Hoeff, No. 450 Stone avenue, Brooklyn.
Louis Alexander, No. 450 Stone avenue, Brooklyn.

By Alderman Lang—

George J. Kluepfel, No. 23 Cooper street, Brooklyn.
William Wolf, No. 1291 Myrtle avenue, Brooklyn.
Fred Busch, Jr., No. 56 Sumner avenue, Brooklyn.
Joseph J. Bloeth, No. 9 Debevoise street, Brooklyn.
Eugene L. Sharrott, No. 2748 Atlantic avenue, Brooklyn.
Hyman Rayfiel, No. 221 Thatford avenue, Brooklyn.
Charles H. Ulrich, No. 375 Fulton street, Brooklyn.

By Alderman Geiser—

John H. W. Killeen, No. 59 Fulton avenue, Astoria, Borough of Queens.
John Ohnemus, No. 261 Steinway avenue, Long Island City.

By Alderman Vaughan—

Ralston Flemming, No. 442 Richmond terrace, New Brighton, Staten Island.

By Alderman —

Alfred Mitchell.
James S. Smith.
James R. Murphy, Manhattan.
Frank J. Mayer, No. 352 Melrose street, Brooklyn.

By Alderman Muh—

Resolved, That the names of the following persons be and the same are hereby corrected as follows:

Jabo M. Lyle to read Jabez M. Lyle.
Ernest Findersen to read Ernst Findersen.
Minor R. Polly to read Minor K. Polley.
Thomas Fox to read Thomas F. Fox.
Harvey O. Dobron to read Harvey O. Dobson.
Charles B. Molley to read Charles Molloy.
David J. Molley to read David J. Molloy.
Henry E. Husiud to read Henry E. Heisted.
Jungen H. Treharne to read Morgan H. Treharne.
Louis Oxford to read Louis Oxfeld.
Hugo Hirsh to read Hugo Hirsch.
Franklin Kelly to read Franklyn Kelly.
Rudolph Gunzenhauser to read Rudolph W. Gunzenhauser.
James J. Duffy to read James J. Duffy.

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

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Ackerman, Burleigh, Burrell, Byrne, Cronin, Diemer, Dooley, Dunn, Elliott, Fleck, Flinn, Folks, Gaffney, Gass, Geagan, Geiger, Glick, Goodman, Harrington, Helgans, Hennessy, James, Keahon, Keegan, Kennefick, Kenney, Koch, Lang, Ledwith, McCaul, McEneaney, McGrath, McInness, McKeever, McNeil, Minsky, Muh, Neufeld, Oatman, Roddy, Schmitt, Schneider, Scott, Siefke, Smith, Stewart, Vaughan, Velton, Welling, Wentz, and Woodward—54.

By Alderman Keegan—

Resolved, That rooms Nos. 4 and 5, on the third floor, City Hall of the Borough of Brooklyn, be assigned to the Department of Correction.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies.

By Alderman Keegan—

Resolved, That the Municipal Court for the Fifth District of the Borough of Brooklyn be temporarily located at the police court on West Eighth street, near Surf avenue, in the Thirty-first Ward of said Borough.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies.

By Alderman Hennessy—

Resolved, That A. Warner Shepherd, M. D., be and he is hereby appointed Physician at the Kings County Jail.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Geiser—

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Assembly of the City of New York as follows:

Section 1. The building situated in the Second Ward of the Borough of Queens, in the City of New York, which was formerly known and used as the Town Hall of the Town of Newtown before said town was abolished, and which is located in the hamlet or village heretofore commonly called Newtown Village, on the street therein called Broadway, is hereby assigned as the place for the holding of the sessions of the Municipal Court of the City of New York in and for the second district of the said Borough of Queens.

Sec. 2. The following rooms within the said building are hereby designated and provided for the use of said Municipal Court for the following purposes respectively:

The main room on the first floor, formerly used as a Court-room by the late Police Justice of the Town of Newtown, shall be the Court-room for the said Municipal Court.

The room opposite said Court-room, formerly the office of the late Town Clerk of the Town of Newtown, shall be the office of the Clerk of said Municipal Court to be used by him for the keeping of the records of said Court and for the other purposes of his official functions.

The office adjacent to said Court-room in the rear thereof shall be the private room for the use of the Justice of said Court.

By the same—

Resolved, That the rooms on the second floor in the Municipal Building (on the southwesterly side thereof), in Crotona Park, Borough of the Bronx, formerly occupied by the Commissioner of Street Improvements, his Deputy Commissioner and Secretary, be and are hereby designated as the rooms and offices of the President of the Borough of the Bronx, his Secretary, and the local boards of improvements of the Borough of the Bronx.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies.

By Alderman Goodman, a resolution calling upon the Counsel to the Corporation for an opinion as to the status of Commissioners of Deeds.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 6.)

COMMUNICATIONS.

The President, at the request of Alderman Goodman, laid before the Board a communication from B. Fernow, relative to translating original Dutch records.

Which was laid over.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENT AND CORPORATION OFFICERS.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Board of Education:

HALL OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,
NO. 146 GRAND STREET,
NEW YORK, January 13, 1898.

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

I have the honor to transmit herewith a certified copy of a report and resolution adopted by the Board of Education on January 12, 1898, containing the Budget for 1898 of that part of the School System contained within the Boroughs of Manhattan and the Bronx.

There is also transmitted the original estimate for 1898, as adopted by the Board of Education on September 15, 1897, which contains the substantial details of the requirements of the School System.

There is also transmitted a revised estimate for 1898, adopted by the Board of Education November 29, 1897, containing amendments, increases and further explanations relative thereto.

Very respectfully,

ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk of the Board of Education.

For transcript of which see proceedings of the Council, CITY RECORD of this date.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Finance Department:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
December 24, 1897.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen:

Weekly statement, showing the appropriations made under the authority contained in section 189, New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, for carrying on the Common Council from January 1 to December 31, 1897, both days inclusive, and of the payments made up to and including the date hereof, for and on account of each appropriation, and the amount of unexpended balances:

TITLES OF APPROPRIATIONS.	AMOUNT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	PAYMENTS.	AMOUNT OF UNEXPENDED BALANCES.
City Contingencies.....	\$3,500 00	\$2,385 80	\$1,114 20
Contingencies—Clerk of the Common Council.....	500 00	350 63	149 37
Salaries—Common Council.....	87,500 00	78,311 29	9,188 71
Total.....	\$91,500 00	\$81,047 72	\$10,452 28

WILLIAM J. LYON, Deputy Comptroller.
Which was received and ordered to be transmitted to the Council for action.

COMMUNICATIONS RESUMED.
The President laid before the Board the following communication from A. Bovie :
NEW YORK, January 1, 1898.

Board of Common Council, City Hall,

To A. BOVIE, Dr.,

News Agent, Address care of National News Company, No. 26 Beekman street.
From October 1, 1897 to January 1, 1898—

Daily Herald, 3 cents.....	\$2 37
" Times, 3 cents.....	2 37
" Tribune, 3 cents.....	2 37
" World, 1 cent.....	79
" Sun, 2 cents.....	1 58
" Journal, 1 cent.....	79
" Press, 1 cent.....	79
" Telegraph, from October 1 to December 18, 3 cents; from December 20, 5 cents.....	2 59
" Staats, 3 cents.....	2 37
Evening Post, 3 cents.....	2 37
" Commercial, 2 cents.....	1 58
" Mail, 2 cents; Saturdays, 3 cents.....	1 71
" Telegram, 1 cent.....	79
" Sun, 1 cent.....	79
" World, 1 cent.....	79
Total.....	\$24 15

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORTS.

(G. O. 7.)

Report of the Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, in favor of assigning the old station-house building on the southwest corner of Prince and Wooster streets as quarters for the Municipal Court of the First Judicial District.
Which was laid over.

(G. O. 8.)

Report of the Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, in favor of designating the third floor of Hackett's Building, Long Island City, as quarters of the Municipal Court, First District, Borough of Queens.
Which was laid over.

(G. O. 9.)

Report of the Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, in favor of locating the offices of the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn and Queens.
Which was laid over.

(G. O. 10.)

Report of the Committee on Law Department, in favor of an ordinance to provide for the issuing of licenses in the City of New York.
Which was laid over.

(G. O. 11.)

Report of the Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, to provide offices for the Board of Public Improvements of the City of New York at No. 346 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan.
Which was laid over.

(G. O. 12.)

The Board, upon unanimous consent, recurred to the order of business of Communications from the Council.

The President laid before the Board an ordinance providing for the publication of two thousand copies of the Message of his Honor the Mayor of January 3, 1898.
Which was laid over.

GENERAL ORDERS.

Under subdivision 11 of Rule II. the Board resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, the President calling Alderman Muh to the Chair.

After some time was spent in consideration of General Orders, the Committee arose and Alderman Muh, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, reported back to the Board of Aldermen, for favorable consideration, the following :

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Literary Union of St. James Church to place transparencies upon the lamp-posts at James and Madison streets, New Bowery and Madison street, Oliver and Madison streets, Catharine and Madison streets, Catharine and Henry streets, Oliver street and Chatham Square, and Pearl and New Chambers streets, the work to be done at its own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies; such permission to continue only for two weeks from the date of approval of his Honor the Mayor.
Which was adopted.

Resolved, That the ordinances relating to the discharge of fireworks and the placing or hanging of transparencies in the City of New York be and the same are hereby suspended to enable the Chinese residents of New York to discharge fireworks of every description in the territory bounded by the City Hall, Broadway, Grand street and East river, the work to be done and material supplied at their own expense, under the direction of the Chief of Police; such suspension to continue only to January 31, 1898.
Which was adopted.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Frank W. Sanger to parade with horseless carriage bearing an announcement through the streets of the City of New York, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Chief of Police; such permission to continue only for ten days subsequent to the Mayor's approval.
Which was adopted.

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen be and he is hereby instructed to communicate and request from the Counsel to the Corporation an early opinion and decision on the following :

Whether the several Commissioners of Deeds, appointed by and in and for the several counties, other than New York County, which have been consolidated with and have become part of the present City of New York, have any official standing, jurisdiction and power, and to what extent, if any?

What is the official status of Commissioners of Deeds appointed in and by the old City of New York, and what is the territorial extent of their present jurisdiction?

What is the limit of territorial jurisdiction of Commissioners of Deeds hereafter appointed by the present Board of Aldermen?

Which was adopted.

COMMUNICATIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

To the Honorable the President of the Board of Aldermen :

SIR—The undersigned, who has lately edited the "Records of New Amsterdam," desiring to continue and finish this documentary history of early New York, requests the permission of your Honorable Board to translate and publish, at his own expense, what of the original Dutch records is not included in the seven volumes already printed, using the same title, which is copyrighted by the City, with the addition of the words "Second Series."

I am, sir, very respectfully,

B. FERNOW, Army and Navy Club.

JANUARY 19, 1898.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Education.

REPORTS RESUMED.

The Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, to whom was referred the annexed ordinance in favor of designating a place for the location of the Municipal Court of the First Judicial District, respectfully

REPORT :

That, having examined the subject, they therefore recommend that the annexed resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That the premises known as the Old Station-house, on the southwest corner of Prince and Wooster streets, be and the same are hereby assigned as the place for the location of the Municipal Court of the First Judicial District of the Borough of Manhattan, in accordance with the provisions of section 54 of the Greater New York Charter; and that the Commissioner of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to make such changes and alterations as may be necessary for the accommodation of the said Municipal Court of the First Judicial District of the Borough of Manhattan, at an expense not to exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), without public letting.

WM. H. GLEDHILL,
JAS. E. GAFFNEY,
EDWARD F. MCENEANEY,
FRANCIS J. BYRNE,
ELIAS HELGANS,
JOSEPH GEISER,
ELIAS GOODMAN.

Committee on
Public Buildings,
Lighting and
Supplies.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree to accept said report and adopt said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote :

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Ackerman, Bridges, Burleigh, Burrell, Diemer, Dunn, Elliott, Fleck, Flinn, Folks, Gaffney, Gass, Geagan, Geiger, Glick, Goodman, Harrington, Hart, Helgans, Hennessy, James, Keegan, Kennefick, Kenney, Koch, Lang, Ledwith, McCall, McCaul, McEneaney, McGrath, McKeever, McNeil, Metzger, Minsky, Muh, Neufeld, Oatman, Roddy, Schmitt, Schneider, Siefke, Smith, Vaughan, Welling, Wentz, and Woodward—50.

The Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, to whom was referred the annexed ordinance in favor of designating the third floor of Hackett's Building to be used as the Municipal Court-room for the First District of the Borough of Queens, respectfully

REPORT :

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed improvement to be necessary.

They therefore recommend that the said ordinance be adopted.

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Assembly of the City of New York, as follows :

That the third floor of building known as Hackett's Building, recently occupied by the General Improvement Commission of Long Island City, situated at the corner of Jackson avenue and Fifth street, be and the same is hereby designated to be used by and as a Municipal Court-room for the First District of the Borough of Queens of the City of New York.

WM. H. GLEDHILL,
JAS. E. GAFFNEY,
EDWARD F. MCENEANEY,
FRANCIS J. BYRNE,
ELIAS HELGANS,
JOSEPH GEISER,
ELIAS GOODMAN.

Committee on
Public Buildings,
Lighting and
Supplies.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree to accept said report and adopt said ordinance.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote :

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Ackerman, Bridges, Burleigh, Burrell, Byrne, Diemer, Dooley, Dunn, Elliott, Fleck, Flinn, Folks, Gaffney, Gass, Geagan, Geiger, Geiser, Goodman, Harrington, Hart, Helgans, Hennessy, James, Keegan, Kennefick, Kenney, Koch, Lang, Ledwith, McCaul, McEneaney, McGrath, McInness, McKeever, McNeil, Metzger, Minsky, Muh, Neufeld, Oatman, Roddy, Schmitt, Schneider, Siefke, Smith, Vaughan, Velton, Welling, Wentz, and Woodward—51.

The Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, to whom was referred the annexed communication and resolution in favor of locating the offices of the Presidents of the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn and Queens, respectfully

REPORT :

That, having examined the subject, they therefore recommend that the said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That, pursuant to the authority conferred by section 383 of the Greater New York Charter, the office of the President of the Borough of Manhattan is hereby located in the room known as the Temporary Room, President of the Borough of Manhattan, on the first floor of the City Hall in said borough, next to the room occupied by the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen; of the President of the Borough of Brooklyn in the Mayor's office, in Room No. 1, first floor, in the City Hall in said Borough; of the President of the Borough of Queens in the Mayor's office, Long Island City.

WM. H. GLEDHILL,
JAS. E. GAFFNEY,
EDWARD F. MCENEANEY,
FRANCIS J. BYRNE,
ELIAS HELGANS,
JOSEPH GEISER,
ELIAS GOODMAN.

Committee on
Public Buildings,
Lighting and
Supplies.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree to accept said report and adopt said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote :

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Ackerman, Bridges, Burleigh, Burrell, Byrne, Diemer, Dooley, Dunn, Elliott, Fleck, Flinn, Folks, Gaffney, Gass, Geagan, Geiger, Geiser, Goodman, Harrington, Hart, Helgans, Hennessy, James, Keegan, Kennefick, Kenney, Koch, Lang, Ledwith, McCaul, McEneaney, McGrath, McInness, McKeever, McNeil, Metzger, Minsky, Muh, Neufeld, Oatman, Roddy, Schneider, Scott, Siefke, Smith, Vaughan, Velton, Welling, Wentz, and Woodward—53.

The Committee on Law Department, to whom was referred the annexed ordinance in favor of providing for the issuing of licenses in the City of New York, respectfully

REPORT :

That, having examined the subject, they therefore recommend that the said ordinance be adopted.

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the Issuing of Licenses in the City of New York.

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Assembly of the City of New York, as follows :

Section 1. There shall be a Bureau of Licenses in and for the City of New York attached to the Mayor's office, with a principal office in the City Hall, in the Borough of Manhattan, and a branch office in such other boroughs as may be deemed necessary and be designated by the Mayor of said city, for the purpose of issuing and recording all licenses authorized by resolution or ordinance of the Municipal Assembly of said city.

Sec. 2. The Bureau of Licenses shall consist of a Chief of said Bureau, with such deputies and assistants as may be found necessary for properly carrying on the work of the Bureau, to be appointed and removed at pleasure by the Mayor of said city, and paid such compensation as shall be fixed and established by said Mayor.

Sec. 3. All licenses issued by the Bureau of Licenses shall be according to an established form, printed with corresponding stub and regularly numbered, with suitable blank spaces for writing in the name and residence of the licensee, kind and class of license, location and privileges allowed, and amount of fee paid, all properly bound in book form. All such licenses shall be duly classified and recorded in suitable registers and fully indexed.

Sec. 4. All licenses issued by the Bureau of Licenses shall be granted by the Mayor and duly issued upon regular application to the Bureau of Licenses. The registers of licenses shall be public records and extracts may be certified by the Chief of the Bureau or the deputy or assistant in charge of a branch office for use as evidence.

Sec. 5. There shall be kept in the principal office of said Bureau, and each and every branch office thereof, a book recording consecutively each license as issued, showing its kind and class, whether new or renewed, name of licensee, regular number of blank form, and amount of fee received, day by day. A daily report showing all of above details shall be made by each branch office to the principal office. All moneys received each day shall be duly deposited in a designated city depository the following day. There shall also be kept in the principal office of said Bureau a book showing a statement of all licenses issued and fees received by said Bureau and its branches, tabulated by days, months and quarters of the year, and compiled annually.

Sec. 6. All ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent or conflicting herewith are hereby repealed.

Sec. 7. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

JOHN S. GEAGAN,
JOSEPH A. FLINN,
BERNARD GLICK,
JACOB J. VELTON,
GEORGE A. BURELL.

Committee on Law
Department.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree to accept said report and adopt said ordinance.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote :

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Ackerman, Bridges, Burleigh, Burrell, Byrne, Diemer, Dooley, Dunn, Elliott, Fleck, Flinn, Folks, Gaffney, Gass, Geagan, Geiger, Geiser, Glick, Goodman, Harrington, Hart, Helgans, Hennessy, James, Keegan, Kennefick, Kenney, Koch, Lang, Ledwith, McCaul, McEneaney, McGrath, McInness, McKeever, McNeil, Metzger, Minsky, Muh, Neufeld, Oatman, Roddy, Schneider, Scott, Siefke, Smith, Vaughan, Velton, Welling, Wentz, and Woodward—53.

The Committee on Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, to whom was referred the annexed communication and resolution in favor of providing an office and meeting room for the Board of Public Improvements of the City of New York, at No. 346 Broadway, Rooms Nos. 1129 to 1137, in the Borough of Manhattan, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed improvement to be necessary. They therefore recommend that the said resolution be adopted.

WILLIAM H. GLEDHILL,
JAMES E. GAFFNEY,
EDWARD F. MCENEANEY,
FRANCIS J. BYRNE,
ELIAS HELGANS,
JOSEPH GEISER,
ELIAS GOODMAN,

Committee on
Public Buildings,
Lighting and
Supplies.

Resolved, That, pursuant to section 412 of the Greater New York Charter, provision is hereby made for an office and a meeting room in the Borough of Manhattan, for the Board of Public Improvements of the City of New York, at No. 346 Broadway, Rooms from Nos. 1129 to 1137, and the Board of Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York are authorized to execute a lease of said premises for a term of three (3) years upon such terms as to them may be satisfactory.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree to accept said report and adopt said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Ackerman, Bridges, Burleigh, Burrell, Byrne, Cronin, Diemer, Dooley, Dunn, Elliott, Fleck, Flinn, Folks, Gaffney, Gass, Geagan, Geiger, Geiser, Goodman, Harrington, Hart, Helgans, Hennessy, James, Keegan, Kennefick, Kenney, Koch, Lang, Ledwith, McCall, McCaul, McEneaney, McGrath, McInness, McKeever, McNeil, Metzger, Minsky, Muh, Neufeld, Oatman, Roddy, Schmitt, Schneider, Scott, Siefke, Smith, Vaughan, Velton, Welling, Wentz, Woodward—55.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS RESUMED.

AN ORDINANCE providing for the printing of two thousand copies of the Mayor's Message of January 3, 1898, for the use of the Members of the Council.

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Assembly of the City of New York as follows:

That two thousand copies of the Mayor's Message, which was received by the Council on January 3, 1898, be printed in pamphlet form and turned over to the City Clerk for distribution among the members of the Council.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree to accept said report and adopt said ordinance.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Ackerman, Bridges, Burrell, Byrne, Cronin, Dooley, Dunn, Elliott, Fleck, Flinn, Folks, Gaffney, Gass, Geiger, Geiser, Glick, Goodman, Harrington, Hart, Helgans, Hennessy, Keegan, Kennefick, Kenney, Koch, Lang, Ledwith, McCall, McCaul, McEneaney, McGrath, McInness, McKeever, McNeil, Metzger, Minsky, Muh, Neufeld, Oatman, Roddy, Schmitt, Schneider, Scott, Siefke, Smith, Stewart, Vaughan, Velton, Welling, Wentz—52.

Negative—Aldermen Burleigh, Diemer, James, and Woodward—4.

Alderman Gaffney moved that the Board do now adjourn.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the President declared that the Board stood adjourned until Tuesday, January 25, 1898, at 1 o'clock P. M.

MICHAEL F. BLAKE, Clerk, Board of Aldermen.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK,
MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,
THURSDAY, December 2, 1897, 11 o'clock A. M.

The Board met in pursuance of an adjournment.

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

The minutes of the meetings held November 26, 29 and 30 and December 1, 1897, were read and approved.

The Comptroller offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of nine hundred dollars (\$900) be and hereby is transferred from the appropriation for the year 1897 entitled "Salaries, Judiciary—Court of General Sessions—Clerks, etc.," the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes thereof, to the appropriation for the year 1897 entitled "For Fees of Clerk of the Court of General Sessions in furnishing certified copies of indictments and other records," the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller offered following:

Resolved, That the sum of thirty-five thousand and eighty-two dollars and ten cents (\$35,082.10) be and hereby is transferred from the following appropriations made to the Department of Street Cleaning for the year 1897, and as follows:

"Sweeping".....	\$30,000 00
"New Stock, Plant".....	5,082 10
	<u>\$35,082 10</u>

—the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes thereof, to the appropriation made to the said Department for 1897, entitled "Final Disposition of Material, including Cremation or Utilization," the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller offered the following:

Resolved, That, in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 114 of the Laws of 1892, the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to issue Assessment Bonds of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, at such rate of interest as he may determine, not exceeding three per cent. per annum, payable on or after November 1, 1898, for the sum of two hundred and forty-two dollars and seventy-five cents (\$242.75), to be applied to the payment of the bill of C. Herbert Burns for services as Stenographer, as taxed by Hon. Abraham R. Lawrence, a Justice of the Supreme Court, First Judicial District, on November 30, 1897, in the Fort Washington Ridge Road proceeding.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, November 30, 1897.

Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—I inclose herewith a bill of costs duly taxed by a Justice of the Supreme Court in the proceeding to acquire lands bounded by Hester, Essex, Division, Norfolk, Suffolk, Canal, Rutgers and Jefferson streets and East Broadway, for park purposes, made up as follows:

C. G. Pratt, Stenographer.....	\$177 00
James MacGregor, Clerk.....	410 72
N. L. Coe, photographic work.....	252 00

Respectfully,

FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 293 of the Laws of 1895, the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized to issue 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 an amount not exceeding eight hundred and thirty-nine dollars and seventy-two cents (\$839.72), redeemable in not less than ten nor more than thirty years from the date of issue, and bearing interest at a

rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum, to provide for the payment of the following bills:

Services of C. G. Pratt, Stenographer.....	\$177 00
Services of James MacGregor, Clerk.....	400 00
Expenses of James MacGregor, as Clerk of Commission.....	10 72
Services of U. S. Coe, photographer.....	252 00
	<u>\$839 72</u>

—said expenses having been taxed before Hon. Abraham R. Lawrence, a Justice of the Supreme Court, in the First Judicial District, on November 27, 1897, in the proceeding to acquire title to certain lands bounded by Hester, Essex, Division, Norfolk, Suffolk, Canal, Rutgers and Jefferson streets, for a public park.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 148 EAST TWENTIETH STREET,
NEW YORK, November 26, 1897.

Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Mayor, and Chairman, Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

DEAR SIR—I have the honor to inclose two estimates for the erection of two churches and for extension to dining-room, Riker's Island. The lowest bid is \$16,950, exclusive of architects' and inspectors' fees.

The estimated cost for the women's wing of the Blackwell's Island Penitentiary is \$75,000. I inclose estimate.

The amounts necessary for above work are as follows:

Riker's Island (including all fees).....	\$19,000 00
Penitentiary, Blackwell's Island (including all fees).....	84,000 00

—which I would respectfully request your Honorable Board to set aside from the balance of the \$1,300,000, allowed by chapter 626, Laws of 1896.

I beg leave to withdraw my letter under date of 23d instant in regard to above.

Very respectfully,

ROBERT J. WRIGHT, Commissioner.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
November 27, 1897.

Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—The Department of Correction in communication of November 15, 1897, to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment submits contracts, specifications and plans for two churches and extension to dining-room, etc., on Riker's Island, New York City; also extension (wing for female prisoners) to the Penitentiary, Blackwell's Island, for approval, as per chapter 626, Laws of 1896.

In communication of November 26, 1897, the Commissioner gives the following estimate of cost of these improvements:

For the work on Riker's Island.....	\$19,000 00
For the women's wing of Blackwell's Island Penitentiary.....	84,000 00

Total.....	<u>\$103,000 00</u>
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I have examined the plans for the works enumerated and find them very complete in all the details.

The specifications are full, and clearly describe the work to be done.

The work on Riker's Island consists of the construction of two churches—one Catholic and one Protestant—and a dining-room and kitchen extension.

The buildings are to be constructed of wood. Foundation walls of stone, extending four feet below the surface of the ground. The walls above foundation to be of joist, with sheathing, paper and siding. The roofs to be of tin; the tower of one church constructed of stone in first story, with belfry above. The interior of the churches to be finished in ash on ceiling; the side walls to be plastered.

The interior of dining-room and kitchen to be furnished in ash strips on side walls; the roof beams and under side of roof boards to be exposed and painted.

The proposed women's wing to Blackwell's Island Penitentiary will extend easterly from the southerly line of the present Penitentiary. A portion of this wing will be used for cells—96 in number—with bluestone floor and ceiling for the same; the space around cells to be flagged.

The easterly portion of the wing is to be used for administration purposes. The basement will be used for laundry, prisoners' bath and toilet-room, and kitchen for Matrons.

The first story will be used for Prison dining-room, Matrons' dining-room, reception-room and bedroom.

The second story will be used for Prison Chapel or Workhouse, and Matrons' bedrooms and toilet-room.

The third story will be used for hospital and bath, and toilet for same; also for Matrons' bedrooms.

The building is to be constructed of brick and stone, with iron truss roof, with terra-cotta blocks. The entire roof to be covered with tin. The interior finish of Matrons' quarters to be of pine, painted. Iron grills for all cell doors and windows in prison.

The entire size of this east wing is 51 feet by 150 feet.

The size of the prison is 51 feet by 96 feet.

The size of the administration building is 51 feet by 54 feet.

The administration building is three stories and basement in height.

The cells in prison are four tiers in height.

The foundation wall of the building will start on rock.

The plans and specifications have been approved by the Consulting Architect, Mr. John R. Thomas.

The law has been complied with in this application, and the Board of Estimate may properly approve the plans and specifications and make the appropriation asked for, amounting to \$103,000.

Respectfully,

EUG. E. MCLEAN, Engineer.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 626 of the Laws of 1896, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the plans and specifications for two churches and extension to dining-room, etc., on Riker's Island; also extension (wing for female prisoners) to the Penitentiary, Blackwell's Island, prepared by George M. Walgrove, architect, and submitted by the Commissioner of Correction, and approved by John R. Thomas, Consulting Architect, and hereby authorizes said Commissioner of Correction to proceed with the construction thereof pursuant to law; and

Resolved, That, for the purpose of providing necessary means therefor, including architect's fees, inspection and incidental expenses, the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized to issue 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 an amount not exceeding one hundred and three thousand dollars (\$103,000), bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum, and redeemable in not less than twenty years nor more than fifty years from the date of issue.

Which were adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
November 29, 1897.

Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—The Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, in communication of November 20, 1897, submits to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment plans and specifications for the construction of a bridge over the Bronx river at East One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street (Tremont avenue), under the provisions of chapter 657, Laws of 1897, and asks that the Comptroller be directed to provide funds for said construction to the amount of \$50,000.

The limit of expenditure under the law is \$75,000.

He further requests the consent and approval of any action he may take as authorized and contemplated by section 4 of said act, relative to acquiring title to any land that may be necessary for the purpose of the construction of the said bridge and approaches.

I have carefully examined the plans of the bridge and find them complete and satisfactory.

The specifications are full and minutely descriptive of the work to be done.

The bridge is a steel beam structure 70 feet in width and 85.797 feet in length, in two spans, having a centre pier. The sidewalks are to be 14 feet in width on both sides, and the roadway

42 feet in width. The sidewalks and roadway to be paved with asphalt. It is a skew bridge, the angle being 68 degrees 49 minutes.

I think the Board may properly approve the plans and specifications and appropriate the amount requested—\$50,000.

With respect to the request that the Board consent to any action the Commissioner may take in the matter of acquiring title to any land necessary, I think the Commissioner asks more than the Board can properly give. Section 4 says "with the consent of the board of estimate and apportionment, first had and obtained, the commissioner of street improvements, for and in behalf of the mayor, aldermen and commonalty, * * * is hereby authorized to acquire title in fee to the land which he may deem necessary for the purpose of the construction of the said bridge and approaches." * * * Under this law it appears to me that the Commissioner should show in exact detail, by plans, etc., the lands he deems it necessary to acquire, and submit the same to the Board in order that it may have before it definite information on which its judgment may be exercised. The Board cannot delegate to the Commissioner any power to act on a matter which, under the law, lies within its own discretion.

Respectfully,
EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 657 of the Laws of 1897, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the plans and specifications for a bridge over the Bronx river at East One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street, and directs the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards to proceed with the construction thereof, as provided for in said act, and that for the payment of the expenses thereby incurred, including all expenses necessarily incident thereto, the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized to issue, from time to time, as may be required, 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 thousand dollars (\$50,000), bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum, and redeemable in not less than twenty nor more than fifty years from the date of issue.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
November 30, 1897.

Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—The Department of Public Parks, in communication of November 19, 1897, to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, incloses a resolution adopted October 11, 1897, approving the plan submitted by William H. Burr, Consulting Engineer, for a bridge to be constructed over Pelham Bay, connecting the Pelham Bay Park with City Island, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 638 of the Laws of 1894, as amended by chapter 507, Laws of 1896, and when the same shall be approved by the Secretary of War, that the said plan be forwarded to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval, as required by the provisions of the acts cited.

Also, a resolution adopted November 8, 1897, approving the specifications and form of contract for constructing the said bridge, as submitted by William H. Burr, Consulting Engineer, and ordering the same to be forwarded to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval, and when so approved that the same be printed and prepared for letting at such time as funds shall be provided therefor by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

Also, a resolution adopted same day, requesting the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to authorize the issue of bonds to the amount of \$234,000, in such sums as may be from time to time required for the construction of the said bridge.

The plans, specifications and form of contract are forwarded, and the statement made that the plans have received the approval of the Secretary of War as required by law. The Engineer's estimate is also inclosed.

I have examined the plans with great care and find them complete in every respect.

The specifications fully and minutely describe the work to be done.

The bridge is 568 feet in length and 50 feet in width. The sidewalks on each side will be 7 feet 6 inches in width, and the roadway, 35 feet in width.

There will be five fixed spans of 80 feet each and one draw-span of 168 feet.

The exposed surfaces of the piers and abutments are to be blue-gray limestone.

There are alternative plans for four of the piers, one for continuous pier and the other for separate piers for each side of the bridge.

The foundations will go to rock for all piers and abutments.

The superstructure will consist of plate girder spans and a composite plate girder and riveted draw-span. The draw is to be turned by hand-power.

The roadways and sidewalks will be either of timber and plank construction or of asphalt with buckle-plate foundation.

The approaches, which are 131 feet long on the Pelham Park end and 251 feet long on the City Island side, will be paved in the roadway with gravel on Telford foundation, with gravel sidewalks and five-inch curb.

The elevation of the bridge above mean high water is 12 feet.

The limit of cost under the law is \$250,000.

The estimate of cost submitted by the Engineer is \$225,715.35. This estimate is based on the estimated quantities of the work at the usual prices paid for similar items. As the work will be done by contract at public letting the cost may be more or less than the estimate.

This bridge is much needed, the old one having been condemned many years ago, and being now in rickety condition.

I think the Board of Estimate and Apportionment may properly approve the plans and specifications, and provide the funds necessary for the construction to the amount of \$234,000, as requested by the resolution; the amount over the estimate being for contingencies.

Respectfully,
EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.

W. H. BURR, CONSULTING ENGINEER,
BOULEVARD AND ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH STREET,
NEW YORK, N. Y., November 8, 1897.

The Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks, Hon. SAMUEL McMILLAN, President:

GENTLEMEN—I beg to submit below a detailed estimate of the cost of the City Island Bridge, with its approaches, to be constructed under authority of chapter 638 of the Laws of 1894, as amended by chapter 507 of the Laws of 1896. This estimated cost is based on the schedule of quantities incorporated in detail from the plans submitted to the Secretary of War and approved by him. It is my judgment that the estimates of the quantities are full and that the work can be contracted for at a sum not exceeding the estimated cost, which is the following:

2,000 cubic yards excavation, at \$0.60	\$1,200 00
2,575 cubic yards foundation masonry, at \$22	56,650 00
2,540 cubic yards pier masonry, at \$11	27,940 00
81 cubic feet granite pedestal, at \$2	162 00
168,000 cubic feet crib fender (stone filled), at \$0.06½	10,920 00
92,000 feet B. M., in crib fender, \$35	3,220 00
4,000 cubic yards rip-rap, \$0.75	3,000 00
1,190,000 pounds iron and steel in plate girder spans, \$0.03½	41,650 00
470,000 pounds iron and steel in draw-span, at \$0.04	18,800 00
220,000 pounds iron and steel in turn-table, etc., \$0.06	13,200 00
2,500 lineal feet railing, at \$3	7,500 00
2,210 square yards rock asphalt roadway, \$2.50	5,525 00
875 square yards rock asphalt sidewalk, at \$2	1,750 00
24,500 cubic yards filling, at \$3	73,500 00
2,760 square yards rip-rap pavement, \$1.50	4,140 00
200 granite railing posts, at \$8	1,600 00
1,400 lineal feet curbstone, at \$1.20	1,680 00
10,000 square feet gravel sidewalk, at \$0.10	1,000 00
2,800 square yards gravel roadway, at \$1.30	3,640 00
1 gas tank	200 00
1,800 lineal feet gas pipe, at \$0.60	1,080 00
4 gutter outlets, at \$60	240 00
262 light lamps and posts, at \$60	1,560 00
280 cubic yards garden mold, at \$2	560 00
570 square yards sod, at \$0.70	400 00
	\$214,967 00
Engineering	10,743 35
Total	\$225,715 35

Very respectfully,
(Signed) WM. H. BURR, Consulting Engineer.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 507 of the Laws of 1896, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the plans and specifications for a bridge con-

necting Pelham Bay Park with City Island, prepared by William H. Burr, Consulting Engineer, and approved by the Board of Parks; and that, for the purpose of providing means to defray the expenses thereof, the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized to issue, from time to time, as may be required, 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 thirty-four thousand dollars (\$234,000), bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum, and redeemable within such time as the Comptroller may determine, but not less than twenty nor more than fifty years from the date of issue.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

NEW YORK CITY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION,
NEW CRIMINAL COURT BUILDING,
NEW YORK, December 2, 1897.

Hon. Members of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, Stewart Building, New York City: GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the New York City Civil Service Commission, held November 29, 1897, the following resolution was passed:

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be requested to transfer the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) from some unexpended balance, to the appropriation of this Commission.

Further, That the Secretary be instructed to write the Health Department, requesting them to give their consent to the transfer of five hundred dollars (\$500) from their appropriation.

I beg to inform you, therefore, that I have written to Mr. Charles G. Wilson, President of the Board of Health, requesting the transfer, and have received his consent, a copy of which I herewith inclose. The amount of transfer requested is actually needed in order to continue examinations, and to conduct the business of this office for the remainder of the year, and I therefore hope that your Honorable Body will consider the transfer favorably.

Very respectfully yours,
S. WILLIAM BRISCOE, Secretary.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT,
CENTRE, ELM, WHITE AND FRANKLIN STREETS,
NEW YORK, December 1, 1897.

Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller, New York City:

SIR—At a meeting of the Board of Health of the Health Department, held November 30, 1897, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Health of the Health Department consents to the transfer of the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) from the appropriation entitled "Health Fund for Medical Inspection of Schools, 1897," which is in excess of the amount required for the purpose thereof, to the appropriation entitled "Civil Service, City of New York, 1897," which is insufficient for the purpose thereof.

A true copy.

C. GOLDBERMAN, Secretary pro tem.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) be and hereby is transferred from the appropriation made to the Health Department for the year 1897, entitled "Salaries of Medical School Inspectors, etc.," the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes thereof, to the appropriation made to the Municipal Civil Service Examining Boards for the year 1897, entitled "Civil Service of the City of New York—Expenses of," the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

HEALTH DEPARTMENT,
CENTRE, ELM, WHITE AND FRANKLIN STREETS,
NEW YORK, December 1, 1897.

Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller, New York City:

SIR—At a meeting of the Board of Health of the Health Department held November 30, 1897, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That for the prevention of smallpox and for the preservation of the health of the community, it is necessary to continue in the service of this Board the ten (10) Medical Inspectors for temporary service in this Department, and that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and is hereby respectfully requested to appropriate, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 535 of the Laws of 1893, the sum of seven hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$775) to pay the salaries of said Medical Inspectors from December 8 to December 31, 1897, at the rate of one hundred dollars (\$100) per month.

A true copy.

C. GOLDBERMAN, Secretary pro tem.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to chapter 535 of the Laws of 1893, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby appropriates the sum of seven hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$775) 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 the resolution relating thereto adopted November 30, 1897.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
December 1, 1897.

Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—The Commissioner of Street Improvements, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, in communication of November 20, 1897, to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, submits a form of resolution relative to the acquisition of title to land for the purposes of the construction of the Melrose Avenue Elevated Roadway, Viaduct or Bridge, as authorized by chap. 680, Laws of 1897, and requests its adoption.

The resolution submitted gives the consent and approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to the Commissioner of Street Improvements, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, to acquire, under the provisions of the law cited, title in fee to, or any easement in, any land which he may deem necessary for the purposes of the construction.

Section 4 of the act cited says: "With the consent and approval of the board of estimate and apportionment first had and obtained, the commissioner of street improvements * * * is hereby authorized to acquire title in fee to, or any easement in, any land he may deem necessary for the purpose of the construction of said elevated roadway, viaduct or bridge." * * *

It appears to me that under this provision there should be presented to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment definite details, by plans, etc., of the lands, etc., he deems it necessary to acquire. Without this definite information, I do not see how the Board can properly give its consent and approval.

Respectfully,
EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.

Resolved, That, under the provisions of chapter 680 of the Laws of 1897, the consent and approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment are hereby given to the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards to acquire title in fee to, or any easement in, any land which he may deem necessary for the purpose of the construction of the elevated roadway, viaduct or bridge over the tracks of the New York and Harlem Railroad and the Port Morris branch of the New York and Harlem Railroad, connecting Melrose avenue from East One Hundred and Sixty-third street to the junction of Webster avenue and Brook avenue at East One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street in the City of New York, as authorized by said act, and the construction of which said roadway, viaduct or bridge has been hitherto authorized by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

Laid over.

The Mayor presented the following:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
NO. 150 NASSAU STREET,
NEW YORK, December 1, 1897.

Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Mayor, Chairman, Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

DEAR SIR—The necessity of making several removals of public offices and fitting up of new offices, consequent on the changes of administration which are about to take place, create extraordinary calls upon the appropriations "For Public Buildings—Construction and Repairs," and "Supplies for and Cleaning Public Offices."

I therefore respectfully request that your Board make the following transfers of appropriations:

The sum of \$2,500 from "Salaries—Department of Public Works, for 1896," from which the said amount can be spared, to "Public Buildings—Construction and Repairs, for 1897."

The sum of \$2,000 from "Repaving Streets and Avenues—Salaries for 1896," from which the said amount can be spared, to "Supplies for and Cleaning Public Offices for 1897."

Very respectfully,

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

Whereupon the Counsel to the Corporation offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) be and hereby is transferred from the appropriation made to the Department of Public Works, for the year 1896, entitled "Salaries—Department of Public Works," the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes thereof, to the appropriation made to the said Department for the year 1897, entitled "Public Buildings—Construction and Repairs," the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—4.
Negative—The Comptroller.

The Counsel to the Corporation offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) be and hereby is transferred from the appropriation made to the Department of Public Works, for the year 1896, entitled "Salaries, Department of Public Works—for Repaving Streets and Avenues," the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes thereof, to the appropriation made to the said Department for the year 1897, entitled "Supplies for and Cleaning Public Offices, including New Criminal Court-house and including Directories," the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—4.
Negative—The Comptroller.

The following communications were received:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,
NEW YORK, November 30, 1897.

Hon. Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—Referring to the request of this Board for an appropriation for \$14,000 for alterations and additions to Fordham Hospital, and which request was duly granted by your Board, I have to inform you that we have been compelled to reject all bids that were received for this work, by reason of the fact that it was found the ground was underlaid by solid rock formation, which was not contemplated in our original estimate.

We beg therefore to request that you will increase the allowance for this work to the sum of \$19,500, which we believe would cover the extra cost of removing the rock.

Yours truly,

STEPHEN SMITH, Secretary.

Referred to the Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
November 30, 1897.

To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the Board of Parks, held on the 29th instant, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to transfer the sum of one thousand dollars from the appropriation for "Maintenance and Construction and New Parks north of the Harlem river, etc.," for the current year, for the purposes of which said sum will not be required, to the appropriation for "Police Supplies and Repairs," for the year 1897, which is insufficient.

Respectfully,

WILLIAM LEARY, Secretary.

Referred to the Comptroller.

On motion, the Board proceeded to the consideration of the Final Estimate for the year 1898.

The estimate for the Board of Education was taken up for consideration.

Charles B. Hubbell, President; Joseph J. Little, Henry A. Rogers, Nathaniel A. Prentiss, Edward H. Peaslee, Henry W. Taft, Aug. P. Montant, Hugh Kelly, Jacob A. Mack, Alexander P. Ketchum and Richard H. Adams, Commissioners of Education, appeared before the Board and made statement in explanation thereof.

The estimates for the College of the City of New York and the Normal College were taken up and considered.

The estimates for the Civil Service Examining Boards, Commissioners of Accounts, City Magistrates, District Courts, Supreme Court, County Clerk, City Court, Court of General Sessions, were taken up for consideration.

On motion, the Board adjourned to meet on Monday, December 6, 1897, at 11 o'clock A. M.

E. P. BARKER, Secretary.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,
MONDAY, December 6, 1897, 11 o'clock A. M.

The Board met in pursuance of an adjournment.

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

On motion, the reading of the minutes of the meeting held December 2, 1897, was dispensed with.

On motion, the Board proceeded to the consideration of the Final Estimate for the year 1898. The estimate for the Board of City Record was taken up for consideration.

The Comptroller presented the following:

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS,
STEWART BUILDING, No. 280 BROADWAY,
December 3, 1897.

To the Honorable the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the Board of Taxes and Assessments, held December 1, 1897, the following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved, That requisition be and is hereby made under the provisions of chapter 542, Laws of 1892, and certified to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for the sum of ten thousand (\$10,000) dollars, that amount being necessary and required to be expended to enable the Department of Taxes and Assessments to proceed with the work and procure materials necessary in providing new tax assessment maps."

Respectfully,

C. ROCKLAND TYNG, Secretary.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 542 of the Laws of 1892, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the requisition made by the Board of Taxes and Assessments, by resolution adopted December 1, 1897, to the amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), to be expended in preparing new tax and assessment maps; and the Comptroller is hereby authorized to issue, from time to time, as may be necessary, Revenue Bonds for that amount, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three per cent. per annum, and the amount required for the redemption thereof to be included in the Final Estimate for the year immediately succeeding the issue thereof.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) be and hereby is transferred from the appropriation made to the Department of Public Parks, for the year 1897, entitled "Maintenance and Construction of New Parks north of Harlem River, including Surveying and Monumenting," the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes thereof, to the appropriation made to the said Department for 1897, entitled "Police—For Supplies and Repairs," the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

SIXTH DISTRICT CITY MAGISTRATES' COURT,
NEW YORK, December 3, 1897.

Hon. ASHBEL F. FITCH, Comptroller:

DEAR SIR—Following the suggestion in your letter of December 1, 1897, in relation to the application December 1, 1897, of the Board of City Magistrates to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for a transfer of nine thousand dollars, part of the unexpended balance of the appropriation made for the year 1897 to the said City Magistrates' Courts for salaries, etc., said application is amended so that said transfer of said amount shall be for the sum of \$1,750 for the payment of the salaries of Magistrates Meade, Hedges and Pool, for the month of December, 1897, the sum of \$6,250 for "construction and repairs of public buildings," \$1,000 for "supplies and cleaning public offices," and that

Said request for transfer be used for no other purpose than for the City Magistrates' Courts, and that the amount appropriated for the City Magistrates' Courts for the year 1897, is in excess of the amount required for the purpose and object for which said appropriation was made, and that the sum of \$9,410.89 can be spared therefrom.

JOSEPH POOL,

City Magistrate and Chairman of Special Committee of said Board

And offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of seven thousand two hundred and fifty dollars (\$7,250) be and hereby is transferred from the appropriation for the year 1897, entitled "Salaries, City Courts—City Magistrates' Courts," the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes thereof, to the following appropriations made to the Department of Public Works, for 1897, and as follows:

"Public Buildings—Construction and Repairs".....	\$6,250 00
"Supplies for and Cleaning Public Offices, including New Criminal Court-house, and including Directories".....	1,000 00
	<hr/> \$7,250 00

—the amount of said appropriations being insufficient, and

Resolved, That the sum of one thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$1,750) from the unexpended balance of appropriation made for the year 1897, entitled "Salaries, City Courts—City Magistrates' Courts," be and is hereby made applicable to the payment of the salaries of Magistrates Meade, Hedges and Pool, for the month of December, 1897.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 148 EAST TWENTIETH STREET,
NEW YORK, December 2, 1897.

Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Mayor, and Chairman, Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

DEAR SIR—I beg leave to ask your Honorable Board to transfer the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) from the appropriation made to this Department for "Supplies for 1897," for which it is not needed, as follows:

Two thousand dollars (\$2,000), to "Alterations, Additions and Repairs to Buildings and Apparatus."

One thousand dollars (\$1,000), to "Repairs to Steamboats."

—and which appropriations are insufficient.

Very respectfully,

ROBERT J. WRIGHT, Commissioner.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) be and hereby is transferred from the appropriation made to the Department of Correction, for the year 1897, entitled "Department of Correction—For Supplies," the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes thereof, to the following appropriations made to said Department for 1897, and as follows:

"Alterations, Additions and Repairs to Buildings and Apparatus".....	\$2,000 00
"Alterations, Additions and Repairs to Steamboats".....	1,000 00
	<hr/> \$3,000 00

—the amount of said appropriations being insufficient.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

CITY OF NEW YORK—
COMMISSIONER OF STREET IMPROVEMENTS,
TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH WARDS,
November 27, 1897.

Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—I hereby request your consent and approval of the plans and specifications herewith submitted for the construction of a bridge and approaches over the tracks of the New York and Harlem Railroad at One Hundred and Fifty-third street, under the provisions of chapter 650 of the Laws of 1897; I also ask your Board to direct the Comptroller to provide funds for the construction of the same to the amount of \$150,000 as authorized by the act.

Respectfully,

LOUIS F. HAFFEN, Commissioner.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
December 3, 1897.

Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—The Commissioner of Street Improvements, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, in communication of November 27, 1897, to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, submits plans and specifications for the construction of a bridge and approaches over the tracks of the New York and Harlem Railroad at One Hundred and Fifty-third street, under the provisions of chapter 650, Laws of 1897, and asks the Board to provide funds for the construction of the same to the amount of \$150,000, as authorized by the act.

I have examined the plans and find them sufficient.

The specifications are very full and minutely describe the work.

The bridge is 502 feet in length, to be divided into four through spans and one deck span. The deck span is 50 feet and the through spans 123 feet, 92 feet 3 inches, 118 feet and 108 feet 9 inches.

The bridge is 50 feet in width, in accordance with the law, and has 24 feet of roadway and sidewalks of 13 feet on each side.

It is 16 feet in height at the lowest point, which height is prescribed by the law.

It is to be paved with asphalt, both the roadway and the sidewalks.

The piers are steel columns resting on stone foundations.

The exposed parts of the masonry of the piers and abutments to be of granite.

The limit of expenditure, under the law, is \$150,000.

I think the Board of Estimate and Apportionment may properly approve the plans and specifications and appropriate the amount, \$150,000, as requested by the Commissioner.

Respectfully,

EUG. E. MCLEAN, Engineer.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 650 of the Laws of 1897, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the plans and specifications for a bridge and approaches over the tracks of the New York and Harlem Railroad at One Hundred and Fifty-third street, submitted by the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, under date November 27, 1897; and that for the purpose of defraying the expense of the construction thereof, including necessary incidental expenses, the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized to issue 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 one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000), bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum, and redeemable in not less than twenty nor more than fifty years from the date of issue.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and the Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller offered the following:

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment by resolution adopted September 23, 1897, authorized the issue of bonds to the amount of fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000), pursuant to the provisions of chapter 724 of the Laws of 1896, to defray the expenses of constructing a new building for and alterations to the Fordham Hospital; and

NOVEMBER 20, 1897.

