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LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

STATED SESSION.

MONDAY, January 1, 1877, {
11 o'clock A. M. }

The Board met in their Chamber, No. 16 City Hall.

PRESENT:

Hon. Samuel A. Lewis, President;

ALDERMEN

William L. Cole,
Magnus Gross,
James J. Gumbleton,
John W. Guntzer,
Patrick Keenan,
William H. McCarthy,

John J. Morris