Whereas, The Department of Public Charities certifies that the cost thereof will amount to nineteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$19,500);

Resolved, That the additional cost of such work be met by the application of the proceeds of bonds authorized to be issued pursuant to said act by other resolutions of this Board, under which unexpended balances may exist.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
December 3, 1897.

Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—Referring to the accompanying petition from the citizens of West Seventieth street, requesting that the street between Central Park, West, and Columbus avenue be repaved with asphalt, I would respectfully report that this block is now paved with specification granite, and is not in good condition. There are no objections to its repavement with asphalt. The area is about 2,700 yards. The cost, about \$8,800.

Respectfully submitted,
MERRITT H. SMITH, Engineer.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That pursuant to the provisions of chapter 87 of the Laws of 1897, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby authorizes and determines that Seventieth street, between Central Park, West, and Columbus avenue, be repaved with asphalt on the present pavement, with crosswalks of North River bluestone at the intersecting or abutting streets, where deemed necessary, except where the intersecting or abutting streets are also paved with asphalt.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, December 2, 1897.

Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—I inclose herewith the bills for services of the Commissioners, as taxed by a Justice of the Supreme Court, in the matter of acquiring title to certain lands in the Eleventh Ward of the City of New York, bounded by Houston, Stanton, Pitt, Willett and Sheriff streets, duly selected, located and laid out as and for a public park, under and in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 293 of the Laws of 1896 and chapter 320 of the Laws of 1887, which are as follows:

Franklin Bien, Commissioner.....	\$1,100 00
James J. Martin, Commissioner.....	1,100 00
Emanuel Blumenstiel, Commissioner.....	1,100 00

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

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 293 of the Laws of 1895, the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized and directed to issue 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 three thousand three hundred dollars (\$3,300), bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum, redeemable within such period as the Comptroller may determine, not exceeding thirty years from the date of issue; the proceeds of which bonds shall be applied to the payment of bills of Franklin Bien, James J. Martin and Emanuel Blumenstiel, Commissioners, in the matter of acquiring title to certain lands in the Eleventh Ward of the City of New York, bounded by Houston, Stanton, Pitt, Willett and Sheriff streets, for a public park, as taxed by Honorable Frederick Smyth, a Justice of the Supreme Court, in the First Judicial District, on December 2, 1897.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, December 3, 1897.

Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—I inclose herewith the bills and the affidavits of the Commissioners, as certified to by me in the matter of the Health Department of the City of New York, plaintiff, against John J. Roberts and others, defendants, in relation to the condemnation of the rear buildings known as Nos. 350, 352 and 354 West Broadway, in the City of New York, which are as follows:

Andrew S. Hamersley, Jr., Commissioner.....	\$80 00
John J. Quinlan, Commissioner.....	70 00
Theodore E. Smith, Commissioner.....	70 00

The above fees are to be paid from the proceeds of bonds issued under and in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 57 of the Laws of 1897.

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

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 57 of the Laws of 1897, the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized to issue 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 twenty dollars (\$220), bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum, and redeemable within such period as the Comptroller may determine, but not less than twenty nor more than fifty years from the date of issue, the proceeds of which bonds shall be applied to the payment of the bills of Andrew S. Hamersley, Jr., John J. Quinlan and Theodore E. Smith, for services rendered as Commissioners in connection with the condemnation of rear buildings known as Nos. 350, 352 and 354 West Broadway, under chapter 57 of the Laws of 1897, as certified by the Counsel to the Corporation.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, December 3, 1897.

Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—I have received a communication from you dated November 22, inclosing a letter received by you from the General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen, in which a claim is made that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment can appropriate public moneys to the free library of this Society without a certificate from the Regents of the University in regard to approved circulation, as required by the general library law of the State.

The memorandum of the Society refers to section 36 of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1892, as amended by chapter 859 of the Laws of 1895 as giving to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment full and ample power to make the appropriation asked for.

The language of the section upon which reliance is placed is that the said Board "may establish and maintain a free public library either by itself or in connection with any other body authorized to maintain such library," and the argument is that, as in making such an appropriation the city will maintain a free public library in connection with a body duly authorized to maintain the same, to wit, the society in question.

I do not think that the language of the statute will bear the interpretation which is attempted to be placed upon it by the Society. The section to which reference is made is not the section under which appropriations are made to free circulating libraries. That section is number 37 of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1892, which reads as follows:

"By similar vote money may be granted toward the support of libraries not owned by the public, but maintained for its welfare and free use; provided, that such libraries shall be subject to the inspection of the regents and registered by them as maintaining a proper standard, that the regents shall certify what number of the books circulated are of such a character as to merit a grant of public money, and that the amount granted yearly to libraries on the basis of circulation shall not exceed ten cents for each volume of the circulation thus certified by the regents."

It seems to me to be clear that the library belonging to this Society is one, "not owned by the public or maintained for its welfare and free use."

I am, therefore, of the opinion that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment cannot lawfully appropriate any moneys for the support of the library of the Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen unless it shall be furnished with a certificate of the Regents as required by law.

Yours very truly,
FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation.

Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller of the City of New York:

DEAR SIR—The General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen of the City of New York have, as you are aware, applied to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for an appropriation such as has been granted in the past few years for library purposes, and the Society desires to place before you, as one of the members of that Board, a short statement of the reasons why they think such appropriations should be made, with the hope and request that you will lay the same before the Board of Estimate at the proper time.

This society was instituted in 1785, and has been active during all the years which have elapsed since that time. In 1820 the Society started a library, which at that time was intended for apprentices. This library was increased from year to year. The books circulated freely among apprentices and were furnished to them without any expense whatever to them.

In 1886 the library was opened to the general public as a free library, and during all the intervening years it has been very extensively used. It now numbers over one hundred thousand volumes, which volumes circulate freely. Since, and including 1887, annual appropriations have been made by the City of New York, which appropriations have been each year supplemented by an expense on the part of the Society of at least as much more as was received from the City of New York. The books circulate largely, and perhaps mainly, among the working classes, and it is believed by the Society that by such circulation a great work is being and has been accomplished.

The maintenance of this library is but a single department of the Society's work, as it furnishes educational facilities of various kinds to the working classes, gratis, such as mechanical and architectural drawing, designing and modeling in clay, stenography and typewriting, besides maintaining free scholarships in the New York Trades Schools. The Society has never applied for, or received, one dollar of State aid for the support or maintenance of its library, nor is it its intention, at any time, to apply for such aid, yet, after over three-quarters of a century of careful management of its library department, it is asked to submit to an examination of its books and methods, by representatives of the State Board of Regents, as a pre-requisite to an appropriation by the City of New York, of its own, and not State funds.

The Society is not averse to having any examination made, at any time, by any person or persons authorized by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to make such examination. On the contrary, it invites from such Board the fullest and most complete investigation as to all of the details of the condition and management of said library.

It has gratefully received the appropriations made by the City of New York for library purposes, because of the fact that it knows that such appropriations, used in connection with its own funds, have enabled it to greatly extend the operations and benefits of this department of its work.

We respectfully urge that section 36 of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1892 as amended by chapter 859 of the Laws of 1895 gives to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment full and ample powers to make the appropriation asked for. That section says that such Board "may establish and maintain a free public library either by itself or in connection with any other body authorized to maintain such library."

Ours is a free public library. Our Society is by its charter authorized to establish and maintain such a library. (See chapter 283, section 3 of the Laws of 1888, amending previous laws.) The appropriation asked for is, therefore, that the City may maintain a free public library in connection with a body duly authorized to maintain the same, and is clearly within both the language and spirit of said section. That section is a full recognition of what may be called the inherent right of a great municipality to determine for itself, within reasonable limits, how far its moneys may be applied toward the maintenance of educational facilities of this character.

The Society most respectfully request the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to make such appropriation to be used solely for library purposes as may, upon the closest investigation, be found to be reasonable, and, in the judgment of said Board, beneficial to the masses reached by said library.

We respectfully request you to place this memorial before the said Board of Estimate and Apportionment, and indulge the hope that you will lend your powerful influence in favor of the appropriation desired.

WILLIAM STONEBACK, President.
STEPHEN M. WRIGHT, Secretary.
RICHARD T. DAVIES, Treasurer.
FRANK E. CONOVER, Chairman Library Committee.

Ordered on file.

Richard T. Davies, Treasurer of the General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen, appeared before the Board and made a statement in relation thereto.

The Comptroller presented the following:

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, December 3, 1897.

To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—On September 24, you referred to me a communication from David Levintritt, Peter Bowe and Arthur Ingraham, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the matter of the acquiring of lands for the construction of a drawbridge over the Harlem river, at Third avenue.

The application of the Commissioners is for additional compensation, and is made under the provisions of chapter 540 of the Laws of 1894, which reads as follows:

"In addition to the fees provided for by sections 1000 to 1002, inclusive, of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1892, the commissioners of estimate and apportionment appointed under this act shall receive such fees and actual expenses as may be just and reasonable, the same to be audited and allowed by the board of estimate and apportionment of the city of New York."

The Commissioners were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court dated August 8, 1893, and filed in the County Clerk's office February 8, 1894. They immediately entered upon the discharge of their duties and continued to act with great fidelity and assiduity until January 20, 1897, when they signed their final report.

In the course of the proceedings before them there were taken 5,475 pages of testimony and they were called upon to examine and determine many extremely intricate and difficult questions of law.

The property actually acquired in the proceeding consisted of about forty-one city lots of land of 2,500 square feet each, and also about 200 feet of bulkhead rights.

While the area of the property actually taken was not so large, yet in nearly every instance the portion taken from an owner constituted only a portion of his entire lot or plot, and a great deal of testimony was taken before the Commissioners, not only relative to the value of the particular piece of land taken, but also to the damages which would enure to the remaining portion by reason of the taking.

On the south side of the river, west of Third avenue, a strip of land 44 feet wide, and extending along the northerly side of One Hundred and Thirtieth street, from Third to Lexington avenue, was taken.

The owner of that strip, also owned the parcel in the rear extending to the river. In fact, they owned that entire block, and a great deal of testimony was taken relative to the damages which the balance of the block would sustain by reason of its being deprived of any frontage whatever on One Hundred and Thirtieth street.

On the south side of the river, east of third avenue, the owners claimed to own from One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street running through to the bulkhead line of the Harlem river, while the City claimed that under the language of the grants theretofore made by the City to these owners it had reserved and excepted out of the grants such portions of the granted premises as laid within the lines of what is generally known as the "Southard" exterior street.

It was also claimed by the City's counsel that under the peculiar language of the reservation clauses contained in the grants, the City was entitled to take in this proceeding all the lands in said street shown on the map of the approach without making compensation therefor.

It was also claimed by the City's counsel that the Dock Department having made and filed a plan for the improvement of the water front between Second and Third avenues, showing a proposed marginal street one hundred and twenty-five feet in width, and the plan having been approved by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, the making and filing of such plans showing such street operated to divest the title of these owners to the land in said street under the clause of reservation or exception contained in the grants and vested it in the City.

The questions thus raised, and which the Commissioners were necessarily called upon to determine, were undoubtedly the most complicated which have ever arisen in condemnation proceedings.

The owners were represented by a large number of different lawyers, and the questions thus raised were discussed by them and by counsel for the City at great length, and a large amount of time was necessarily consumed by the Commissioners in disposing of the complicated questions thus raised.

On the north side of the river the property condemned ran from the river to the junction of Third avenue and Lincoln avenue, six blocks, and embracing thirty-seven parcels.

Nearly all of the lots had buildings upon them, and in nearly every instance the City took only a portion of the lot, taking off the frontage, and in some instances running through the middle of the buildings.

On the north side of the river the approach proper to the bridge begins at One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street with the grade of that street, and gradually ascends so that at the shore of the river on the north side it will be about 18 feet above the old grade of Third avenue.

Therefore, from One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street to the river the property remaining on the east side of Third avenue will have in front of it a masonry wall varying in height from noth-

ing to 18 feet, and considerable testimony was taken relative to the effect such wall would have upon the remaining portions of the Third avenue lots. The entire proceeding bristled with all sorts of complex questions.

The statutory fees of the Commissioners were taxed by the Court as follows:

Mr. Leventritt—	
580 days, at \$6 per day.....	\$3,480 00
395 days, at \$10 per day.....	3,950 00
975 days.....	\$7,430 00
Mr. Bowe—	
579 days, at \$6 per day.....	\$3,474 00
394 days, at \$10 per day.....	3,940 00
973 days.....	\$7,414 00
Mr. Ingraham—	
574 days, at \$6 per day.....	\$3,444 00
391 days, at \$10 per day.....	3,910 00
965 days.....	\$7,354 00

In special cases in which the Court has fixed the extra compensation to be paid to the Commissioners in intricate and difficult cases there has been allowed double the statutory fees.

I think that this rule would be a fair and reasonable one to adopt in the present case, and I therefore recommend that the application of the Commissioners be granted, and that they each be allowed the sum of \$7,500, as extra compensation in addition to their statutory taxed costs.

Yours, very truly,

FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 413 of the Laws of 1892, as amended by chapter 716 of the Laws of 1896, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby audits and allows as additional fees to be paid to David Leventritt, Peter Bowe and Arthur Ingraham, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the matter of acquiring title to lands required for the construction of a drawbridge over the Harlem river and approaches thereto at Third avenue, the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) each, and

Resolved, That, for the purpose of providing means therefor the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized, pursuant to said acts, to issue 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-two thousand five hundred dollars (\$22,500), bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum, and redeemable from time to time, but not less than twenty years after the date thereof.

Which were adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, December 1, 1897.

Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—I have to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 24th instant, stating that the Commissioner of Street Cleaning has said to you that in connection with his proposed plan of final disposition at Riker's Island, he employed Mr. Christopher Gulman, the patentee of certain inventions which it was proposed to lease, to prepare plans therefor, and to perform services in connection with the preliminary work necessary to make that plan operative.

It is further stated that the Commissioner desires to provide for the payment of Mr. Gulman's services out of the proceeds of bonds authorized to be issued by chapter 368 of the Laws of 1894, by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, for new stock and plant, on the theory that such services were as closely connected with the acquisition of new stock and plant as an architect's services are related to the construction of a new building. Entertaining doubts whether the language of the law is susceptible of such a liberal interpretation, you ask my advice in regard thereto.

The exact phraseology of the section in question is as follows:

"In no case, except as in this section provided, shall the amount expended by the commissioner of street cleaning exceed the amount appropriated for the said department by the board of estimate and apportionment, but, for the more effectual carrying out of the provisions of this act, the said commissioner of street cleaning may, with the approval of the board of estimate and apportionment, purchase or construct stock or plant, including housed dumping-boards or places or buildings or structures necessary for any purpose pertaining to the business of the department, of durable character, intended to be used for a term of years, to be paid for by the issue and sale of bonds."

I understand that the services rendered by Mr. Gulman had to do with the erection of a plant at Riker's Island, the object of which was to secure a cheap and efficacious mode of disposing of street-cleaning material other than garbage.

It will be noted that the statute above quoted authorizes the issue of bonds for the construction of stock or plant of this nature, and it seems to me that it will not involve a very strained construction of such statute to hold that expenses incurred for services rendered in connection with the elaboration of a plan for the construction of such a plant may be legitimately paid for out of proceeds of bonds, when their issue has been duly authorized by the Board of Estimate.

I am, yours respectfully,

FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation.

Ordered on file.

The Comptroller presented the following:

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,
CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS,
NEW YORK, December 3, 1897.

To the Board of Education:

The Committee on Sites, to which was referred the following communication:

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, November 23, 1897.

Hon. CHARLES BULKLEY HUBBELL, President, Board of Education:

SIR—I have transmitted to the Comptroller certified copy of the report of the Commissioners in the matter of acquiring title to certain lands on the westerly side of Attorney street, between Rivington and Stanton streets, in the Eleventh Ward, as a site for school purposes, together with a certified copy of an order of the Supreme Court bearing date the 8th day of November, 1897, and filed and entered in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 19th day of November, 1897.

The aggregate amount of the awards is \$144,550, and the costs, charges and expenses of the proceeding, other than the fees of expert witnesses, were taxed at the sum of \$5,053.95.

Respectfully yours,

FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation.

—respectfully reports: That it appears from the report and order made in said proceeding that the amount of the awards and of the costs, charges and expenses (other than the fees of expert witnesses), as confirmed by the Court, is as follows:

Lands on the westerly side of Attorney street, between Rivington and Stanton streets, in the Eleventh Ward (Nos. 123 to 135, inclusive, Attorney street, making a plot 175 by 100 feet):	
Awards.....	\$144,550 00
Costs, charges and expenses (other than the fees of expert witnesses).....	5,053 95
Total.....	\$149,603 95

Your committee therefore recommends for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That, in pursuance of chapter 740 of the Laws of 1897, 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 on the westerly side of Attorney street, between Rivington and Stanton streets, in the Eleventh 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, and chapters 387 and 890 of the Laws of 1896, for the payment of the awards, costs, charges and expenses (other than the fees of expert witnesses), as confirmed by the Court in the proceeding therefor, amounting in the aggregate to the sum of one hundred and forty-nine thousand six hundred and three dollars and ninety-five cents (\$149,603.95), 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 on November 29, 1897.

ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk of the Board of Education.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 740 of the Laws of 1897, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the requisition of the Board of Education by resolution adopted November 29, 1897, for the issue of School-house Bonds to the amount of one hundred and forty-nine thousand six hundred and three dollars and ninety-five cents (\$149,603.95), for the purpose of providing means to meet the expenditures necessary for the acquisition of the lands on the westerly side of Attorney street, between Rivington and Stanton streets, in the Eleventh Ward, as a site for school purposes, being amount of awards, one hundred and forty-four thousand five hundred and fifty dollars, and for costs, charges and expenses, five thousand and fifty-three dollars and ninety-five cents; and

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and hereby is authorized to issue such bonds to the amount of one hundred and forty-nine thousand six hundred and three dollars and ninety-five cents (\$149,603.95), as aforesaid, 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, redeemable in not less than ten nor more than fifty years from the date of issue, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum.

Which were adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Counsel to the Corporation—5.

On motion the Board resumed the consideration of the Final Estimate for 1898.

The estimates of the Free Libraries, County Clerk and Department of Street Improvements, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, were taken up and considered.

The Mayor presented the following:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, NO. 150 NASSAU STREET,
NEW YORK, December 6, 1897.

Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Mayor, Chairman, Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

DEAR SIR—I have the honor to submit the following list of streets for repaving with asphalt on the present pavement, in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 87 of the Laws of 1897:

	APPROXIMATE AREA.	APPROXIMATE COST.
Eleventh street, from Broadway to University place.....	Sq. Yds. 1,985	\$6,550 50
Eighteenth street, from Fifth avenue to Sixth avenue.....	3,120	10,296 00
Twelfth street, from University place to Fifth avenue.....	1,660	5,644 00
Hudson street, between the present asphalt strips from a line 50 feet south of the south house-line of Jay street to a line 366 feet northerly thereof; Jay street, from the west side of Hudson street to the west side of Staple street, and Staple street, from Jay street to a line 57 feet northerly thereof, from curb to curb.....	2,400	8,280 00
Forty-fifth street, from the east side of Madison avenue to the bridge over the rail tracks on Fourth avenue.....	970	3,249 50
East Broadway, from the west side of Jefferson street to west side of Clinton street, and Jefferson street, from north side of East Broadway to the north side of Henry street.....	1,640	5,986 00
	11,775	\$40,006 00

Very respectfully,

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

Referred to the Comptroller.

The following communication was received:

NO. 280 BROADWAY, ROOM "H,"
NEW YORK, December 3, 1897.

To the Honorable the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—Under the Greater New York Charter, the Coroners-elect for the Borough of the Bronx must assume the duties of their office on the first day of January, 1898.

The court-room and offices should be properly fitted up by that time, and the necessary books, stationery, etc., should be supplied.

The time is brief within which all this must be done, and we would respectfully request that your Honorable Board take immediate action to provide the means to accomplish the object in view.

Very respectfully,

ANTHONY MCOWEN.
T. M. LYNCH.

Ordered placed on file.

On motion, the Board adjourned to meet on Tuesday, December 7, 1897, at 11 o'clock A.M.
E. P. BARKER, Secretary.

CHANGE OF GRADE DAMAGE COMMISSION.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSION, ROOM 58, NO. 96 BROADWAY,
NEW YORK, FRIDAY, December 10, 1897, 3 o'clock P.M.

Present—Daniel Lord (Chairman), James M. Varnum and George W. Stephens, Commissioners.

Of Counsel—Robert C. Beatty, Esq., representing the Corporation Counsel; Messrs. McCarty and Baldwin, representing numerous claimants; Thomas Nolan, Esq., representing Claim 250 (Louis Klopfer).

The reading of the minutes of the proceedings of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

The Commissioners then handed down the following decisions:

Claim No. 683 (Ephraim C. Gates and others)—East side Webster avenue and west side Vanderbilt avenue; Block 1048, Ward Nos. 25, 48; damages claimed, \$20,000; award, \$15,000; counsel fee, \$100. Application to amend petition by including Ward No. 48 denied.

Claim No. 670 (Robert Edwards and another)—North side One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, between Mott and Railroad avenues; Block 1667, Ward Nos. 2, 11, 12; damages claimed, \$6,000; award, \$9,000; counsel fee, \$100. Motion to increase to conform to proof granted.

Claim No. 866 (Mauritz F. Westergren)—North side One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, between Morris and Railroad avenues; Block 1700, Ward Nos. 73, 75 and 76; damages claimed, \$7,500; award, \$3,250; counsel fee, \$75.

Claim No. 155 (Enoch C. Bell)—South side One Hundred and Forty-sixth street, between Morris and Railroad avenues; Block 1700, Ward Nos. 21, 23a and 23 or 24; damages claimed, \$3,150; award, \$1,500; counsel fee, \$60.

Claim No. 74 (Lillian L. Heimburg)—Nos. 478 and 480 East One Hundred and Forty-sixth street; Block 1700, Ward No. 35; damages claimed, \$4,000; award, \$2,500; counsel fee, \$60.

Claim No. 243 (Marie Bender)—No. 459 East One Hundred and Forty-sixth street; Block 1684, Ward No. 66; damages claimed, \$2,500; award, \$950; counsel fee, \$40.

Claim No. 375 (Charles H. Dietz)—North side One Hundred and Forty-sixth street, between Mott and Railroad avenues; Block 1684, Ward Nos. 63 and 64; damages claimed, \$2,500; award, \$1,700; counsel fee, \$60.

Claim No. 163 (George Graff)—North side One Hundred and Forty-sixth street, between Morris and Railroad avenues; Block 1684, Ward No. 49; damages claimed, \$1,500; award, \$500; counsel fee, \$40.

Claim No. 392 (Jacob Pfeiffer)—South side One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street, between Harlem Railroad and Webster avenue; Block 1252 and 1253, Ward Nos. 31, 37; damages claimed, \$10,000; award, \$7,250; counsel fee, \$100.

Claim No. 345 (Martin Caffish and another)—No. 708 East One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street; Block 1251, Ward No. 36; damages claimed, \$2,500; award, \$1,000; counsel fee, \$60.

Claim No. 325 (John H. Will)—On either side Brook avenue, north side One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street; Blocks 1246 and 1247, Ward Nos. 59 and 2; damages claimed, \$4,000; award, \$3,500; counsel fee, \$75.

Claim No. 585 (George P. Eberle)—No. 709 East One Hundred and Seventieth street; Block 1218, Ward No. 4; damages claimed, \$3,000; award, \$250; counsel fee, \$25.

Claim No. 507 (Elizabeth F. Andrews)—No. 711 and 713 East One Hundred and Seventieth street, Block 1218, Wards Nos. 1 and 2; damages claimed, \$3,000; award, \$500; counsel fee, \$40.

Claim No. 700 (Mary Ann Hamann)—No. 722 East One Hundred and Seventy-third street; Block 1209, Ward No. 32; damages claimed, \$1,500; award, \$760; counsel fee, \$40.

Claim No. 460 (John McCarty)—North side One Hundred and Seventy-third street, between Vanderbilt and Webster avenues; Block 1180, Ward No. 1; damages claimed, \$1,000; award, \$325; counsel fee, \$25.

Claim No. 559 (Michael Coyle)—North side One Hundred and Seventy-fourth street and Webster avenue, between One Hundred and Seventy-fourth and One Hundred and Seventy-fifth streets; Block 1173, Ward No. 1; damages claimed, \$2,500; award, \$1,000; counsel fee, \$60.

Claim No. 393 (Elizabeth Schmid)—South side One Hundred and Seventy-fourth street, corner Webster avenue; Block 1180, Ward Nos. 20, 22; damages claimed, \$3,000; award, \$900; counsel fee, \$40.

Claim No. 470 (Rev. James F. A. Donahue)—North side One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street, between Vanderbilt and Webster avenues; Block 1153, Ward No. 70; damages claimed, \$3,000; award, \$800; counsel fee, \$40.

Claim No. 529 (Charles Heylman)—No. 711 East One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street; Block 1118, Ward No. 73; damages claimed, \$1,500; award, \$800; counsel fee, \$40.

Claim No. 530 (Charles Heylman)—No. 713 East One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street; Block 1118, Ward No. 72; damages claimed, \$2,500; award, \$1,200; counsel fee, \$60.

Claim No. 454 (The Guiding Star Lodge, No. 565 of New York)—No. 719 Tremont avenue; Block 1118, Ward No. 68; damages claimed, \$5,000; award, \$3,000; counsel fee, \$75.

Claim No. 485 (Rufus B. Randall)—No. 721 East One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street; Block 1118, Ward No. 67; damages claimed, \$2,000; award, \$2,000; counsel fee, \$60.

Claim No. 524 (Albert L. David)—No. 727 Tremont avenue; Block 1118, Ward No. 65; damages claimed, \$2,000; award, \$1,500; counsel fee, \$60.

Claim No. 331 (Walter E. Andrews)—No. 729 East One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street; Block 1118, Ward No. 64A; damages claimed, \$6,000; award, \$2,250; counsel fee, \$60.

Claim No. 613 (William Schott)—Nos. 731-733 East One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street; Block 1118, Ward No. 62; damages claimed, \$4,000; award, \$800; counsel fee, \$40.

Claim No. 463 (William Clarke)—North side Tremont avenue, east side Washington avenue; Block 1118, Ward Nos. 61 and 59; damages claimed, \$5,000; award, \$2,250; counsel fee, \$60.

Claim No. 604 (The Trustees of the Upper Morrisania M. E. Church)—South side One Hundred and Seventy-eighth street, between Washington and Vanderbilt avenues; Block 1118, Ward No. 36; damages claimed, \$3,000; award, \$1,750; counsel fee, \$60.

Claim No. 605 (The Trustees of the Upper Morrisania M. E. Church)—South side One Hundred and Seventy-eighth street, between Washington and Vanderbilt avenues; Block 1118, Ward No. 38; damages claimed, \$10,000; award, \$5,500; counsel fee, \$100.

Claim No. 397 (Susana J. Cowan)—West side Vanderbilt avenue corner One Hundred and Seventy-ninth street; Block 1110, Ward No. 81; damages claimed, \$1,000; award, \$400; counsel fee, \$25.

Claim No. 896 (Peter N. Kotowski)—North side Talmage street, between Washington avenue and Vanderbilt avenue, East; Block 1086, Ward No. 131; damages claimed, \$1,500; award, \$500; counsel fee, \$40.

Claim No. 323 (Robert I. Lomas, Jr.)—North side One Hundred and Eightieth street, between Washington and Vanderbilt avenues, East; Block 1086, Ward Nos. 134 and 135; damages claimed, \$1,000; award, \$250; counsel fee \$25.

Claim No. 329 (Henry Boak, as trustee)—South side One Hundred and Eighty-third street, between Washington and Vanderbilt avenues; Block 1067, Ward No. 31; damages claimed, \$2,000; award, \$1,100; counsel fee, \$60.

Claim No. 438 (Jennie Stephens and Helen Houston)—South side One Hundred and Eighty-third street, between Washington and Vanderbilt avenues; Block 1067, Ward No. 32; damages claimed \$2,000; award, \$1,100; counsel fee \$60.

Claim No. 334 (John F. Dowd)—No. 696 East One Hundred and Eighty-third street; Block 1067, Ward Nos. 34 and 36; damages claimed, \$4,500; award, \$1,450; counsel fee, \$60.

Claim No. 328 (Caroline F. Baack)—South side One Hundred and Eighty-third street, corner Washington avenue; Block 1067, Ward No. 37; damages claimed, \$3,750; award, \$1,750; counsel fee, \$60.

Claim No. 511 (Daniel Sheehan)—No. 1506 Vanderbilt avenue, East; Block 1215, Ward No. 1; damages claimed, \$2,500; award, \$350; counsel fee \$25.

Claim No. 405 (Susan M. Jones)—Nos. 1524, 1526 and 1528 Vanderbilt avenue, East; Block 1215, Ward No. 10; damages claimed \$5,500; award, \$2,300; counsel fee, \$60.

Claim No. 268 (Mary T. Gavigan)—No. 1532 Vanderbilt avenue, East; Block 1215, Ward No. 13; damages claimed, \$5,000; award, \$2,000; counsel fee, \$60.

Claim No. 295 (Harriet S. Odell)—No. 1584 Vanderbilt avenue, East; Block 1214, Ward No. 12; damages claimed, \$2,500; award, \$1,450; counsel fee \$60.

Claim No. 553 (David Mayer, executor)—No. 1640 Vanderbilt avenue, East; Block 1209, Ward No. 11; damages claimed, \$3,000; award, \$1,250; counsel fee, \$60.

Claim No. 882 (Charles E. Drake)—East side Vanderbilt avenue southeast corner One Hundred and Seventy-third street; Block 1209, Ward No. 22; damages claimed, \$4,000; award, \$1,500; counsel fee, \$60.

Claim No. 285 (Mary A. Paine)—No. 1822 Vanderbilt avenue; between One Hundred and Seventy-fifth and One Hundred and Seventy-sixth streets; Block 1152; Ward No. 7; damages claimed, \$4,500; award, \$1,000; counsel fee, \$60.

The Commissioners then proceeded with the trial of the following claims:

No. 412 (Fanny A. Dodge); No. 250 (Louis Klopfer); No. 537 and No. 538 (Bertha Volkenning); No. 561 (Doris Rauter); No. 685 (Josephine L. Peyton); No. 794 (Thomas K. Snyder); No. 796 (George F. Mellert); No. 826 (Edward Dart); No. 312 (Edward Deicke); No. 482 (Jakobina F. Fischer); and No. 413 (Joseph Devling and another).

The Commission then adjourned to Monday, December 13, 1897, at 2 o'clock P. M.

LAMONT McLOUGHLIN, Clerk.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSION, ROOM 58, No. 96 BROADWAY, }
NEW YORK, MONDAY, December 13, 1897, 2 o'clock, P. M. }

Present—Daniel Lord (Chairman), James H. Varnum and George W. Stephens, Commissioners.

Of Counsel—Robert C. Beatty, Esq., representing the Corporation Counsel; Messrs. McCarty & Baldwin, representing numerous claimants; Thomas S. Bassford, Esq., representing numerous claimants.

The reading of the minutes of the proceedings of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

The Commissioners duly signed certificates of award in each of the following claims and instructed the clerk to file the same in the Comptroller's office:

No. 285 (Mary A. Paine); No. 882 (Charles E. Drake); No. 295 (Harriet S. O'Dell); No. 268 (Mary T. Gavigan); No. 405 (Susan M. Jones); No. 511 (Daniel Sheehan); No. 328 (Caroline F. Baack); No. 334 (John F. Dowd); No. 458 (Jennie Stephens and Helen Houston); No. 329 (Henry Boak, as trustee); No. 323 (Robert I. Lomas, Jr.); No. 896 (Peter N. Kotowski); No. 397 (Susana J. Cowan); No. 604 and No. 605 (The Trustees of the Upper Morrisania M. E. Church); No. 463 (William Clarke); No. 613 (William Schott); No. 331 (Walter E. Andrews); No. 324 (Albert L. David); No. 485 (Rufus B. Randall); No. 454 (The Guiding Star Lodge, No. 565 of New York); No. 470 (Rev. James F. A. Donahue); No. 393 (Elizabeth Schmid); No. 460 (John McCarty); No. 700 (Mary Ann Hamann); No. 507 (Elizabeth F. Andrews); No. 588 (George P. Eberle); No. 325 (John H. Will); No. 345 (Martin Caffish and another); No. 392 (Jacob Pfeiffer); No. 375 (Charles H. Dietz); No. 243 (Marie Bender); No. 74 (New No. 164), Lillian L. Heimbarg; No. 155 (Enoch C. Bell); No. 866 (Mauritz F. Westergren); and No. 670 (Robert Edwards and another).

The Commissioners then proceeded with the trial of the following claims:

No. 683 (Ephraim C. Gates and others); Nos. 526, 529 and 530 (Charles Heilman); No. 685 (Josephine L. Peyton); and No. 826 (Edward Dart).

The Commission then adjourned to Wednesday, December 15, 1897, at 2 o'clock P. M.

LAMONT McLOUGHLIN, Clerk.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSION, ROOM 58, No. 96 BROADWAY, }
NEW YORK, WEDNESDAY, December 15, 1897, 2 o'clock P. M. }

Present—Daniel Lord (Chairman), and James M. Varnum, Commissioners.

Of counsel—Messrs. McCarty & Baldwin, representing numerous claimants.

The reading of the minutes of the proceedings of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

The Clerk stated that he had received a letter from Mr. Beatty stating that he was engaged before the Appellate Division and would be unable to be present to-day.

At the request of Mr. Baldwin the meeting was adjourned to Thursday, December 16, 1897, at 11 o'clock A. M.

The Commissioners signed certificates of award in Claims No. 683 (E. C. Gates and others), and No. 413 (Joseph Devling and others), and instructed the Clerk to file the same in the Comptroller's office.

The Commission then adjourned to Thursday, December 16, 1897, at 11 o'clock A. M.

LAMONT McLOUGHLIN, Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

At a special meeting of the Board of Docks, called in accordance with section 3, article 1 of the By-laws, held Thursday, December 30, 1897, at 11.30 o'clock A. M.

Present—The full Board.

The Board proceeded to open estimates on Contract No. 624, a representative of the Comptroller being present.

Five estimates were received, as follows:

Barth. S. Cronin, with security deposit of \$550 00.....	\$27,400 00
P. Sanford Ross, " 550 00.....	28,250 00
Bernard Rolf, " 550 00.....	26,363 00
William H. Jenks, " 550 00.....	26,131 00
George W. Rogers, " 550 00.....	24,875 00

On motion, the Secretary was directed to transmit to the Comptroller the security deposits made by the above bidders at the time of submitting their estimates, whereupon the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the contract opened this day for preparing for and extending Piers, new 20 and 21, North river, near the foot of Chambers and Duane streets, under Contract No. 624, be and is hereby awarded to George W. Rogers, he being the lowest bidder, subject to the approval of the sureties by the Comptroller.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

GEO. S. TERRY, Secretary.

At a meeting of the Board of Docks, held Thursday, December 30, 1897, at 12 o'clock M. Present—The full Board.

The minutes of December 14, 14, 16, 17, 21, 22, 23 and 28, 1897, were approved.

The following permit was granted, to continue during the pleasure of the Board:

Uriah Herrmann, to occupy offices formerly used by the Iron Steamboat Company on Pier, new No. 1, North river, compensation to be paid therefor at the rate of fifty dollars per month, payable monthly to the Treasurer, commencing December 28, 1897.

The following permits were granted, the work to be done under the supervision of the Engineer-in-Chief:

Burns Brothers, to lay backing-log in front of premises running north 200 feet from Delancey street, East river.

Brown & Fleming, to dredge under dumping-board foot of West Nineteenth street, North river.

Bridgeport Steamboat Company, to drive piles on the easterly end of Pier No. 39, East river, the work to be kept within existing lines.

New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company, to repair Pier 40, East river, the work to be kept within existing lines.

The following permits were granted on the usual terms:

Merritt & Chapman Derrick and Wrecking Company, to land reel of wire on bulkhead between Eighteenth and Nineteenth streets, North river; and to land piece of machinery and reel of wire on bulkhead at Forty-fourth street, North river.

The following communications were ordered on file:

From the Finance Department—

1st. Approving sureties on Contracts Nos. 606, 620, and 622.

2d. In reference to substitution of sureties on Contract No. 613.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby granted for the substitution of William P. Greenlie as surety in the place of Alfred J. Murray on the estimate of Edward S. Walsh, contractor, for preparing for and building a cribwork bulkhead extension on top of the present cribwork at Riker's Island, East river, under Contract No. 613.

From the Counsel to the Corporation:

1st. Approving forms of Contracts Nos. 614 and 624.

2d. Returning agreements with the Rhinelander heirs for the improvement of the water-front at Barclay street and Park place, North river, together with forms of proposed working agreements, approved as to form.

On motion, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted by the affirmative votes of President O'Brien and Commissioners Einstein and Monks:

Resolved, That the Engineer-in-Chief be and is hereby directed to proceed with the execution of the new plan from the southerly side of Pier, old 25, North river, at or near the foot of Barclay street, northerly a distance of about one hundred and thirty-seven feet; and also that he be and hereby is directed to proceed with the construction of sufficient concrete base blocks for the bulkhead or river-wall on the North river, extending from the southerly side of Pier, old 25, North river, at or near the foot of Barclay street, northerly a distance of about one hundred and thirty-seven feet; also that he be and is hereby directed to proceed with the construction of about one hundred and thirty-seven feet of said bulkhead or river-wall northerly from the southerly side of Pier, old 25, North river, and that all the work hereby ordered, other than the dredging necessary, be performed otherwise than by contract, as provided by section 714 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, as amended by chapter 829 of the Laws of 1895, and that it be done by the force of the Department by days' work, except to so much of the labor and material as is now or may hereafter be contracted for, and that all materials and tools necessary for the above-mentioned work of the wall, not heretofore contracted for, or which may not hereafter be contracted for, be purchased by the Treasurer otherwise than by contract.

Resolved, That the Engineer-in-Chief be and is hereby directed to proceed with the execution of the new plan from a point about one hundred and thirty-seven feet north of the southerly line of Pier, old 25, North river, northerly and across the site of Pier, old 27, North river, near the foot of Park place, a distance of about two hundred and twenty-seven feet; and also that he be and hereby is directed to proceed with the construction of sufficient concrete base blocks for the bulkhead or river-wall on the North river, extending from a point one hundred and thirty-seven feet north of the southerly side of Pier, old 25, northerly and across the site of Pier, old 27, North river, near the foot of Park place, a distance of about two hundred and twenty-seven feet; also that he be and is hereby directed to proceed with the construction of about two hundred and twenty-seven feet of said bulkhead or river-wall, northerly from a point one hundred and thirty-seven feet north of the south side of Pier, old 25, North river, and that all the work hereby ordered, other than the dredging necessary, be performed otherwise than by contract, as provided by section 714 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, as amended by chapter 829 of the Laws of 1895, and that it be done by the force of the Department by days' work, except so much of the labor and material as is now or may hereafter be contracted for, and that all materials and tools necessary for the above-mentioned work of the wall, not heretofore contracted for, or which may not hereafter be contracted for, be purchased by the Treasurer otherwise than by contract.

From the New York City Civil Service Commission—Certifying that William J. Fay passed an examination on June 21, 1897, for the position of Messenger.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That William J. Fay, who has been duly certified by the New York City Civil Service Commission as eligible, be and is hereby promoted to the position of Messenger in this Department, with compensation at the rate of one hundred dollars per month, to take effect December 30, 1897.

From the Cunard Steamship Company, White Star Line, and Sanderson & Sons, agents for the Wilson Line of Steamers—Accepting terms of the resolutions adopted at a meeting of the Board of Docks held on the 23d instant, leasing to said companies certain piers and bulkheads, between West Eleventh and Gansevoort streets, North river.

From the American Surety Company—Consenting to the extension of time on Contract No. 556.

From the Union Ice Company—Transmitting consent of one of the sureties to the assignment of the lease of bulkhead between Piers, new 54 and 55, North river.

From Alderman Goodman—In reference to the resolution introduced in the Board of Aldermen to allow this Department to arrange for heating and lighting the recreation structures without advertising.

From the Consolidated Canal and Lake Company—Submitting plans for the erection of a shed on the bulkhead between Fifty-third and Fifty-fourth streets, North river.

On motion, said plans were approved as amended in red.

From Borden & Lovell, agents—Requesting remission of rental for land under water between Piers 18 and 19, North river.

On motion, the Treasurer was authorized to charge off the sum of \$499.38, quarterly, commencing December 20, 1897, for said land under water of which the Department took possession on or about that date.

From Patrick Costello—Requesting an extension of time to complete the work of paving under Contract No. 593.

On motion, the Secretary was directed to notify said Costello that a final estimate for said work would not be given until payment was received by this Department for scows rented him in order to hasten the completion of the contract, and the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the time for the completion of the work of paving and repaving in the vicinity of West Fifty-first street, North river, under Contract No. 593, Patrick Costello, contractor, be and hereby is extended to December 5, 1897, provided the written consent of the sureties on said contract is filed in this Department.

From the Compagnie Generale Transatlantique—Requesting this Department to repair Pier 42, North river, and agreeing to pay the cost thereof.

On motion, the Engineer-in-Chief was directed to make said repairs and to report the cost thereof for collection from said company.

From the American Bonding and Trust Company—Requesting to be advised as to the present status of Contract No. 593, Class II. Secretary directed to furnish the information.

From James Veitch—Requesting a reduction of rental from December 1, 1897, to May 1, 1898, for the use of land under water at One Hundred and Sixty-second street, North river.

On motion, the compensation for the period named was reduced to \$4.17 per month, the rent for the balance of the year to remain as heretofore, viz., \$8.34 per month.

From Stephen Williams—Requesting a lease of about 1,000 feet of wharf property in the vicinity of West Forty-fourth street, North river. Secretary directed to reply.

From the Cunard Steamship Company—Requesting this Department to drive a number of piles inside of the line of the bulkhead wall at Jane and Gansevoort streets, North river, to support the sheds to be erected on piers foot of said streets.

On motion, the Engineer-in-Chief was directed to do the work, and to report the cost thereof for collection from said company.

From Barber & Company—Requesting the use of south side of Pier, new No. 1, North river. On motion, the following resolution was adopted: Resolved, That permission be and hereby is granted Barber & Company to use and occupy, during the pleasure of the Board, berth at the south side of Pier, new No. 1, North river, compensation to be paid therefor at the rate of thirty-five dollars per day, payable weekly at the end of each week to the Treasurer, commencing December 28, 1897.

From the Dock Superintendent—

1st. Report for the week ending December 25, 1897.

2d. Stating that Department took possession of Pier, new 1, North river, on the 28th instant.

From the Treasurer—

Reporting his inability to collect certain claims.

On motion, same were ordered to be transmitted to the Counsel to the Corporation, as follows:

White Star Towing Company, cost of repairs to pier at East Thirty-first street.....	\$30 63
New York Harbor Towing Company, cost of repairs to Battery landing.....	75 26
Jones & Brosnan, 1 quarter's rent, December 1, 1897, to March 1, 1898, for land under water for platform between Barretto's and Hunt's Point, Long Island Sound.....	33 63
William Brooks Sons' Company, 1 quarter's rent, November 1, 1897, to February 1, 1898, for northerly 83 feet of bulkhead between Forty-ninth and Fiftieth streets, North river.....	125 00
Iron Steamboat Company, rent of Pier, new No. 1, North river, November 1 to December 27, 1897.....	5,481 37
Isaac Goodstein's Sons, for wharfage.....	68 00
East Bay Land and Improvement Company, filled-in land in vicinity of Leggett's Creek, Long Island Sound, six months, to November 1, 1897.....	34,750 00

From the Engineer-in-Chief—

1st. Report for week ending December 25, 1897.

2d. Stating that no repairs have yet been made to bulkhead between Jackson and Corlears streets, East river, ordered December 13, 1897.

3d. Reporting the commencement of work on Classes I. and II. of Contract No. 609.

4th. Reporting completion of work under Contract No. 611.

5th. Recommending that Shanley & Ryan be directed to erect a backing-log twelve inches above the present grade of street in the vicinity of Delancey street, East river.

6th. Recommending the attention of the Department of Public Works be called to the condition of the pavement at East and Tompkins streets. Recommendation adopted.

7th. Reporting non-commencement of dredging in front of the bulkhead at One Hundred and Thirtieth street, North river.

On motion, the Engineer-in-Chief was directed to dredge thereat and report cost thereof for collection from the Riverside and Fort Lee Ferry Company.

8th. Recommending the order to take up existing pavement on site of proposed shed between Fifty-third and Fifty-fourth streets, North river, be revoked, and that he be directed to prepare specifications and form of contract for a strip 50 feet wide outside of the proposed site of said shed. Recommendation adopted.

9th. Recommending that an extension of time be granted under Classes I. and II. of Contract No. 599.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the time for the completion of the deliveries under Contract No. 599, Classes I. and II., Murray & Company and Brown & Fleming, contractors, respectively, be and is hereby extended to January 31, 1898, provided the written consent of the sureties on said contract is filed in this Department.

10th. Report on Secretary's Order No. 17294, recommending that he be directed to prepare specifications and form of contract for the necessary dredging and plans, specifications and form of contract for building Pier at foot of Fordham avenue, Harlem river. Recommendation adopted.

11th. The Engineer-in-Chief returned Secretary's Orders Nos. 14158, 14170 and 17342.

On motion of Commissioner Einstein, the following preamble and resolution were adopted: Whereas, Under date of May 27, 1897, the Auditing Committee reported to the Board that it had fixed the compensation of Mr. Edward H. Kendall, Consulting Architect, at the rate of five per cent. on the cost of work done in accordance with plans and specifications and detailed drawings submitted by him; now be it

Resolved, That the pay of Mr. Edward H. Kendall, Consulting Architect, for partial services performed, be and hereby is fixed in accordance with the charges of the American Institute of Architects.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the compensation of John A. Dunize, Draughtsman, be and is hereby fixed at the rate of one thousand eight hundred dollars per annum, commencing January 1, 1898.

The Treasurer submitted statement from Chief Clerk in reference to the rental charged to Greenpoint Ferry Company for use of bulkhead south of East Twenty-fourth street.

On motion, the matter was referred to the Counsel to the Corporation for his opinion as to the proper action to be taken by this Board in the matter.

The report of Commissioner Monks, in reference to the system of separating sewers from piers and bulkheads, and more particularly in relation to the application to the Department of Public Works for permission to start sewer under Pier, new 36, North river, was taken from the table and ordered to be spread fully on the minutes, as follows:

Honorable Board Dock Commissioners:

DEAR SIRS—Relative to the matter of sea-wall penetration for the proper disposal of sewage at the foot of West Twenty-sixth street, I have the honor to make the following report:

As the subject in question is one of vital importance, directly affecting the health of the community, and, in my opinion, should be given early and earnest consideration and every effort made to obtain proper result, I think it expedient that the sea-wall be penetrated at the point above referred to, in order that the proper outlet could be effected.

The matter to be disposed of should be conducted through the sea-wall at the inner end of the pier through a thoroughly airtight and strongly constructed system of piping, to be thus conveyed off by the flow of the tide. This result cannot be properly affected for any length of time by our present system of box or barrel sewers, they being inefficient, owing to the method of construction and materials employed.

My opinion is additionally strengthened by the numerous complaints which the Board of Health have from time to time lodged against this method.

This system was inaugurated a great many years ago, and while at the time it met the demands put upon it, it has long since ceased to be of proper service.

In order that my views on this subject may be entirely understood, I will give you a synopsis of the box-sewer system.

The box sewer, as the name indicates, is a wooden box running from the sewer outlet at the bulkhead to the end of the pier, where, theoretically speaking, the sewer should be discharged through the open end. It is square in section, constructed of yellow pine, laid longitudinally, and is framed on the outside so as to afford a smooth inner surface for the discharge of the sewage matter. The seams and joints of the box are given a coat of tar in order to make them airtight, but the weather and other causes acting on the wood produces decay and openings between the joints, thus allowing a great deal of decomposed substance to be deposited under the pier and into the side of the slip.

This is a source of disease to people whose pursuits compel them to be about the piers in question.

Several of the steamship companies can testify to the fact of their dock laborers being ill, presumably caused by gas, etc., arising from this foul deposit.

We have at present about one hundred and thirty sewers discharging into the East, Harlem, and North rivers. Many of those are box or barrel sewers.

I now wish to emphasize the fact that these sewers were built with the intention of carrying the sewage into the tide water. An inspection of our water front in the slips and about the bulkheads will show how this system has failed in its purposes. A conservative estimate would be that 60 per cent. of these sewers discharge through leaks at the bulkhead and under the pier. Some of the slips fill up every few years so as to necessitate dredging. Numerous complaints from our steamship companies and pier lessees will show how expensive this has been to them and the City. Also how annoying to their patrons, without considering the detriment to the health of their employees.

A notable instance of this is the box sewer under Pier 25, East River, leased by the New Haven Steamboat Company; this came under my personal observation. The box sewer runs the entire length of the pier and the leaking matter has formed a ridge that is exposed at low water. If this is the effect in one pier only, it can be readily seen that a vast quantity is constantly filling up our slips, causing them to be a constant menace to the health of the community.

In addition to the defects already named in our box or barrel sewer system, I would add, first, the open out end of the box sewer, with the exception of a few that are hooded, and, second, the manner of supporting the box sewer on the bearing piles of the pier. The open outer end is the most serious objection; the reason for it is as follows: The sewer discharges at the end, which is at an elevation midway between high and low water mark, consequently at low water the end is entirely uncovered. A strong current of wind from the river can blow directly into this box through the open end, the box acting as a funnel or conductor and producing a back air current. It is obvious, without further explanation, that this back draft will force the sewer gas through the pipes into the surrounding houses and culverts.

I would suggest, as a remedy for this, that the outer end of sewers be closed, and the discharge vent be placed at the bottom of the boxes; also having the top of the boxes properly vented at the outer end.

My objection to supporting the sewer-boxes on the bearing-piles of the pier is simply a matter of construction, and could be overcome by simply having the sewer supported on a separate system of piles, having no connection with the pier at any point. No injury could then occur through the impact to pier by vessels. It would also remove one of the chief causes of leakages.

My objections to the present can be summed up in the following:

First—The sewage is partly discharged through leakages in the sewer at the bulkhead in place of the open-mouth and tide-water, as proposed.

Second—When it is discharged through the open end there is left during half-tide a space which admits the river winds or air currents to force sewer-gas back into culverts, etc., thereby becoming a source of annoyance and danger.

The primary object of this sewer is to promote the health and cleanliness of the city, in place of which there is a source of filth and its accompanying diseases. They have not served their purpose, and should be relegated to the past with other obsolete contrivances.

They are inadequate for the purpose for which they were designed, and should be condemned without further delay.

I have the honor to submit herewith a substitute that, after careful study, I can safely state will fully answer the purpose.

Very respectfully, yours,

(Signed)

JOHN MONKS, Commissioner.

Commissioner Monks submitted the following communication, which was ordered on file:

NEW YORK, December 29, 1897.

Honorable Board of Dock Commissioners, City of New York:

GENTLEMEN—Referring to the report submitted by me at the meeting of the Board held December 23, 1897, in reference to the construction of sewers, I beg to state that I have applied for a patent on the system advocated in said report, and should a patent be granted I am willing to stipulate, in writing, that the City of New York is to have full use of same free of charge, and I ask that this offer be inserted in the minutes.

Yours respectfully,

(Signed)

JOHN MONKS.

The Secretary reported that the pay-roll for the General Repairs and Construction Forces for the week ending December 24, 1897, amounting to \$7,516.11, had been approved, audited and transmitted to the Finance Department for payment.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

GEO. S. TERRY, Secretary.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

APPOINTMENTS MADE BY THE MAYOR.

CITY OF NEW YORK, OFFICE OF THE MAYOR.

JANUARY 15, 1898.

Nathaniel Marsh, a resident and elector of the Borough of Richmond, to be a City Magistrate of the Second Division of the City of New York, for a term expiring on the 31st day of December, 1905.

JANUARY 18, 1898.

The foregoing appointment made by the Mayor is, by his direction, transmitted to you for publication in the CITY RECORD.

A. M. DOWNES, Secretary.

REMOVALS.

Know all men by these presents, that I, Robert A. Van Wyck, Mayor of the City of New York, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, it being my judgment that the public interests so require, do hereby remove each of the following-named persons, viz.:

Salem H. Wales, Richard Deeves, Francis B. Thurber, Andrew D. Baird, James A. Sperry and Henry Batterman

—from the office of Commissioner created by and existing under and pursuant to chapter 789 of the Laws of 1895, entitled "An Act to authorize the construction of a bridge over the East river, between the cities of New York and Brooklyn," and the several acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, said removals to take effect immediately.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal of office this nineteenth day of January, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

[SEAL.]

ROBT. A. VAN WYCK, Mayor.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, January 19, 1898.

By direction of the Mayor the foregoing order of removal is transmitted for publication in the CITY RECORD.

A. M. DOWNES, Secretary to the Mayor.

CITY OF NEW YORK, OFFICE OF THE MAYOR.

APPOINTMENTS MADE BY THE MAYOR.

JANUARY 19, 1898.

John W. Weber, James W. Boyle, Lewis Nixon, Julian D. Fairchild, Smith E. Lane, Thomas S. Moore, to the office of Commissioner created by and existing under and pursuant to chapter 789 of the Laws of 1895, entitled "An Act to authorize the construction of a bridge over the East river, between the cities of New York and Brooklyn," and the several acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto.

JANUARY 19, 1898.

The foregoing list of appointments made by the Mayor is, by his direction, transmitted for publication in the CITY RECORD.

A. M. DOWNES, Secretary.

CITY OF NEW YORK, OFFICE OF THE MAYOR.

APPOINTMENTS MADE BY THE MAYOR.

JANUARY 19, 1898.

SCHOOL BOARD, BOROUGH OF RICHMOND.

George T. Egbert, Mariner's Harbor, N. Y., three years.
Frank Perlet, West New Brighton, N. Y., three years.
Thomas J. Flannigan, Stapleton, N. Y., three years.
John T. Burke, New Brighton, N. Y., two years.
Emil Bottger, Port Richmond, N. Y., two years.
Samuel Anderson, Stapleton, N. Y., two years.
William J. Cole, Clifton, N. Y., one year.
Thomas Vaughan, Roseville, N. Y., one year.
John Finley, Rosebank, N. Y., one year.

SCHOOL BOARD, BOROUGH OF QUEENS.

For one year, George F. Spaeth, No. 257 Steinway avenue, Long Island City.
For one year, William G. Wainwright, Rockaway Beach, L. I.
For one year, Daniel Callahan, Long Island City, N. Y.
For two years, F. De Haas Simonson, Elmhurst, L. I.
For two years, Benjamin J. Brenton, Jamaica, L. I.
For two years, Fritz G. Pauly, College Point, L. I.
For three years, John S. Power, Woodside, L. I.
For three years, George Maure, Jamaica, L. I.
For three years, James A. McDonald, Flushing, L. I.

JANUARY 19, 1898.

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A. M. DOWNES, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,
BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN AND THE BRONX,
No. 220 FOURTH AVENUE,
NEW YORK, January 17, 1898

OPERATIONS FOR THE WEEK ENDING JANUARY 15, 1898.

Plans filed for new buildings, main office (estimated cost, \$1,108,000).....	27
Plans filed for new buildings, branch office (estimated cost, \$145,350).....	9
Plans filed for alterations, main office (estimated cost, \$55,100).....	14
Plans filed for alterations, branch office (estimated cost, \$4,700).....	7
Buildings reported as unsafe.....	55
Buildings reported for additional means of escape.....	13
Other violations of law reported.....	101
Unsafe building notices issued.....	93
Fire-escape notices issued.....	16
Violation notices issued.....	270
Unsafe building cases forwarded for prosecution.....	1
Fire-escape cases forwarded for prosecution.....	11
Violation cases forwarded for prosecution.....	144
Iron and steel inspections made.....	5,525
Complaints lodged with the Department.....	85

T. J. BRADY, Commissioner of Buildings for Boroughs of Manhattan and the Bronx.
WILLIAM H. CLASS, Chief Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF BRIDGES.

BOROUGH OF THE BRONX.

THIRD AVENUE AND ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SEVENTH STREET,
OFFICE OF DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
January 15, 1898.

To the Supervisor of the City Record:

SIR—In compliance with section 51 of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, the office of Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards makes the following report of its transactions for the week ending January 15, 1898:

Laboring Force Employed during the Week.

Foremen.....	2
Inspectors.....	2
Total.....	4

Total amount of requisitions drawn upon the Comptroller during the week..... \$87.00

Respectfully,

MATTHEW H. MOORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Bridges, Borough of the Bronx.

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC CHARITIES.

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC CHARITIES,
BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN AND QUEENS,
No. 29 ELM PLACE, BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN,
NEW YORK CITY, January 18, 1898.

CITY RECORD, New York City:

GENTLEMEN—You will kindly publish in the RECORD the following appointments, resignations, discharges and increases of salary, all of which have been made since January 1, 1898.

CENTRAL OFFICE.

Permanent Appointment.

Arthur A. Quinn, Deputy Commissioner.

Temporary Appointments.

There being no eligible list for the Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens.

CENTRAL OFFICE.

Charles Gannon, Investigator.....	\$83.33 per month.
James Vance, Investigator.....	83.33 "
Edward Stanton, Investigator.....	83.33 "
William Moran, M.D., Assistant Physician.....	50.00 "

HOSPITAL.

Kate F. Sharp, Pupil Nurse.....	\$8.00 per month.
Florence Morange, Pupil Nurse.....	8.00 "
Isabel Burrows, Pupil Nurse.....	8.00 "
Minnie E. Duck, Pupil Nurse.....	8.00 "
Mary J. Stewart, Pupil Nurse.....	8.00 "
Alice McNeil, Pupil Nurse.....	8.00 "
Carolyn Johnson, Pupil Nurse.....	8.00 "
Florence McKay, Pupil Nurse.....	8.00 "
Alberta Phillips, Pupil Nurse.....	8.00 "
Alicia Hibbard, Pupil Nurse.....	8.00 "
Katherine Hallinan, Pupil Nurse.....	8.00 "
Nielsine Neerman, Senior Nurse.....	25.00 "
Minnie Russell, Senior Nurse.....	25.00 "
Frank Carleton, Orderly.....	18.00 "
Otto Wolf, Orderly.....	18.00 "

Hospital Resignations and Discharges.

Daniel Ward, Elevator Operator, resigned.
Hugh Lane, Orderly, resigned.
Lillian Ritz, Pupil Nurse, resigned.
Joseph Johnson, Orderly, discharged.

Central Office Increases.

Patrick Urell, Investigator, from \$1,000 to \$1,200 per annum.

Hospital Increases.

Harvey T. Lewis, Clerk, from \$40 to \$50 per month.
William Noonan, Stenographer, \$18 to \$20 per month.

ALMSHOUSE.

Temporary Appointments.

Florence Treadwell, Assistant Matron, \$35 per month.

A. SIMIS, JR.,
Commissioner of Public Charities, Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS.

CITY OF NEW YORK,
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS,
THE ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK,
January 18, 1898.

Mr. WILLIAM A. BUTLER, Supervisor City Record:

SIR—Pursuant to section 1546 of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897, I beg to transmit herewith for

publication in the CITY RECORD, the following reinstatements made this day by Commissioner George C. Clausen for the Boroughs of Manhattan and Richmond:
Cornelius Bennett, Painter. (To take effect January 19, 1898.)
Thomas Ferguson, Harnessmaker.

Respectfully,
WILLIS HOLLY,
Secretary.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

Section 1528 of chapter 378, Laws of 1897 (the Consolidation Act of the City of New York), provides that "there shall be published in the CITY RECORD, within the month of January in each year, a list of all subordinates employed in any department (except laborers), with their salaries, and residences by street numbers, and all changes in such subordinates or salaries shall be so published within one week after they are made. It shall be the duty of all the heads of departments to furnish to the person appointed to supervise the publication of the CITY RECORD everything required to be inserted therein."

WILLIAM A. BUTLER, Supervisor City Record.

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.
ROBERT A. VAN WYCK, Mayor.
ALFRED M. DOWNES, Private Secretary.
Bureau of Licenses.
No. 1 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
DAVID J. ROCHE, Marshal.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSIONERS.

Room 209, Stewart Building, 5th floor, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
PETER J. DOOLING, MAURICE J. POWER, WILLIAM H. TEN EYCK, CHARLES H. MURRAY, and THE MAYOR, COMPTROLLER and PRESIDENT OF BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, *ex officio*, Commissioners; HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary, A. FTELEV, Chief Engineer.

BOARD OF ARMY COMMISSIONERS.
THE MAYOR, Chairman; PRESIDENT OF DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, Secretary.
Address: THOMAS L. FEITNER, Stewart Building.
Office hours, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS.
Rooms 114 and 115, Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN C. HEKLE and EDWARD OWEN.

MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY.

THE COUNCIL.

RANDOLPH GUGGENHEIMER, President of the Council
P. J. SCULLY, City Clerk.
BOARD OF ALDERMEN.
THOMAS F. WOOD, President.
MICHAEL F. BLAKE, Clerk.

BOROUGH PRESIDENTS.

AUGUSTUS W. PETERS, Borough of Manhattan. Office Rooms, 10, 11, 12, City Hall.
LOUIS F. HOFFEN, Borough of the Bronx.
EDWARD M. GROUT, Borough of Brooklyn.
FREDERICK BOWLEY, Borough of Queens.

BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.

No. 346 Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
MAURICE F. HOLAHAN, President.
JOHN H. MOONEY, Secretary.
Department of Highways.
No. 150 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JAMES P. KEATING, Commissioner of Highways.
WILLIAM N. SHANNON, Deputy for Manhattan.
THOMAS R. FARRELL, Deputy for Brooklyn.
JAMES P. MALONEY, Deputy for Bronx.
HENRY P. MORRISON, Deputy and Chief Engineer for Richmond.

Department of Sewers.

No. 150 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JAMES KANE, Commissioner of Sewers.
MATTHEW F. DONOHUE, Deputy for Manhattan.
THOMAS J. BYRNES, Deputy for Bronx.
WILLIAM BRENNAN, Deputy for Brooklyn.

Department of Bridges.

No. 150 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN L. SHEA, Commissioner.
THOMAS H. YORK, Deputy for Manhattan.
MATTHEW H. MOORE, Deputy for Bronx.
HARRY BEAM, Deputy for Brooklyn.

Department of Water Supply.

No. 150 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WILLIAM DALTON, Commissioner of Water Supply.
JOHN J. MULLIGAN, Deputy Commissioner for the Bronx.
JAMES MOFFETT, Deputy Commissioner for Brooklyn.

Department of Street Cleaning.

Leonard street, corner Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JAMES MCCARTNEY, Commissioner of Street Cleaning.
PATRICK H. QUINN, Deputy Commissioner for Brooklyn.

Department of Buildings, Lighting and Supplies.

No. 346 Broadway, Room 1142, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
HENRY S. KEARNEY, Commissioner of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies.
JOHN J. RYAN, Deputy Commissioner for Manhattan.
WILLIAM WALTON, Deputy Commissioner for Brooklyn.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE.

Comptroller's Office.

Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
BIRD S. COLER, Comptroller.
MICHAEL T. DALY, Deputy Comptroller.
EDGAR I. LEVY, Assistant Deputy Comptroller.
DAVID E. AUSTEN, Receiver of Taxes.
John T. McDONOUGH, Deputy Receiver of Taxes.
EDWARD GILON, Collector of Assessments and Arrears.
WILLIAM J. LYON and ROBERT H. WEEMS, Expert Accountants.
WILLIAM MCKINNEY, First Auditor of Accounts in Brooklyn.
JAMES B. BOUCK, Deputy Receiver of Taxes.
MICHAEL O'KEEFE, Deputy Collector of Assessments and Arrears.
WALTER H. HOLT, First Auditor of Accounts in Richmond.
JOHN J. FETHERSTONE, Deputy Receiver of Taxes.
GEORGE BRANDT, Deputy Collector of Assessments and Arrears.

Bureau of the City Chamberlain.

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

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR.

No. 119 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WILLIAM M. HOES, Public Administrator.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Office of Corporation Counsel.

Staats-Zeitung Building, 3d and 4th floors, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.
JOHN WHALEN, Corporation Counsel
THEODORE CONNOLLY, W. W. LADD, Jr., CHARLES BLANDY, Assistants.
ALMET F. JENKS, Assistant Corporation Counsel for Brooklyn.

Bureau for Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes.
Stewart Building, Monroë and Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
ROBERT GRIER MONROE, Attorney.
MICHAEL J. DOUGHERTY, Clerk.

Bureau for the Recovery of Penalties.

Nos. 119 and 121 Nassau street.
ADRIAN T. KIERNAN, Assistant Corporation Counsel.
Bureau of Street Openings.
Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway.
JOHN P. DUNN and HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Assistants to Corporation Counsel.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Central Office.

No. 300 Mulberry street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
BERNARD J. YORK, President of the Board; THOMAS L. HAMILTON, Secretary; JOHN B. SEXTON, WILLIAM H. PHILIPS, Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES.

Central Office.

No. 66 Third avenue, corner Eleventh street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN W. KELLER, President of the Board; Commissioner for Manhattan and Bronx.
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JAMES FEENEY, Commissioner for Richmond.
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.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION.

Central Office.

No. 148 East Twentieth street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
FRANCIS J. LANTHY, Commissioner.
N. O. FANNING, Deputy Commissioner.
JAMES J. KIRWIN, Deputy Commissioner for Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

No. 146 Grand street, corner of Elm street.
CHARLES BULKLEY HUBBELL, President; ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk.

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Headquarters.

Nos. 157 and 159 East Sixty-seventh street.
JOHN J. SCANNELL, Fire Commissioner.
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AUGUSTUS T. DOCHARTY, Secretary.
HUGH BONNER, Chief of Department. GEO. E. MURRAY, Inspector of Combustibles; JAMES MITCHELL, Fire Marshal; WM. L. FINDLEY, Attorney to Department; J. ELLIOT SMITH, Superintendent of Fire Alarm Telegraph.
Central Office open at all hours.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.

New Criminal Court Building, Centre street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
NATHAN STRAUSS, President, and WILLIAM T. JENKINS, M. D., JOHN B. COSBY, M. D., the PRESIDENT OF THE POLICE BOARD, *ex officio*, and the HEALTH OFFICER OF THE PORT, *ex officio*, Commissioners; EMMONS CLARK, Secretary.

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Battery, Pier A, North river.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS.

Arsenal Building, Central Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 12 M.
GEORGE C. CLAUSEN, President, Commissioner in Manhattan and Richmond.
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DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

Fourth avenue corner Eighteenth street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
THOMAS J. BRADY, Commissioner in Manhattan and Bronx.
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Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 12 M.
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Office, No. 320 Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
EDWARD CAHILL, THOMAS A. WILSON, JOHN DELMAR, EDWARD MCCUE and PATRICK M. HAVERTY, Board of Assessors.

MUNICIPAL CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

Criminal Court Building, Centre street, between Franklin and White streets, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
CHARLES H. KNOX, President, ROBERT E. DEVO and WILLIAM N. DYKMAN, Commissioners.
LEE PHILLIPS, Secretary.

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SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
THOMAS J. DUNN, Sheriff; H. P. MULVANEY, Under Sheriff.

REGISTER'S OFFICE.

East side City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
ISAAC FROMME, Register; JOHN VON GLAHN, Deputy Register.

COMMISSIONER OF JURORS.

Room 127, Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN P. RICE, Commissioner.

SPECIAL COMMISSIONER OF JURORS.

No. 111 Fifth avenue.
H. W. GRAY, Commissioner.

N. Y. COUNTY JAIL.

No. 70 Ludlow street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
PATRICK H. PICKETT, Warden.

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE.

Nos. 7 and 8 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WILLIAM SCHMER, County Clerk.
GEORGE H. FAHRBACH, Deputy.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY.
New Criminal Court Building, Centre Street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
ASA BIRD GARDNER, District Attorney; HENRY W. UNGER, Chief Clerk.

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No. 32 Chambers street.
Meets every Thursday, at 2 P. M. Office, No. 220 Fourth avenue, sixth floor.

CHANGE OF GRADE DAMAGE COMMISSION.
TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH WARDS.
No. 96 Broadway (Room 58), New York City.
DANIEL LORD, Chairman; JAMES M. VARNUM, WILLIAM E. STILLINGS, Commissioners.
LAMONT McLOUGHLIN, Clerk.

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Borough of Richmond.
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SURROGATES' COURT.
New County Court-house, Court opens at 10.30 A. M.; adjourns 4 P. M.
FRANK T. FITZGERALD and JOHN H. V. ARNOLD, Surrogates; WILLIAM V. LEARY, Chief Clerk.

APPELLATE DIVISION, SUPREME COURT.
Court-house, No. 111 Fifth avenue, corner Eighteenth street. Court opens at 1 P. M.
CHARLES H. VAN BRUNT, Presiding Justice; GEORGE C. BARRETT, PARDON C. WILLIAMS, EDWARD PATTERSON, MORGAN J. O'BRIEN, GEORGE L. INGRAM, WILLIAM RUMSEY, JUSTICES. ALFRED WAGSTAFF, Clerk; WM. LAMB, JR., Deputy Clerk.

SUPREME COURT.
County Court-house, 10.30 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Special Term, Part I., Room No. 12.
Special Term, Part II., Room No. 15.
Special Term, Part III., Room No. 19.
Special Term, Part IV., Room No. 21.
Special Term, Part V., Room No. 23.
Special Term, Part VI., Room No. 25.
Special Term, Part VII., Room No. 27.
Special Term, Part VIII., Room No. 29.
Trial Term, Part I., Room No. 16.
Trial Term, Part II., Room No. 17.
Trial Term, Part III., Room No. 18.
Trial Term, Part IV., Room No. 20.
Trial Term, Part V., Room No. 22.
Trial Term, Part VI., Room No. 24.
Trial Term, Part VII., Room No. 26.
Trial Term, Part VIII., Room No. 28.
Naturalization Bureau, Room No. 26.
Justices—ABRAHAM R. LAWRENCE, CHARLES H. TRUAX, CHARLES F. MACLEAN, FREDERICK SMYTH, JOSEPH F. DALY, MILES BEACH, ROGER PRYOR, LEONARD A. GERIGER, HENRY W. BOOKSTAVEN, HENRY BISHOP, JR., JOHN J. FRIEDMAN, JOHN SEDGWICK, P. HENRY DUGRO, DAVID McADAM, HENRY R. BEEKMAN, HENRY A. GILDERLEEVE, FRANCIS M. SCOTT; WILLIAM SOMMER, Clerk.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.
New Criminal Court Building, Centre street. Court opens at 11 o'clock A. M.; adjourns 4 P. M.
JOHN W. GOFF, Recorder; JAMES FITZGERALD, RUFUS B. COWING, JOSEPH E. NEWBURGER and MARTIN T. McMAHON, Judges.
JOHN F. CARROLL, Clerk's Office, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

CRIMINAL DIVISION, SUPREME COURT.
New Criminal Court Building, Centre street. Court opens at 10 1/2 o'clock A. M.
JOHN F. CARROLL, Clerk; 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

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

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS.
New Criminal Court Building, Centre street, between Franklin and White streets, daily, from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.
Justices, First Division—ELIZUR B. HINSDALE, WILLIAM TRAVERS, JEROME, EPHRAIM A. JACOB, JOHN HAYES, WILLIAM C. HOLBROOK.
Justices, Second Division—THOMAS W. FITZGERALD, HOWARD J. FORKRE, JOHN L. DEVENNEY, JOHN COURTNEY and JOHN FLEMING.

MUNICIPAL COURTS.
Borough of Manhattan.
First District—Third, Fifth and Eighth Wards, and all that part of the First Ward lying west of Broadway and Whitehall street. Court-room, No. 32 Chambers street.
WALDOPE LYNN, Justice. MICHAEL C. MURPHY, Clerk. Clerk's Office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Second District—Second, Fourth, Sixth and Fourteenth Wards, and all that portion of the First Ward lying south and east of Broadway and Whitehall street Court-room, corner of Grand and Centre streets.
HERMANN BOLTE, Justice. FRANCIS MANGIN, Clerk. Clerk's Office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Third District—Ninth and Fifteenth Wards. Court-room, southwest corner Sixth avenue and West Tenth street. Court open daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted) from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WM. F. MOORE, Justice. DANIEL WILLIAMS, Clerk.
Fourth District—Tenth and Seventeenth Wards. Court-room, No. 30 First street, corner Second avenue. Court opens 9 A. M. daily, and remains open to close of business.
GEORGE F. ROESCH, Justice. JOHN E. LYNCH, Clerk.
Fifth District—Seventh, Eleventh and Thirteenth Wards. Court-room, No. 154 Clinton street.
HENRY M. GOLDFOGLE, Justice. JEREMIAH HAYES, Clerk.
Sixth District—Eighteenth and Twenty-first Wards Court-room, northwest corner Twenty-third street and Second avenue. Court opens 9 A. M. daily, and continues open to close of business.
DANIEL F. MARTIN, Justice. ABRAM BERNARD, Clerk.
Seventh District—Nineteenth Ward. Court-room, No. 151 East Fifty-seventh street. Court opens every

morning at 9 o'clock (except Sundays and legal holidays), and continues open to close of business.
JOHN B. MCKEAN, Justice. PATRICK McDAVITT, Clerk.

Eighth District—Sixteenth and Twentieth Wards, Court-room, northwest corner of Twenty-third street and Eighth avenue. Court opens at 9 A. M. and continues open to close of business.
Clerk's office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. each Court day.

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

Ninth District—Twelfth Ward, except all that portion of the said ward which is bounded on the north by the centre line of One Hundred and Tenth street, on the south by the centre line of Eighty-sixth street, on the east by the centre line of Sixth avenue, and on the west by the North river. Court-room, No. 170 East One Hundred and Twenty-first street, southeast corner of Sullivan place. Court opens every morning at 9 o'clock (except Sundays and legal holidays), and continues open to close of business.
JOSEPH P. FALLON, Justice. WILLIAM J. KENNEDY, Clerk.

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

Eleventh District—Northern part of Twelfth Ward. Court-room, corner of One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street and Columbus avenue. Court opens daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted), from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.
FRANCIS J. WORCESTER, Justice. ADOLPH N. DUMAHAUT, Clerk.

Borough of the Bronx.
First District—All that part of the Twenty-fourth Ward which was lately annexed to the City and County of New York by chapter 934 of the Laws of 1895, comprising all of the late Town of Westchester and part of the Towns of Eastchester and Pelham, including the Villages of Wakefield and Williamsbridge. Court-room, Town Hall, Main street, Westchester Village. Court opens daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted), from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WILLIAM W. PENFIELD, Justice. JOHN N. STEWART, Clerk.

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

Borough of Brooklyn.
First District—JACOB NEU.
Second District—GERARD B. VON WART.
Third District—WILLIAM SCHNITZSPAHN.
Fourth District—ADOLPH H. GORTING.
Fifth District—CORNELIUS FERGUSON.

Borough of Queens.
First District—THOMAS C. KADIN.
Second District—WILLIAM T. MONTEVERDE.
Third District—JAMES F. McLOUGHLIN.

Borough of Richmond.
First District—JOHN J. KENNY.
Second District—ALBERT REYNOLD.

CITY MAGISTRATES' COURTS.
City Magistrate—HENRY A. BRANN, ROBERT C. CORNELL, LEROY B. CRANE, JOSEPH M. DEUEL, CHARLES A. FLAMMER, HERMAN C. KUDLICH, CLARENCE W. MEADE, JOHN O. MOTT, JOSEPH POOL, CHARLES E. SIMMS, JR., THOMAS F. WENTWORTH, W. H. OLMSTEAD.
EBEN DEMAREST, Secretary.
First District—Criminal Court Building.
Second District—Jefferson Market.
Third District—No. 69 Essex street.
Fourth District—Fifty-seventh street, near Lexington avenue.
Fifth District—One Hundred and Twenty-first street, southeastern corner of Sylvan place.
Sixth District—One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street and Third avenue.
Seventh District—Fifty-fourth street, west of Eighth avenue.
Second Division—MATTHEW J. SMITH, EDMUND J. HEALY, LUKE J. CONNORTON, JOHN CROAK and NATHANIEL MARSH.

OFFICIAL PAPERS.

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WILLIAM A. BUTLER,
Supervisor, City Record.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
No. 300 MULBERRY STREET,
NEW YORK, January 17, 1898.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A
Horse, known as Frank, No. 14, the property of the Police Department, will be sold at public auction, on Tuesday, February 1, 1898, at 10 o'clock A. M., by Van Tassel & Kearney, Auctioneers, at their stables, Nos. 130 and 132 East Thirteenth street.
By order of the Board.

JOHN F. HARRIOT,
Property Clerk.

POLICE DEPARTMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK, 1898
OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY
Clerk of the Police Department of the City of New York, No. 300 Mulberry street, Room No. 9, for the following property, now in his custody, without claimants: Boats, rope, iron, lead and female clothing boots, shoes, wine, blankets, diamonds, canned goods liquors, etc.; also small amount money taken from prisoners and found by Patrolmen of this Department.

JOHN F. HARRIOT, Property Clerk

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS,
Main Office, Borough of Manhattan,
No. 280 Broadway, Stewart Building,
January 5, 1898.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, AS REQUIRED
by section 892 of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897, that the books called "The Annual Record of the Assessed Valuation of Real and Personal Estate of the Boroughs of Manhattan and the Bronx" will be open for examination and correction on the second Monday of January, and will remain open until the first day of May, 1898.

During the time that the books are open to public inspection application may be made by any person or corporation claiming to be aggrieved by the assessed valuation of real or personal estate, to have the same corrected; in the Borough of Manhattan at the main office of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, and in the Borough of the Bronx, at the Municipal Building, One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street and Third avenue.
Applications in relation to the assessed valuation of

personal estate must be made by the person assessed between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M., except on Saturdays, when all applications must be made between 10 A. M. and 12 noon.

THOMAS L. FEITNER,
EDWARD C. SHEEHY,
THOMAS T. PATTERSON,
WILLIAM F. GRELL,
ARTHUR C. SALMON,
Commissioners of Taxes and Assessments.

DAMAGE COMM.—23-24 WARDS.

**PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 537 OF THE LAWS OF 1893, ENTITLED "AN ACT providing for ascertaining and paying the amount of damages to lands and buildings suffered by reason of changes of grade of streets or avenues, made pursuant to chapter 721 of the Laws of 1887, providing for the depression of railroad tracks in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, in the City of New York, or otherwise," and the acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, notice is hereby given that public meetings of the Commissioners appointed pursuant to said acts, will be held at Room 58, Schermerhorn Building, No. 96 Broadway, in the City of New York, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week, at 3 o'clock P. M., until further notice.
Dated New York, October 30, 1897.
DANIEL LORD, JAMES M. VARNUM, WILLIAM E. STILLINGS, Commissioners.
LAMONT McLOUGHLIN, Clerk.**

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES,
BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN AND THE BRONX,
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,
NEW YORK, January 19, 1898.

PROPOSALS FOR BROOM AND BRUSH
Materials, Crockery, Oils, Leather and Lumber. Sealed bids or estimates for furnishing Broom and Brush Materials, Crockery, Oils, Leather and Lumber during the year 1898, in conformity with samples and specifications, will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities, No. 66 Third avenue, in the City of New York, until 12 o'clock M. Monday, January 21, 1898. All goods to be delivered in installments as may be required during the year 1898.
All quantities to be more or less.

MATERIAL FOR BROOMS AND BRUSHES.
195. 15,000 pounds Broom Corn.
197. 5,000 (only) Broom Handles.
198. 100 pounds Broom Twine.
199. 4,000 pounds Brush Root.
200. 7,200 (only) Brush Blocks with Covers.
201. 10 stones Brush Wire, No. 26.
202. 75 pounds Brush Nails, 5/8.
203. 14 stones Broom Wire, No. 18, bright.

CROCKERY.
204. 15 gross W. G. Handles Mugs.
205. 6 gross W. G. Chambers, large.
206. 1/2 gross W. G. Chambers, small.
207. 10 gross W. G. Spit Cups.
208. 6 gross W. G. Feed Cups.
209. 10 gross W. G. Cups.
210. 12 gross W. G. Saucers.
211. 25 gross W. G. Bowls.
212. 6 gross W. G. Male Urinals.
213. 1 gross W. G. Female Urinals.
214. 1 gross W. G. Pitchers (1 pint).
215. 2 gross W. G. Pitchers (1 quart).
216. 2 gross W. G. Pitchers (2 quart).
217. 2 gross W. G. Pitchers (3 quart).
218. 1/2 gross W. G. Pitchers (4 quart).
219. 40 gross W. G. Dinner Plates.
220. 6 gross W. G. Soup Plates.
221. 2 gross W. G. Ewers.
222. 1 gross W. G. Basins.
223. 1 gross W. G. Soap Dishes.
224. 1 gross Lime Dishes.
225. 1 gross Spitoons.
226. 6 gross Bed Pans.
227. 6 dozen Solution Bowls.
228. 10 dozen Vegetable Dishes.
229. 10 dozen Meat Platters, assorted.
230. 15 gross Tumblers.
231. 3 dozen Slop Jars.
232. 4 dozen Yellow Pie Plates.

OILS.
233. 6 barrels Boiled Linseed Oil (50 gallons each).
234. 6 barrels Raw Linseed Oil (50 gallons each).
235. 2 barrels Machine Oil (50 gallons each).
236. 5 gallons Sewing Machine Oil.
237. 5 barrels Cylinder Oil (50 gallons each).
238. 5 barrels Lard Oil (50 gallons each).
239. 5 barrels Sperm Oil (50 gallons each).
240. 5 barrels Signal Oil (50 gallons each).
241. 20 gallons (only) Crude Oil.
242. 2 barrels Engine Oil (50 gallons each).
243. 5 barrels Astral Oil (50 gallons each).
244. 50 gallons Japan Dryer.
245. 30 barrels Turpentine (50 gallons each).
246. 5 barrels Boogher's Compound.
247. 3 barrels Shields' Compound Cylinder.
248. 50 pounds Pulver's Compound.
249. 3 barrels Marine Journal Oil (50 gallons each).
250. 50 gallons Benzine.

LEATHER AND FINDINGS.
251. 20,000 pounds Good Damaged Sole Leather, 21 to 25 pounds to the side.
252. 5,000 pounds Offal Leather.
253. 4,000 feet Waxed Kip Leather, average about 11 feet to side.
254. 9,000 feet Waxed Upper Leather, average 17 feet to side.
255. 5 gross Sewing Awls, assorted.
256. 5 gross Patent Peg Awls, assorted.
257. 25 gross Shoe Binding, black, No. 8.
258. 10 ounces Shoe Bristles, 16 ounces.
259. 2 dozen Shoe Burnishers.
260. 10 boxes Shoe Eyelets (10,000 each).
261. 2 dozen Shoe Eyelets (sets).
262. 2 dozen Shoe Eyelets (punches).
263. 8 dozen Sewing Awl Hafts.
264. 8 dozen Patent Peg Awl Hafts.
265. 2 dozen Heel Shaves.
266. 15 dozen Shoe Ink (quarts).
267. 1 dozen Shoe Nippers.
268. 3 dozen Shoe Pincers.
269. 18 bushels Shoe Pegs, 2-4-8, 8-5-8, 8-6-8.
270. 48 pounds Shoe Thread, H. B., No. 12.
271. 50 pounds Shoe Wax.
272. 1,100 pounds Iron Shoe Nails, No. 13, 100-4-8, 500-5-8, 500-6-8.
273. 1,100 pounds Swede Iron Shoe Nails, No. 16, 200-4-8, 400-5-8, 400-6-8, 100-7-8.

274. 300 pounds Shoe Tacks (2 oz.).
275. 12 dozen Shoe Knives.
276. 12 dozen Sand Stones.
277. 2 (only) Shoe Jacks.

LUMBER.
278. 1,000 feet 3/4-inch first quality extra clear White Pine, 12 inches to 16 inches wide, 12 feet to 16 feet long, dressed two sides, 3/4 inch.
279. 6,000 feet 3/4-inch first quality extra clear White Pine, 12 inches to 16 inches wide, 12 feet to 16 feet long, dressed two sides, 3/4 inch.
280. 5,000 feet 3/4-inch first quality extra clear White Pine, 12 inches to 16 inches wide, 12 feet to 16 feet long, dressed two sides, 3/4 inch.
281. 25,000 feet 1-inch first quality extra clear White Pine, 12 inches to 16 inches wide, 12 feet to 16 feet long, dressed two sides, 3/4 inch.
282. 15,000 feet 1 1/2-inch first quality extra clear White Pine, 12 inches to 16 inches wide, 12 feet to 16 feet long, dressed two sides, 3/4 inch.
283. 16,000 feet 1 1/2-inch first quality extra clear White Pine, 12 inches to 16 inches wide, 12 feet to 16 feet long, dressed two sides, 3/4 inch.

284. 4,000 feet 2-inch first quality extra clear White Pine, 12 inches to 16 inches wide, 12 feet to 16 feet long, dressed two sides, 3/4 inch.
285. 17,000 feet 1-inch White Pine Shelving, select grade, 12 inches to 16 inches wide, 12 feet to 16 feet long, dressed two sides, 3/4 inch.
286. 50 pieces clear White Pine Sheathing, dressed, 3/4 inches by 4 inches by 16 feet.
287. 100 pieces first quality White Pine, dressed two sides, tongued and grooved to finish, 3/4 inch by 9 1/2 inches by 12 feet to 16 feet.
288. 200 pieces White Pine Roofing Boards, dressed one side, tongued and grooved to finish, 3/4 inches by 9 1/2 inches by 12 feet to 16 feet.
289. 25 pieces 4 inches by 4 inches by 16 feet first quality clear White Pine for table legs.
290. 25 pieces 3 inches by 3 inches by 10 feet first quality clear White Pine for table legs.
291. 2,000 square feet 1-inch First Quality clear White Pine, dressed one side to finish, 3/4 inch by 3 1/2 inches, tongued and grooved for flooring.
292. 3,300 feet White Pine Fence Boards.
293. 16,500 square feet first quality extra clear White Pine Ceiling to finish, 3/4 inch by 3 1/2 inches, tongued and grooved.
294. 12,000 running feet first quality extra clear White Pine or White Wood Picture Mouldings.
295. 80,000 feet First Quality Coffin Box Board 1 inch, 12 inches to 15 inches wide, 12 feet to 16 feet long, dressed two sides, 3/4 inch, free from loose black knots or shakes.
296. 50,000 feet First Quality Coffin Box Boards, 12 inches to 15 inches wide, 12 feet to 16 feet long, dressed two sides, 3/4 inch, free from loose black knots or shakes.
297. 2,000 feet First Quality White Pine Box Board, 1 1/4 inches thick, 12 to 16 inches wide, 12 to 16 feet long, dressed two sides, 3/4 inch.
298. 2,000 feet First Quality White Pine Box Lumber, 1 1/2 inches, 12 to 16 inches wide, 12 to 16 feet long, dressed two sides, 3/4 inch.
299. 2,000 feet First Quality White Pine Box Lumber, 2 inches, 12 to 16 inches wide, 12 to 16 feet long, dressed two sides, 3/4 inch.
300. 200 pieces First Quality Rough Spruce, 2 inches by 3 inches by 13 feet.
301. 800 pieces First Quality Rough Spruce, 3 inches by 4 inches by 13 feet.
302. 700 pieces First Quality Rough Spruce, 2 inches by 9 inches by 13 feet.
303. 300 pieces First Quality Rough Spruce, 2 inches by 4 inches by 13 feet.
304. 100 pieces First Quality Rough Spruce, 3 inches by 3 inches by 13 feet.
305. 500 pieces First Quality Spruce, dressed one side, tongued and grooved to finish, 3/4 inch by 8 1/2 inches by 13 feet.
306. 250 pieces First Quality Spruce, dressed two sides, tongued and grooved to finish, 1 1/2 inches by 9 inches by 13 feet.
307. 5,000 square feet Yellow Pine Ceiling, dressed two sides, tongued and grooved to finish, 3/4 inch by 2 1/2 inches, free from sap, knots or gum.
308. 12,000 square feet Yellow Pine Flooring, dressed one side, tongued and grooved to finish, 1 1/4 inches by 2 1/2 inches, free from sap, knots or gum.
309. 8,500 square feet Yellow Pine Flooring, dressed one side, tongued and grooved to finish, 3/4 inches by 3 inches, free from sap, knots or gum.
310. 20,000 square feet Yellow Pine Flooring, dressed one side, tongued and grooved to finish, 1 1/4 inches by 4 1/2 inches, free from sap, knots or gum.
311. 1,000 feet of Yellow Pine Step Plank, dressed two sides, 1 1/2 inches by 12 inches, free from sap, knots or gum.
312. 300 pieces Yellow Pine Plank, dressed one side, 1 1/4 inches by 13 inches, free from sap, knots or gum.
313. 25,000 square feet Yellow Pine Flooring, dressed one side, tongued and grooved to finish, 1 1/4 inches by 3 inches, free from sap, knots or gum.
314. 28,000 square feet Yellow Pine Flooring, dressed one side, tongued and grooved to finish, 1 1/4 inches by 4 inches, free from sap, knots or gum.
315. 200 feet 1-inch clear First Quality Walnut, dressed two sides, 3/4 inch by 8 inches, and over wide 12 feet and over long.
316. 1,000 square feet 3/4 inch clear First Quality Walnut, dressed two sides, tongued and grooved to finish, 3/4 inch by 2 inches.
317. 15,000 square feet 1 inch clear First Quality Oak, dressed two sides, tongued and grooved to finish, 3/4 inch by two inches.
318. 1,000 feet 3/4 inch clear First Quality Oak, dressed two sides, 3/4 inch, 8 inches and over wide, 12 feet and over long.
319. 1,100 feet 1 inch clear First Quality Oak, dressed two sides, 3/4 inch, 8 inches and over wide, 12 feet and over long.
320. 700 feet 2 inches clear First Quality Oak, dressed two sides, 1 1/4 inches, 8 inches and over wide, 12 feet and over long.
321. 500 feet 1 1/4 inch clear First Quality Oak, dressed two sides, 1 1/4 inch, 8 inches and over wide, 12 feet and over long.
322. 500 feet 1 1/2 inch clear First Quality Oak, dressed two sides, 1 1/2 inch, 8 inches and over wide, 12 feet and over long.
323. 100 feet 1 inch clear First Quality White Ash, dressed two sides, 3/4 inch, 8 inches and over wide, 12 feet and over long.
324. 250 feet 3/4 inch clear First Quality Ash, dressed two sides, 3/4 inch, 8 inches and over wide, 12 feet and over long.
325. 100 feet 1 inch clear First Quality Ash, dressed two sides, 3/4 inch, 8 inches and over wide, 12 feet and over long.
326. 4,500 feet 3/4 inch clear First Quality White Wood, dressed two sides, 3/4 inch.
327. 100 bundles shingles.

No empty packages are to be returned to bidders or contractors except such as are designated in the specifications.

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

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

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 Commissioners.

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 the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

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

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

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

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

The form of the contract, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, can be obtained 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.

Dated New York, January 19, 1898.
JOHN W. KELLER, President,
ADOLPH SIMIS, Jr., Commissioner.
JAMES FEENEY, Commissioner.
Department of Public Charities.

BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES, NEW YORK.

PROPOSALS.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED until 12 o'clock noon, on Tuesday, February 1, 1898, at the office of the said Board, No. 66 Third Avenue, Borough of Manhattan, New York City, for furnishing supplies for the use of the Department in the Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens for six months, from February 1, 1898, consisting of Groceries, Fish, Meat, Dietary Articles, Milk, Oats, Hay, Straw, Dry Goods, Stationery, Drugs, Paints, Oils, Engineers' Supplies, Plumbers' Supplies, Metal Ceilings, Lumber and other articles; also Burial of Pauper Dead, for the Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens.

Schedules, with full particulars, can be obtained either at the above address or at No. 29 Elm place, Borough of Brooklyn.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a certified check payable to the order of the Comptroller of the City of New York, or money to the amount of ten per cent. of the aggregate of the bid.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
A. SIMIS, Jr., Commissioner.
For the Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES,
BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN AND THE BRONX,
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,
NEW YORK, JANUARY 12, 1898.

PROPOSALS FOR HOSPITAL SUPPLIES for the Department of Public Charities for 1898. Sealed bids or estimates for furnishing the following Hospital Supplies will be received at the Department of Public Charities, No. 66 Third Avenue, in the City of New York, until 12 o'clock m. of Monday, January 24, 1898. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid for Hospital Supplies," with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President, or his duly authorized agent, of said Department and read.

A.—DRUGS.

More or less.
2 pounds Agar-Agar, pap.
15 pounds Bromoformine, E. & A., 5 lb. b.
1 dozen Carnegem.
20 pounds Cresol, Pharm. Germ. III., 5 lb. b.
25 pounds Earth, Fuller's, pap.
25 pounds Ether, Petroleum, boil. p. ab. 50-65° C., 2 lb. b.
2 dozen Ext. Pancreatic, F. Bro. & F.

More or less.

2 pounds Gum Damar, pap.
2 pounds Gum Opium, denarcotized, U. S. P., 1 lb. b.
1 doz. Hydrastis, Lloyd's colorless.
10 pounds Oil Juniper Berries, pure, 5 lb. b.
1 pound Oil Pimento, pure, 1 lb. b.
1 dozen box, Peptonizing Tubes, F. Bro. & F.
8 barrels Plaster of Paris, Dentists', Knickerbocker Mills.
5 pounds Root, Ipecac, powd., pap.
5 pounds Root, Sanguinaria, powd., pap.
10 pounds Root, Zedoary, powd., pap.
50 pounds Seed, Stavesacre, p. wtd., box.
3 dozen Soap, Toilet, f. Office use.
300 pounds Sugar, powd., finest confectioner's, freshly powd., in 25 lb. tins.
10 pounds Sugar of Milk, "Prescription."

B.—CHEMICALS.

14 pounds Acid Nitric, comm., 7 lb. b.
27 pounds Acid Sulphuric, comm., 9 lb. b.
3 dozen Alum Cones.
20-25 grams Chloralamide.
1 ounce Cumarin, 1 v.
1 pound Eucalyptol, 1 lb. b.
3 dozen Gold and Sodium Chloride, 30 grains each.
10 grams Homatropine Hydrobromate, 1 gm. v.
4 pounds Iron Carbonate, sacch. (Vallet's), 1 lb. jars.
10 pounds Iron, Dilysed, 1 lb. b.
10 pounds Iron Nitrate, Solution, U. S. P., 1 lb. b.
8 ounces Lead Iodide, 1 oz. v.
4 pounds Mercury Nitrate, Solution, U. S. P., 1 lb. b.
5 pounds Mercury, Mass (Blue Mass), 1 lb. jar.
4 ounces Sodium Nitroprusside, 1 oz. v.

C.—PHARMACEUTICALS.

N. B.—No bid for any article in this class will be accepted from any one who is not known in the drug trade as a regular manufacturer thereof and doing business in the territory of Greater New York.
5 pounds Extract Belladonna Leaves, U. S. P., 1 lb. jars.
5 ounces Extract Colchicum Root, U. S. P., 1 oz. j.
8 ounces Extract Ergot, U. S. P., 1 oz. j.
5 pounds Extract Gentian, U. S. P., 1 lb. j.
1 pound Extract Stramonium, U. S. P., 1 lb. j.
4 pounds Fl. Extract Cimicifuga, 1 lb. b.
4 gallons Fl. Extract Liqueur Root, 1 g. b.
4 pounds Fl. Extract Lajard, 1 lb. b.
4 pounds Fl. Extract Lobelia, 1 lb. b.
4 pounds Fl. Extract Mezereum, 1 lb. b.
4 pounds Fl. Extract Rume Crispus, 1 lb. b.
4 pounds Fl. Extract, Spigelia, 1 lb. b.
2 pounds Fl. Extract, Stillingia, 1 lb. b.
1 gall. Fl. Extract, Taraxacum, 1 gall. b.
2 pounds Fl. Extract, Yerba Santa, 1 lb. b.
6-500 Pills, Aconitine, Duquesnell, 1-200 gr.
70 pounds Pills, Bland, 5 grains, 1 lb. b.
3 pounds Pills, Cathartic Vegetable, 1 lb. b.
6-500 Pills, Iron (1 gr.), Quinine (1 gr.), Strychnine (1-40 gr.).
6-500 Pills, Phosphorus, 1-50.
4-1000 Trit. Tablets Arsenous Acid, 1-30.
2-1000 Trit. Tablets Aconitine, 1-200.
8-1000 Trit. Tablets Codeine, 1-5 gr.
4-1000 Trit. Tablets Codeine, 1-6 gr.
3-1000 Trit. Tablets Morphine, 1/2 gr.
20-1000 Trit. Tablets Strychnine, 1-30 gr.
1-1000 Antiseptic Tablets, Bernays' Special, 7 grs.
Corrosive Sublimate, each.
2-1000 Compressed Tablets, Lithium Carb., 2 gr.
10-500 Anti-Septic Nasal Tablets, Dr. Oppenheimer's Formula.

D.—SURGICAL DRESSINGS AND PLASTERS.

5 pounds Cotton, Styptic, 1 lb. p.
20 yards Gauze, Iodoform, 10 per cent., 1 yd. containers.
2,500 pounds Lintine, 1 lb. pack.
100 gross Belladonna Plasters, rubber base, porous, 5 7/8" x 7 1/2", containing not less than 0.3 per cent. of the alkaloids of Belladonna, 2 doz. in a box.
2 dozen Cantharidal Plaster, 7" wide, 1 yd. rolls.
2 dozen Mercurial Plaster, 7" wide, 1 yd. rolls.
200 yards Mustard Plaster, on paper, 12", 5 yd. rolls.

E.—SUNDRIES.

10 dozen Beakers, same as E. & A. No. 5573. Nos. 0, 1, 2, 3, 4.
Bidders will please quote price for each size by the dozen. As it is impracticable to buy one size from one dealer and another size from another, the award will be made to the lowest bidder for the five sizes combined, irrespective of the bid on any single size.
10 gross Bottle Brushes, 4 sizes (see samples).
12 Burettes, E. & A., No. 865, 50 cc. m-l-10.
12 Burettes, E. & A., No. 865, 25 cc. m-l-10.
6 "Acme" Bun-er Burners (sample).
1 dozen Corkscrews, Lawrence (sample).
6 dozen Evaporating Dishes, E. & A. 6174. Sizes 00, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4.
For the same reason as given under No. 793, the award will be made to the lowest bidder on the six sizes combined. The price per dozen to be also valid for a lesser quantity.
1 Dynamometer, Chatillon, 80 lbs. by 1 lb.
12 dozen Glass Funnel, E. & A. 6390. Diameter: 1 1/2", 2 1/4", 3 1/4", 4 1/4".
The no. under No. 799 to apply also in this case.
4 barrels Gravel (about 300 pounds each), like sample.
2 dozen Measurers, Seidlitz.
24 Mortars, Wedgewood, of the following sizes: Nos. 0, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12.
The note under No. 799 to apply also in this case.
12 Mortars, Glass, of the following sizes: 2 oz., 4 oz., 8 oz., 16 oz.
The note under No. 799 to apply also in this case.
10 reams Paper, Straw Wrapping, 20x30 (sample).
2 Revolving Leather Punches (wheel with six punches).
10 Steel Punches (like sample); two 3/4"; two 1/2"; two 3/8"; two 1/4"; one 1/8".
20 pounds Rubber Stoppers, like samples exhibited; various sizes.
4 Prescription Scales, Troemner's No. 64.
5 Counter Scales, Ebony box, marble top, nick-pl. pans, 9".
2 Dial Scales, Chatillon No. 046, 25 lbs. by 1 oz.
1 Dial Scale, Chatillon No. 047 B., with Brass Can, 25 lbs. by 1 oz.
4 sets Block Weights, avoird., 2 lbs. to 1/16 oz., nick-pl., in boxes with hinged covers.
2 dozen sets Drachm Weights, Coin, to grs. to 2 3/4.
3 dozen sets Grain Weights, Aluminum.
2 doz. Vaporizers for Vapo-Creolene.
1 gro. Green Packing Bottles, 1 gall., heavy, n. m., W. T. & Co.'s style.
1 gro. Green Packing Bottles, 1/2 gall., heavy, n. m., W. T. & Co.'s style.
1/2 gro. Green Packing Bottles, 3/4 gall., heavy, n. m., W. T. & Co.'s style.
3 gro. Flint Bottles, wide mouth, 2 oz. (sample).
3 gro. Flint Bottles, wide mouth, 4 oz. (sample).
3 gro. Flint Bottles, wide mouth, 8 oz. (sample).
3 gro. Flint Bottles, wide mouth, 1 oz. (sample).
6 Glass Graduates, 64 oz., Phenix, cone.
2 doz. Gl. ss Graduates, 32 oz., Phenix, cone.
2 doz. Ointment Jars, w. raised glass letters, white, opaque glass, at top, 2 lbs.

More or less.

10 doz. Glass Labels, for W. T. & Co.'s "Improved Drawer Pulls."

F.—SURGICAL SUPPLIES.

N. B.—No bids will be received for any article in this list from any person or firm that cannot be reached directly by telephone from the Department wires, so that there may be no delay in emergency cases. Bids must be based on the descriptions furnished, or samples exhibited by the Department (to be seen at No. 66 Third Avenue), and not on the bidder's samples.

14 Ambulance Bags (like sample). Further details to be obtained at General Drug Department.

1 dozen Atomizers, double bulb, Davidson's.
6 Bandages, Esmarch's, heavy white, 3", 3 yards.
6 Bandages, Esmarch's, with chain.
2 dozen Bandages, Suspensory, "Perfection."
6 Batteries, Faradic, Vetter's No. 3, complete.
3 Batteries, Silver Chloride No. 8, complete.
Renewal of Wilms Dry Cells for above and next.

2 Batteries, Silver Chloride, Galvanic No. 10, 50 cells.
2 dozen pair Battery Cords (sample).
1 dozen Battery Handles, interrupting.
1 dozen Battery Handle Sponge Tips (to fit 839).

12 dozen Bobbins (sample).
2 dozen Bottles, Flushing (style of Kny's 18063), 2 qt.
3 Buck's Extensions, complete w. weights.
1 Bulb, I. R., for Cautey.

2 dozen Bulbs, vulcan rubber, for Enema Syringes (sample).
4 dozen Caps, Stutzer's (Kny, 19620), small.
3 dozen Caps, Stutzer's (Kny, 19620), large.
4 dozen Catheters, Verges's.
4 dozen Tubes Catgut, chromicized (see sample, containers may vary).

6 Catheters, double-current, male, silver.
4 Catheters, double-current, fem., silver, Kelly-Fritsch.
4 Cautey's, J. Reynnders & Co. (sample).
4 Centrifugal Machines, Litten's Latest.
3 dozen Centrifuge Tubes, glass, for preceding.

3 dozen Centrifuge Tubes, glass, Purdy's graduated per cent.
4 dozen Clamps, Artery, Phelps' (sample).
4 dozen Clamps, Jacobs' (sample), assort. sizes.
6 dozen clips (Pinchcocks) for Alpha Fountain Syr.

2 dozen Dilators, Barnes'.
2 sets Dilators, Hanks' (18 in set).
6 Dilators, Ellinger Goodell.

12 pairs Eyeglasses (or Spectacles), with lenses as are usually kept in stock, as may be prescribed (style like sample).
12 pairs Eyeglasses, Protective (sample).

20 yards Felt (sample).
1 Forceps, Obstetrical, McLane's solid blade.
1 Forceps, Vulsellum, Skene's.
2 Forceps, Tenaculum, Skene's.

2 dozen Forceps, Denial, various.
3 Forceps, Tongue, St. Luke's.
4 dozen Glasses, Cupping, sets of 3 sizes.
1 dozen Glasses, Cupping, w. rubber bulbs.

4 dozen bott. Horsehair, prep. (Lee, No. 2030).
6 Irrigators, Glass (Kny, 16997), 2,000 Gm., grad.
8 Irrigating Bottles (Kny, 17052), 3 gall., to fit 8 and 9.

12 Irrigating Stopcocks (Kny, 17131).
3 dozen Jars, Cylinder (Kny, 18112), 4" x 4".
2 dozen Jars, Cylinder (Kny, 18112), 5" x 5".
12 Jury Masts, like sample, sizes to order.

200 tub. Kangaroo Tendons, 4 in each, in alcohol, in flame-sealed tubes, like sample.
12 Kettles, Croup, (sample).
4 Kettles, Fish, Agate, L. & Q., 16".

4 Kettles, Fish, Agate, L. & Q., 18".
2 dozen Knives, Plaster, 1XL (sample).
2 dozen Knives, Shoe (sample).
6 Lactometers w. Thermometer (sample).

2 dozen Measuring Tapes, Linen, double scale, (Kny, 19241).
1 dozen Measuring Tapes, Steel, double scale (Kny, 19243).

2 dozen Mirrors, Throat, best, sizes 0 to 5, each w. handle.
6 Mirrors, Head, w. Band, Rosworth's.

30 dozen Needles, Cervix, assorted.
12 dozen Needles, Eye, as-sorted, to be selected.
6 dozen Needles, Glover's, assorted.
1 dozen Needles, Pease's, each 3 needles, w. detach. handle.

3 dozen Needles, P. St. Mortem.
4 Needles, Reverdin's.
4 Needle Holders, Bul's (sample).
4 Needle Holders, Russian (sample).
4 Needle Holders, Sims' (sample).

6 Oil Scales (sample).
12 Retractors, Lange's 10" or equivalent form.
3 dozen Pessaries, Albi Smith, any of 7 sizes.
3 dozen Pessaries, Hodge, any of 5 sizes.

3 dozen Pessaries, Wylie, any of 5 sizes.
12 Rules, Folding, inch and meter (sample).
4 Sayre's Suspension Apparatus, no tripod.
4 Sayre's Suspension Apparatus, tripod only.

2 dozen Scissors, Gynecol. (style: Reynder's Cat. pg. 354, No. 379).
1 dozen Scissors, Gynecol. (style: Reynder's Cat., pg. 353, No. 380).

1 dozen Scissors, Gynecol. (style: Reynder's Cat., pg. 353, No. 382).
8 yards Shellac Board (see sample).
4 Sounds, Simpson's Grad. Uterine.

3 dozen Sounds, Steel, Urethral, best, plated, assort. sizes (sample).
2 sets Sounds, Steel, Urethral, best, double curve, case of 9.

6 Specula, Vag., Brewer's Bivalve.
3 dozen Specula, Vag., Ferguson's, assort.
3 Splints, Lewis, Femur, adult.

3 Splints, Lewis, Radius, adult.
3 Splints, Lewis, Tibia and Fibula, adult.
3 Splints, Lewis, Posterior Elbow, adult.
3 Splints, Volkmann's (Sliding Foot Rest).

2 dozen Sponge Holders, Wylie's (sample).
12 dozen Spools Glass, "sample 922".
12 dozen Spools Glass, "sample 923".
6 dozen Spools Glass, Kelly's solid, "sample 924".

1 dozen Spoons, Volkmann's, var. sizes.
6 Steel Porcelain Bowls, 15" (Kny, 17437).
6 Steel Porcelain Bowls, 17 1/2" (Kny, 17437).

3 Steel Porcelain Foot Tubs (Kny, 18407).
6 Steel Porcelain Hot Water Cans (Kny, 18505).
12 Steel Porcelain Trays, 10 1/2" x 12 1/2" (Kny, 17820).

12 Steel Porcelain Trays, 12 1/2" x 14 1/2" (Kny, 17820).
6 Steel Porcelain Trays, 16 1/2" x 18 1/2" (Kny, 17820).

2 Sterilizers, Arnold's, oval, copper, Hosp'l size.
3 Sterilizers, Brown's, f. Catgut "pressure."

4 Stockings, Elastic (sample), fitted to order.
2 dozen Stop-cocks, H. R. (sample).
12 dozen Straps and Buckles (sample).

6 Strops, Rapp, Reppenhausen's No. 17.
3 each, Syringes, H. R.—Kny, 19145, 3/4, 1, 1 1/2, 2 1/2, 3 1/2 oz.
3 each, H. R. Pipes for above, Kny, 19160, D, F, K.

Syringes, Eye, Ear and Ulcer (sample).
4 dozen Tin Strips, like sample.
4 Thoma-Zeiss Hemocytometers, complete.

6 Red Corpuscle Pipettes for preceding.
6 White Corpuscle Pipettes for preceding.
6 Micrometers for Pipettes.

6 Tongue Depressors, J. R. & Co.'s hinged (sample).
4 Tonsilotomes, Mathieu's best, any size.

More or less.

12 Trachea Tubes (Double Canulas), h. rubb., any size.

6 Trachea Tubes (Double Canulas), silver, any size.

4 Transfusion Apparatus (f. saline transf. (sample)).

12 Trays, Glass (Kny, 17786), 7 x 12.

4 Trays, Glass (Kny, 17786), 9 1/2 x 15 1/2.

6 Trephines, Gault's, sizes: 1/2 or 3/4", 1", 1 1/4", 1 1/2".

12 Trusses, ordin. single, like sample, to be fitted.

24 Tubes, Capillary, f. Hemoglobinometer, various.

6 dozen Tubes, Sterilizing (Kny, 19890).

6 dozen Tubes, Sterilizing, Markoe's (Kny, 19830).

1 dozen Urinals, Male, w. strap to fit (Goodyear No. 6).

2 Water Baths, complete (Kny, 19902).

3 Copper Steam Baths (sample).

500 feet Weather Strips, Roebuck's, sample.

75 ounces Wire, Pure Silver, sizes by Stubbs' scale.

2 dozen each Carbutt's X Ray Dry Photo. Plates. Sizes: 8 x 10, 11 x 14, 14 x 17, 16 x 20.

18 Erlenmeyer Flasks, 1/2 gall., wide m., E. & A. 6345, together with two perfect corks (1 1/2" thick) for each.

6 Condensers, glass, Allihn's, 12", E. & A., 6099, but with wide inlet and outlet.

4 sets of 12 each Cork Bore, E. & A., 6053.

N. B.—It is to be understood that prices given for a dozen of any article should be valid also for smaller quantities.

The articles, supplies, goods, wares and merchandise are to be delivered, free of expense, at the General Drug Department on the grounds of Bellevue Hospital, East Twenty-sixth street, east of First Avenue, and are to be delivered in such quantities and at such times as may be required.

The quality of the Hospital Supplies must conform in every respect to the specifications and samples, and bidders are cautioned to examine both specifications and samples of the articles required before making their estimates.

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

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

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

Delivery will be required to be made from time to time, and in such quantities as may be directed by the said Commissioners, or be provided for by the specifications.

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 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 supplies by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by section 12 of chapter 7 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of New York, if the contract shall be awarded to the person or persons for whom he consents to become surety. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered is to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.

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

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

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

The form of the contract, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, can be obtained at the office of the General Bookkeeper and Auditor, No. 66 Third Avenue, and bidders are cautioned to examine each and all of its provisions carefully, as the Board of Public Charities will insist upon its absolute enforcement in every particular.

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES,
BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN AND THE BRONX,
NEW YORK, January 17, 1898.

PROPOSALS FOR RYE STRAW. SEALED bids or estimates for furnishing Rye Straw during the year 1898, in conformity with samples and specifications, will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities, No. 66 Third Avenue, in the City of New York, until 12 o'clock M. of Monday, January 24, 1898.

RYE STRAW.
All rye straw to be delivered in installments as may be required during the year 1898.
295,000 pounds long, bright rye straw, weight and tare not to exceed 3 pounds per bale, weight charged as received 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 Rye Straw," with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President of said Department, or his duly authorized agent, and read.

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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 Commissioners.

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

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

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

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

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

The form of the contract, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, 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.

Dated New York, January 17, 1898.
JOHN W. KELLER, President,
ADOLPH SIMS, Jr., Commissioner,
JAMES FEENEY, Commissioner,
Department of Public Charities.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS AND FERRIES.

TO CONTRACTORS. (No. 614.)

PROPOSALS FOR ESTIMATES FOR PREPARING FOR AND REPAIRING AND EXTENDING THE PIER AT THE FOOT OF WEST ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINTH STREET, NORTH RIVER.

ESTIMATES FOR PREPARING FOR AND REPAIRING AND EXTENDING THE PIER AT THE FOOT OF WEST ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINTH STREET, NORTH RIVER, will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head of the Department of Docks and Ferries, at the office of said Department, on Pier "A," foot of Battery place, North river, in the City of New York, until 1.45 o'clock P. M. of

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21, 1898,
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 Twenty-five Thousand Dollars or thereunto, in the Engineer's estimate of the nature, quantities and extent of the work is as follows:

CLASS I.—EXTENDING AND REPAIRING PIER.

(a) EXTENDING PIER.

To be Furnished by the Department of Docks and Ferries.

1. Yellow Pine Timber, 12" x 14", about 21,122 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 12" x 12", about 100,658 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 10" x 12", about 8,820 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 9" x 12", about 144 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 10" x 10", about 1,167 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 8" x 16", about 576 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 8" x 12", about 1,190 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 8" x 10", about 2,096 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 8" x 10", about 94 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 8" x 8", about 52,923 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 6" x 8", about 350 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 7" x 14", about 350 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 7" x 12", about 3,164 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 6" x 12", about 4,134 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 6" x 10", about 18 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 5" x 10", about 20,710 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 4" x 10", about 30,771 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 3" x 10", about 14,188 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 4" x 6", about 56 feet, B. M., measured in the work—Total, about 291,687 feet, B. M., measured in the work.

NOTE.—It is the intention of the Department of Docks and Ferries to furnish all the yellow pine timber of the above dimensions, with the exceptions noted in Items No. 2 and No. 5, required to do the work under these specifications, and it will be furnished by the Department of Docks and Ferries to the contractor, free of charge, in the water or on a pier or bulkhead at one or more points on the North river water-front south of West Seventy-fifth street, as hereinafter specified. And the contractor is to raft it, care for it and transport it to the site of the work at his own expense and risk.

To be Furnished by the Contractor.

2. Yellow Pine Timber, 12" x 16", about 3,664 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 12" x 14", about 2,036 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 10" x 12", about 350 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 8" x 8", about 21,600 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 5" x 10", about 282 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 5" x 5", about 41,300 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 4" x 8", about 3,122 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 3" x 12", about 80 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 2" x 4", about 2,146 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 2 1/2 x 8, about 930 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 1 1/2 x 10, about 30 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Total, about 120,491 feet, B. M., measured in the work.

NOTE.—The contractor will be required to furnish all the yellow pine of any dimension other than those specified in Item 1 required to do the work under this contract.

3. White Oak Timber, 8" x 12", about 2,240 feet, B. M., measured in the work.

NOTE.—The above quantities of timber in Items 1, 2 and 3 are inclusive of extra lengths required for scarfs, laps, etc., but are exclusive of waste.

4. White Pine, Yellow Pine, Norway Pine or Cypress Piles for extension, foundations and sewer, 474.

It is expected that these piles will have to be from about 75 feet to about 105 feet in length, to meet the requirements of the specifications for driving. Where the length exceeds 85 feet the piles may be spliced, in which case the lower or small end may be of spruce.

5. Square built yellow pine columns, exceeding 85 feet in length, 60.

NOTE.—The Department of Docks and Ferries will furnish 50,000 feet B. M. of 8" x 8" yellow pine timber for these columns, which amount is included in item No. 1.

6. White Oak Fender Piles, about 60 feet in length, 30.

7. 2-inch White Oak Dowels for all Spliced Piles, 12" long, 248.

8. 1 1/2" Tapered Locust Treennails, 16" long, 4,500.

9. 3/4" x 20", 3/4" x 24", 3/4" x 22", 3/4" x 20", 3/4" x 10", 3/4" x 14", 3/4" x 12", 3/4" x 22", 3/4" x 20", 3/4" x 18", 3/4" x 16", 3/4" x 14", 3/4" x 12", 3/4" x 10", 3/4" x 14", 3/4" x 10", 3/4" x 8", 3/4" x 6", 3/4" x 4", square and 3/4" x 8 1/2", and 3/4" x 8 1/2", round Wrought-iron, Spike-pointed Dock-spikes and, 40d. and 6" Nails and Staples, about 40,457 pounds.

10. 2", 1 1/2", 1 1/4", 1 1/8", 1", 3/4", and 3/4" Wrought-iron Screw-bolts and Nuts and Lag Screws and Screw-eyes, about 30,013 pounds.

11. Wrought-iron Strap-bolts, Straps, Hinges, Safety Hooks, etc., about 2,012 pounds.

12. Wrought-iron Washers for 2", 1 1/2", 1 1/4", 1", 3/4" and 3/4" Screw-bolts, about 3,419 pounds.

13. Wrought-iron Column Shoes, about 5,100 pounds.

14. Cast-iron Washers for 1 1/4", 1 1/8", 1", and 3/4" Screw bolts, about 7,429 pounds.

15. Boiler-plate Armatures, about 13,084 pounds.

16. a—Cast-iron Mooring-posts, about 1,800 pounds, each; b—Cast-iron Mooring-posts, about 900 pounds, each; c—Cast-iron Chocks, about 225 pounds, each; 4.

17. Cast-iron Pile-shoes, about 11,450 pounds.

18. Hackmatack Knees, 4.

19. 1/2-inch Chain, about 90 feet.

20. Hoisting Machinery, similar to that now in use at outer end of West Twenty-second Street Pier, or as manufactured by the American Ship Windlass Company, of Providence, R. I.

21. Labor of Framing and Carpentry, including all moving of Timber, Joining, Planing, Bolting, Spiking, Painting, Oiling or Tarring, and labor of every description for about 10,680 square feet of extension.

(b) SEWER.

To be Furnished by the Department of Docks and Ferries.

22. Yellow Pine Timber, 12" x 14", about 1,260 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 12" x 12", about 7,068 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 10" x 12", about 740 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 5" x 10", about 7,725 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 5" x 8", about 240 feet, B. M., measured in the work—Total, about 17,033 feet, B. M., measured in the work.

To be Furnished by the Contractor.

23. Yellow Pine Timber, 5" x 16", about 13,160 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 5" x 14", about 1,312 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 5" x 12", about 2,150 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 5" x 10", about 2,100 feet, B. M., measured in the work—Total, about 18,723 feet, B. M., measured in the work.

24. Spruce or Yellow Pine Timber, crosscut 4" x 4", about 50,947 feet, B. M.; Spruce or Yellow Pine Timber, crosscut, 9" x 14", about 74 feet, B. M.—Total, about 51,021.

NOTE.—The Contractor will be required to furnish all the yellow pine of any dimension other than those specified in Item 22, required to do the work under this contract.

25. 3/4" x 26", 3/4" x 22", 3/4" x 18", 3/4" x 8" and 3/4" x 9" square Wrought-iron spike pointed Dock-spikes, about 5,371 pounds.

26. 1 1/4", 1 1/8" and 3/4" Wrought-iron Screw-bolts and Nuts, about 2,270 pounds.

27. Galvanized Wrought-iron Bands, Bolts, Mouth-pieces, Manhole-frames and Doors, etc., about 18,478 pounds.

28. Cast-iron Washers for 1 1/4" and 1 1/8" Screw-bolts, about 1,382 pounds.

29. Wrought-iron Washers for 3/4" bolts, about 54 pounds.

30. Labor and Material for Temporary Centres for Sewer-boxes.

31. Labor of every description for 682 linear feet of Oval Sewer.

(c) REPAIRING PIER.

32. Removing about 12,060 square feet of Deck and Sheathing, together with the Dumping Board and Ramp, Backing-logs, any Decayed or Broken Fenders, Chocks, Ranges, Side-caps, Cross-caps, all the Oak Fenders, all the Fender-piles, etc., and the Mooring-posts and Corner Plates, etc.

To be Furnished by the Department of Docks and Ferries.

33. Yellow Pine Timber, 12" x 12", about 33,384 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 8" x 8", about 2,636 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 6" x 12", about 790 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 5" x 10", about 1,975 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 4" x 10", about 40,054 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 3" x 10", about 36,215 feet, B. M., measured in the work—Total about 115,004 feet, B. M., measured in the work.

NOTE.—It is the intention of the Department of Docks and Ferries to furnish all the yellow pine timber of the above dimensions required to do the work under these specifications, and it will be furnished by the Department of Docks and Ferries to the Contractor, free of charge, in the water or on a pier or bulkhead at one or more points on the North river water-front, south of West Seventy-fifth street, as hereinafter specified, and the Contractor is to raft it, care for it and transport it to the site of the work at his own expense and risk.

To be Furnished by the Contractor.

34. Yellow Pine Timber, 3" x 12", about 3,330 feet, B. M., measured in the work; Yellow Pine Timber, 2" x 4", about 1,997 feet, B. M., measured in the work—Total, about 5,327 feet, B. M., measured in the work.

NOTE.—The Contractor will be required to furnish all the yellow pine of any dimension other than those specified in Item 27 required to do the work under this contract.

35. White Oak Timber, 8" x 12", about 3,920 feet B. M., measured in the work.

36. White Pine, Yellow Pine, Norway Pine or Cypress Piles, 24.

NOTE.—The above quantities of timber in Items 33, 34, and 35 are inclusive of extra lengths required for scarfs, laps, etc., but are exclusive of waste.

37. 3/4" x 26", 3/4" x 22", 3/4" x 18", 3/4" x 8", 3/4" x 9" square Wrought-iron, Spike-pointed Dock-spikes, and 40d. Nails, about 7,207 pounds.

38. 1 1/4", 1 1/8" and 3/4" Wrought-iron Screw-bolts and Nuts, and Lag-screws, about 3,459 pounds.

39. Wrought-iron Washers for 1 1/4" and 1" Screw-bolts and Lag-screws, about 205 pounds.

40. Cast-iron Washers for 1 1/4" and 1" Screw bolts, about 952 pounds.

41. Cast-iron Mooring-posts, about 900 pounds each, 6.

42. Labor of Framing and Carpentry, including all moving of Timber, Joining, Planing, Bolting, Spiking, Painting, Oiling or Tarring and labor of every description.

CLASS II.—RIP-RAFF.

43. Rip-rap stone furnished and put in place over the whole area of the extension, about 36,000 cubic yards.

N. B.—As the above-mentioned quantities, though stated with as much accuracy as is possible, in advance, are approximate only, 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 work 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 Ferries and in substantial accordance with the specifications of the contract and the plans herein referred to. No extra compensation, beyond the amount payable for each class of the work before mentioned, which shall be actually performed at the prices therefor, to be specified by the lowest bidder, shall be due or payable for the entire work.

The work to be done under the contract is to be commenced within five days after the date of the receipt of a notification from the Engineer-in-Chief of the Department of Docks and Ferries that the work is ready to be begun, and all the work to be done under this contract is to be fully completed on or before the expiration of 150 days after the date of service of said notification; and the damages to be paid by the contractor for each day that the contract may be unfulfilled after the time fixed for the fulfillment thereof has expired, are, by a clause in the contract, determined, fixed and liquidated at Fifty Dollars per day.

Where the City of New York owns the wharf, pier or bulkhead at which the materials under this contract are to be delivered, and the same is not leased, no charge will be made to the contractor for wharfage upon vessels conveying said materials.

Bidders will state in their estimates a price for the whole of the work to be done in Class I., and a price per cubic yard for Class II., in conformity with the approved form of agreement and the specifications therein set forth, by which prices the bids will be tested. These prices are 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. The award of the contract, if awarded, will be made to the bidder who is the lowest for doing the whole of the work comprised in both of the classes, and whose estimate is regular in all respects.

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

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

Bidders are required to state in their estimates their names and places of residence, the names of all persons interested with them therein, and if no other person be so interested the estimate shall distinctly state the fact, also that the estimate is made without any consultation, connection or agreement with, and the amount thereof has not been disclosed to, any other person or persons making an estimate for the same purpose, and is not higher than the lowest regular market price for the same kind of labor or material, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; that no combination or pool exists of which the bidder is a member, or in which the bidder is directly or indirectly interested, or of which the

bidder has knowledge, either personal or otherwise, to bid a certain price, or not less than a certain price, for said labor or material, or to keep others from bidding thereon; and also that no member of the Common Council, Head of a Department, Chief of a Bureau, Deputy thereof or Clerk therein, or any other officer or employee of the Corporation of the City of New York, or any of its departments, is directly or indirectly interested in the estimate, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof, and has not been given, offered or promised, either directly or indirectly, any pecuniary or other consideration by the bidder or anyone in his behalf with a view to influencing the action or judgment of such officer or employee in this or any other transaction heretofore had with this Department, which estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed to by all the parties interested.

In case a bid shall be submitted by or in behalf of any corporation, it must be signed in the name of such corporation by some duly authorized officer or agent thereof, who shall also subscribe his own name and office. If practicable, the seal of the corporation should also be affixed.

Each 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 or persons making the estimate, they will, upon its being so awarded, become bound as his or their sureties for its faithful performance; and that if said person or persons shall omit or refuse to execute the contract, they will pay to the Corporation of the City of New York any difference between the sum to which said person or persons would be entitled upon its completion and that which said Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work to be done by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of the contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety 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 will be subject to approval by the Comptroller of the City of New York after the award is made and prior to the signing of the contract.

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

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the specifications will be allowed unless under the written instructions of the Engineer-in-Chief.

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

In case there are two or more bids at the same price, which price is the lowest price bid, the contract, if awarded, will be awarded by lot to one of the lowest bidders.

THE RIGHT TO DECLINE ALL THE ESTIMATES IS RESERVED IF DEEMED FOR THE INTEREST OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

Bidders are requested, in making their bids or estimates, to use the blank prepared for that purpose by the Department, a copy of which, together with the form of agreement, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment for the work, can be obtained upon application therefor at the office of the Department.

J. SERGEANT CRAM, CHARLES F. MURPHY, PETER F. MEYER, Commissioners of the Department of Docks and Ferries.

Dated New York, January 6, 1898.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 1898, AT 10 O'CLOCK A. M.

SALE TO CONTINUE UNTIL PROPERTY IS ALL SOLD.

THE AQUEDUCT COMMISSIONERS OF THE City of New York, under the direction of Abram Hyatt, Auctioneer, will sell at public auction, on the premises, the following described buildings, now standing within the purchase line of the New Croton Reservoir, at Kitchawan and in the Valley of Hunter's Brook, both in Westchester County, New York.

Parcel No.	DESCRIPTION. <i>Kilchawan.</i>	Minimum Price.
163.	Two-story frame house and store.....	\$50 00
	Wagon-house, frame.....	50 00
164.	Barn, frame.....	25 00
	Mill, frame.....	25 00
163½.	Store-house, frame.....	25 00
	Horse shed, frame.....	25 00
165.	House, two-story, frame.....	25 00
157.	Blacksmith-shop, frame.....
	Wheelwright-shop, frame.....
155.	House, one-story, frame.....
	Barn, frame.....
<i>Valley of Hunter's Brook.</i>		
33.	House, two-story frame.....	50 00
	Two Barns, frame.....	50 00
44.	Wagon-house, frame.....	100 00

Sixth.—If any building or part of the same is left on the property of the City of New York on and after the 24th day of February, 1898, the purchaser shall forfeit all right and title to the building or any part of building so left, and also to the money part of the consideration paid at the time of sale; and the Aqueduct Commissioners may, at any time on or after the 24th day of February, 1898, rescind said buildings or part of buildings, or remove or destroy the same.

The Aqueduct Commissioners reserve the right to exclude from such sale any building or buildings that may be designated by the Division Engineer.

By order of the Aqueduct Commissioners of the City of New York.

PETER J. DOOLING,
President.

HARRY W. WALKER,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE.

NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT FOR OPENING STREETS AND AVENUES.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 1018 OF THE "Greater New York Charter," the Comptroller of the City of New York hereby gives public notice of the confirmation by the Supreme Court, and the entering in the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears, of the assessment for OPENING AND ACQUIRING TITLE to the following-named avenue in the BOROUGH OF THE BRONX.

TWENTY-FOURTH WARD.

WENDOVER AVENUE, from the New York and Harlem Railroad to Brook avenue, confirmed December 13, 1897, entered January 13, 1898. Area of assessment includes 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 Wendover avenue and East One Hundred and Seventy-second street and said middle line produced from a line drawn parallel to the easterly side of Claremont Park and distant 100 feet westerly from the easterly side thereof, to a line drawn parallel to Fulton avenue and distant 100 feet easterly from the easterly side thereof; on the south by the middle line of the blocks between Wendover avenue and East One Hundred and Seventy-first street, and said middle line produced from a line drawn parallel to Fulton avenue and distant 100 feet easterly from the easterly side thereof to the westerly line of the New York and Harlem Railroad; thence by the northerly side of East One Hundred and Seventy-first street to the middle line of the block between Brook avenue and Webster avenue, and thence by the middle line of the block between Wendover avenue and East One Hundred and Seventy-first street and said middle line produced from the middle line of the block between Brook avenue and Webster avenue to a line drawn parallel to the easterly side of Claremont Park and distant 100 feet westerly from the easterly side thereof; on the east by a line drawn parallel to Fulton avenue and distant 100 feet easterly from the easterly side thereof, and on the west by a line drawn parallel to the easterly side of Claremont Park and distant 100 feet westerly from the easterly side thereof.

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." Unless the amount assessed for benefit on any person or property shall be paid within sixty days after the date of said entry of the assessment, interest will be collected thereon, as provided in section 1019 of the "Greater New York Charter."

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

The above assessment is payable to the Collector of Assessments and Arrears, at the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears," Room 31, Stewart Building, between the hours of 9 A. M. and 2 P. M., and all payments made thereon on or before March 14, 1898, 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.

BIRD S. COLER,
Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, January 15, 1898.

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.:

FIRST WARD.

MORRIS STREET—SEWER, between Greenwich street and Broadway. Area of assessment: Both sides of Morris street, between Greenwich street and Broadway, and west side of Broadway, extending about 71 feet 4 inches north of Morris street.

FIRST, SECOND, FOURTH AND SEVENTH WARDS.

FRONT STREET—PAVING, between Whitehall and Roosevelt streets, and from Montgomery street to a point about 200 feet east of Corlears street, and laying crosswalks. Area of assessment: Both sides of Front street, between Whitehall and Roosevelt streets, and both sides of Front street, between Montgomery street and Jackson slip, also to the extent of half the blocks on the intersecting streets.

FOURTH WARD.

ROOSEVELT STREET—PAVING AND LAYING CROSSWALKS, between Cherry and South streets. Area of assessment: Both sides of Roosevelt street, between Cherry and South streets, and to the extent of half the blocks on the intersecting streets.

FOURTH AND SEVENTH WARDS.

CATHARINE STREET—PAVING AND LAYING CROSSWALKS, between Cherry and South streets. Area of assessment: Both sides of Catharine street, between Cherry and South streets, and to the extent of half the blocks on the intersecting streets.

FIFTH WARD.

JAY STREET—CROSSWALKS, at the westerly side of Staple street. Area of assessment: Both sides of Jay street and the west side of Staple street, to the extent of half the blocks, beginning at the westerly intersection of said streets.

SEVENTH WARD.

GOVERNOR SLIP—PAVING AND LAYING CROSSWALKS, between Water and South streets. Area of assessment: Both sides of Governor Slip, between Water and South streets, and to the extent of half the blocks on the intersecting streets.

RUTGERS SLIP—BASIN, on the northwest corner of South street. Area of assessment: Lots Nos. 14 to 35, inclusive, on Block No. 248.

SOUTH STREET—BASIN, on the northeast corner of Rutgers Slip. Area of assessment: East side of Rutgers Slip, between South and Water streets, and north side of South street, extending about 15 feet east of Rutgers Slip, on Lots Nos. 1 to 5, and 23 to 27 of Block No. 247.

SOUTH STREET—BASIN, on the northwest corner of Market Slip. Area of assessment: West side of Market Slip, between Water and South streets, on Lots Nos. 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 of Block 250.

HOUSTON STREET—PAVING AND LAYING CROSSWALKS, between Lewis and Mangin streets. Area of assessment: Both sides of Houston street, between Lewis and Mangin streets, and to the extent of half the blocks on the intersecting streets.

TWELFTH WARD.

BOULEVARD LAFAYETTE—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING AND FLAGGING, between One Hundred and Fifty-sixth and Dyckman streets. Area of assessment: Both sides of Boulevard Lafayette, between One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street and Dyckman street, and to the extent of half the blocks on the intersecting streets.

CATHEDRAL PARKWAY—BASIN, on the northeast corner of Riverside avenue. Area of assessment: North side of Cathedral Parkway, from corner of Riverside avenue to a point about 170 feet east therefrom.

CATHEDRAL PARKWAY—BASIN, on the northwest corner of Amsterdam avenue. Area of assessment: North side of Cathedral Parkway, extending about 450 feet west of Amsterdam avenue; south side of One Hundred and Eleventh street, extending about 320 feet west of Amsterdam avenue, and west side of Amsterdam avenue, from Cathedral Parkway to One Hundred and Eleventh street.

COLUMBUS AVENUE, CROSSWALKS, at north side of One Hundred and Twenty-third street. Area of assessment: Both sides of Columbus avenue to the extent of half the blocks north of the northeast and northwest corners of Columbus avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-third street; also north side of One Hundred and Twenty-third street, to the extent of half the blocks east of Amsterdam avenue.

HAWTHORNE STREET—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING AND FLAGGING, between Seaman and Amsterdam avenues. Area of assessment: Both sides of Hawthorne street, between Seaman and Amsterdam avenues, and to the extent of half the block on the intersecting avenues.

LEXINGTON AVENUE—SEWERS, both sides, between Ninety-seventh and Ninety-eighth streets. Area of assessment: Both sides of Lexington avenue, between Ninety-seventh and Ninety-eighth streets, also the block bounded by Ninety-seventh and Ninety-eighth streets, Park and Lexington avenues.

MORNINGSIDE AVENUE, EAST—FENCING VACANT LOTS, between One Hundred and Twentieth and One Hundred and Twenty-first streets. Area of assessment: East side of Morningside avenue, East, between One Hundred and Twentieth and One Hundred and Twenty-first streets.

ST. NICHOLAS AVENUE AND ST. NICHOLAS PLACE—CROSSWALKS, at the north and south sides of One Hundred and Fifty-third street. Area of assessment: Both sides of St. Nicholas avenue and St. Nicholas place to the extent of half the blocks north and south of One Hundred and Fifty-third street; both sides of One Hundred and Fifty-third street, between St. Nicholas avenue and St. Nicholas place; and to the extent of half the blocks west of St. Nicholas avenue, on both sides of One Hundred and Fifty-third street.

EIGHTY-NINTH STREET—BASIN, on the northeast corner of Riverside avenue. Area of assessment: North side of Eighty-ninth street, between West End and Riverside avenues, and west side of West End avenue, between Eighty-ninth and Ninetieth streets.

NINETY-EIGHTH STREET—PAVING, from the Boulevard to West End avenue. Area of assessment: Both sides of Ninety-eighth street, between the Boulevard and West End avenue, and to the extent of half the blocks on the Boulevard and West End avenue.

ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH STREET—FLAGGING AND CURBING at the northeast corner of Madison avenue. Area of assessment: North side of One Hundred and Eighth street for the distance of about 150 feet east of Madison avenue, and east side of Madison avenue for the distance of about 51 feet north of One Hundred and Eighth street.

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SEVENTH STREET—CROSSWALKS, at the west side of Seventh avenue. Area of assessment: Both sides of One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street, to the extent of half the block west of Seventh avenue; also, west side of Seventh avenue for the distance of half the block, north and south of One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street.

ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-THIRD STREET—FENCING VACANT LOTS, on the north side, between Seventh and Eighth avenues. Area of assessment: North side of One Hundred and Forty-third street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues, on Lots 11 and 12 of Block 202.

ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-FIFTH STREET—SEWER, south side, between Edgecombe and St. Nicholas avenues. Area of assessment: South side of One Hundred and Forty-fifth street, between Edgecombe and St. Nicholas avenues.

ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-FIFTH STREET—CROSSWALKS, at Edgecombe, Bradhurst and Convent avenues, also CROSSWALK at One Hundred and Fifty-second street and Western Boulevard. Area of assessment: To the extent of half the blocks, east and west, from the intersections of One Hundred and Forty-fifth street with Edgecombe, Bradhurst and Convent avenues, also to the extent of half the blocks from the westerly intersection of One Hundred and Fifty-second street and Western Boulevard.

ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-NINTH STREET—SEWER, between Hudson river and Boulevard. Area of assessment: Both sides of One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, from Boulevard to Hudson river; also west side of Boulevard for a distance of about 100 feet north and south of One Hundred and Forty-ninth street.

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FIFTH STREET—IMPROVEMENT BY THE ERECTION OF A VIADUCT, from St. Nicholas place to Macomb's Dam Bridge. Area of assessment includes 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.: Manhattan street, from 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 street; One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, from Seventh avenue to the East river, being the southerly boundary of the area; on the north by Dyckman street, from Hudson to the Harlem river; on the east by the Harlem river, from One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street to Dyckman street; on the west by the Hudson river, from Manhattan to Dyckman street, including the lots on both sides of the bounding streets and avenues.

FOURTEENTH WARD.

BAXTER STREET—BASIN, on the southeast corner of Grand street. Area of assessment: South side of Grand street between Baxter and Mulberry streets.

NINETEENTH WARD.

FIFTH AVENUE—FLAGGING, east side, between Seventy-ninth and Eighty-sixth streets. Area of assessment: East side of Fifth avenue, between Seventy-ninth and Eighty-sixth streets, on Lot Nos. 69 to 72 of Block 1492; on Lot Nos. 1 to 4 of Block 1494; on Lot Nos. 4 and 69 to 72 of Block 1495; on Lot Nos. 73 and 74 of Block 1496; on Lot No. 1 of Block 1497.

SEVENTY-SEVENTH STREET—FENCING VACANT LOTS, southeast corner of Fifth avenue. Area of assessment: Includes the lots on the southeast corner of Seventy-seventh street and Fifth avenue to the extent of about 100 feet on both street and avenue.

TWENTY-FIRST WARD.

FOURTH AVENUE—SEWER, between Thirty-first and Thirty-second streets. Area of assessment: Both sides of Fourth avenue, between Thirty-first and Thirty-second streets.

TWENTY-SECOND WARD.

BOULEVARD—PAVING, between Seventieth and Seventy-first streets. Area of assessment: Triangle, bounded by Seventieth and Seventy-first streets, Boulevard and Amsterdam avenue.

COLUMBUS AVENUE—CROSSWALKS, at Seventieth street. Area of assessment: Both sides of Columbus avenue, to the extent of half the blocks north and south of Seventieth street, and both sides of Seventieth street, to the extent of half the blocks east and west of Columbus avenue.

RIVERSIDE DRIVE—FENCING VACANT LOTS, on the southeast corner of Seventy-eighth street. Area of assessment: Includes the lots on the southeast corner of Riverside Drive and Seventy-eighth street, to the extent of about 27 feet on Riverside Drive and about 130 feet on Seventy-eighth street.

TWENTY-THIRD WARD.

BUNGAY STREET—SEWER OUTLET EXTENSION, from the end of the existing sewer at former Wetmore avenue to Long Island Sound. Area of assessment includes both sides of Bungay street, from Long Island Sound to One Hundred and Forty-ninth street; both sides of Truxton street, Dupont street, Poillon street and Arnold street, from Edgewater road to Wetmore avenue; both sides of One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, from Edgewater road to Robbins avenue; both sides of Edgewater road, from a point distant about 120 feet east of Arnold street to Whitlock avenue; both sides Wetmore avenue and Randall avenue, from a point about 120 feet east of Arnold street to Wetmore avenue; both sides of Wetmore avenue, from Legget avenue to Edgewater road; both sides of Whitlock avenue, from Legget avenue to Edgewater road; both sides of Austin place, from St. Joseph street to One Hundred and Forty-ninth street; both sides of Timpon place, from St. Joseph street to One Hundred and Forty-ninth street; both sides of South-ern Boulevard, from Edgewater road to a point just west of Legget avenue; both sides of Fox street and Beck street, from Robbins avenue to a point just west of Legget avenue; both sides of Kelly street, from Westchester avenue to a point distant about 175 feet east of Legget avenue; both sides of Dawson street, from Robbins avenue to Legget avenue; both sides of One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street, from Cauldwell avenue to Legget avenue; both sides of Beach avenue, from Southern Boulevard to Westchester avenue; both sides of Prospect avenue, from Southern Boulevard to One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street; both sides of Hewitt place, from One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street to Denman place; both sides of Tinton avenue, from One Hundred and Fifty-sixth to Home street; both sides of Wales avenue, from the Port Morris Branch Railroad to Westchester avenue; both sides of Concord avenue, from Port Morris Branch Railroad to Kelly street; both sides of Robbins avenue, from Port Morris Branch Railroad to One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street; both sides of St. Joseph street, from Robbins avenue to Bungay street; both sides of Crane street, from Robbins avenue to Timpon place; both sides of Dater street, from Robbins avenue to Southern Boulevard; both sides of Cauldwell avenue, from a point distant about 450 feet south of One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street to One Hundred and Sixty-fourth street; both sides of Trinity avenue, from One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street to George street; both sides of Jackson avenue, from One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street to Boston road; both sides of Forest avenue, from Westchester avenue to One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street; both sides of Union avenue, from Southern Boulevard to One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street; both sides of Prospect avenue, from Southern Boulevard to Westchester avenue, from Trinity to Prospect avenue; both sides of Cedar place, from Cauldwell to Westchester avenue; both sides of Denman place, from Cauldwell avenue to Prospect avenue; both sides of Clifton street, from Cauldwell to Union avenue; both sides of One Hundred and Sixty-third street, from Cauldwell to Prospect avenue; both sides of One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, from Trinity to Prospect avenue; both sides of Teasdale place, from Cauldwell to Trinity avenue; both sides of George street, from Boston road to Tinton avenue, and both sides of Home street, from Boston road to Tinton avenue.

COLLEGE AVENUE—SEWER, between One Hundred and Forty-sixth and One Hundred and Forty-eighth streets. Area of assessment includes both sides of College avenue, between One Hundred and Forty-sixth and One Hundred and Forty-eighth street, and south side of One Hundred and Forty-eighth street, between College and Courtlandt avenues.

SOUTHERN BOULEVARD—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING, FLAGGING, LAYING CROSSWALKS AND PAVING, from Willis avenue to One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, and to the extent of half the block on the intersecting streets and avenues.

TRINITY AVENUE—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING AND FLAGGING, from One Hundred and Sixty-first to One Hundred and Sixty-third street. Area of assessment includes both sides of Trinity avenue, between One Hundred and Sixty-first and One Hundred and Sixty-third streets.

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FOURTH STREET—PAVING AND LAYING CROSSWALKS, from the Southern Boulevard to a point 270 feet east of Locust avenue, also, PAVING THE TRIANGULAR SPACE at the intersection of the Southern Boulevard, Trinity avenue and One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street. Area of assessment includes both sides of One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street from the Southern Boulevard to a point 270 feet east of Locust avenue, and to the extent of half the block on the intersecting avenues.

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SIXTH STREET—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING, FLAGGING, LAYING CROSSWALKS AND PAVING, between Third and Rider avenues. Area of assessment includes both sides of One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street, between Third and Rider avenues, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SIXTH STREET—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING AND FLAGGING, from Southern Boulevard to Locust avenue. Area of assessment includes both sides of One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street, from Southern Boulevard to Locust avenue, and to the extent of half the block on the intersecting avenues.

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-SECOND STREET—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING AND FLAGGING, between Teller and Morris avenues. Area of assessment includes both sides of One Hundred and Sixty-second street, between Teller and Morris avenues.

TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH WARDS.

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-EIGHTH STREET—BASINS, on the northwest and southeast corners Tinton avenue; also, BASINS on the northeast corner of One Hundred and Eighty-third street and Webster avenue and on the northwest corner of Clark place and Jerome avenue. Area of assessment includes the north side of One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street, from Boston road to Tinton avenue; east side of Tinton avenue, from Home street to One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street; east side of Webster avenue, from One Hundred and Eighty-third to One Hundred and Eighty-fourth street; north side of One Hundred and Eighty-third street, from Park to Webster avenue; west side of Jerome avenue and Macomb's Dam road, from Clark place to One Hundred and Seventieth street.

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FOURTH STREET—BASIN, on the northeast corner of One Hundred and Sixty-fourth street and Webster avenue, and to the extent of half the block on the intersecting streets.

GILES STREET—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING, FLAGGING AND LAYING CROSSWALKS, between Sedgwick and Boston avenues. Area of assessment includes both sides of Giles street, between Sedgwick and Boston avenues, and to the extent of half the block on the intersecting avenues.

JEROME AVENUE—BASINS, on the northeast and northwest corners of One Hundred and Seventy-seventh and One Hundred and Eighty-third streets. Area of assessment includes west side of Jerome avenue, extending about 113 feet north of One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street; and north side of One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street, from Jerome avenue to Davidson avenue; east side of Jerome avenue, extending about 306 feet north of One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street, and north side of One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street, extending about 314 feet east of Jerome avenue; block bounded by Jerome avenue, Davidson avenue, Hampden street and Evelyn place, and east side of Jerome avenue, from One Hundred and Eighty-third to One Hundred and Eighty-fourth street, and north side of One Hundred and Eighty-third street, from Jerome avenue to Fleetwood avenue.

WASHINGTON AVENUE—BASINS, on the northeast and northwest corners of One Hundred and Seventy-eighth street. Area of assessment includes both sides of Washington avenue, from One Hundred and Seventy-eighth street to One Hundred and Seventy-ninth street, and the north side of One Hundred and Seventy-eighth street and the south side of One Hundred and Seventy-ninth street, between Washington and Bathgate avenues.

WASHINGTON AVENUE—BASINS, on the northeast and northwest corners of One Hundred and Seventy-ninth street. Area of assessment includes both sides of Washington avenue, from One Hundred and Seventy-ninth street to Samuel street, and the north side of One Hundred and Seventy-ninth street, between Washington and Bathgate avenues.

—that the same were confirmed by the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments on December 15, 1897, 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, between the hours of 9 A. M. and 2 P. M., and all payments made thereon on or before February 13, 1898, will be exempt from interest as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from the date of entry in the Record of Titles of Assessments in said Bureau to the date of payment.

ASHBEL P. FITCH,
Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, December 31, 1897.

NOTICE OF ASSESSMENTS FOR OPENING STREETS AND AVENUES.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 916 OF THE "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882," as amended, the Comptroller of the City of New York hereby gives public notice of the confirmation by the Supreme Court, and the entering in the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments, etc., of the assessments for OPENING AND ACQUIRING TITLE to the following-named avenues in the

TWENTY-THIRD WARD.

UNION AVENUE, from the north side of East One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street to the Boston road; confirmed November 15, 1897; entered December 30, 1897. Area of assessment includes 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 southerly side of Jefferson street and the southerly side of Jefferson street produced from a line drawn parallel to Boston road and distant 100 feet westerly from the westerly side thereof to the westerly side of Prospect avenue; on the east by the westerly side of Prospect avenue, from the northerly boundary of area of assessment to a line drawn parallel to East One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street and distant 100 feet southerly from the southerly side thereof; on the south by a line drawn parallel to East One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street and distant 100 feet southerly from the southerly side thereof; and on the west by the easterly side of Tinton avenue, from a line drawn parallel to East One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street and distant 100 feet southerly from the southerly side thereof to the northerly side of East One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street; thence by the northerly side of East One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street to the westerly side of Clinton avenue; thence by a line drawn parallel to Boston road and distant 100 feet westerly from the westerly side thereof to the southerly side of Jefferson street.

TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH WARDS.

FRANKLIN AVENUE, from Third avenue to Crotona Park; confirmed October 11, 1897; entered December 30, 1897. Area of assessment includes 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 a line drawn parallel to Crotona Park, South, and said Crotona Park, South, produced and distant 400 feet northerly from the northerly side thereof; on the south by East One Hundred and Sixty-fourth street; on the east by a line drawn parallel to Boston road and distant 100 feet easterly from the easterly side thereof, from East One Hundred and Sixty-fourth street to East One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street; thence along Boston road to its intersection with Prospect avenue; thence along Prospect avenue to its intersection with Crotona Park, South; thence along a line drawn at right angles to Crotona Park, South, to the northern boundary of area of assessment; and on the west by Third avenue, from East One Hundred and Seventy-first street to Spring place or East One Hundred and Sixty-sixth street; thence along a line drawn parallel to Third avenue and distant 100 feet westerly from the westerly side thereof to the southern boundary of area of assessment.

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

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," Room 31, Stewart Building, between the hours of 9 A. M. and 2 P. M., and all payments made thereon on or before February 28, 1898, 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 respective dates of entry of the assessments 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,
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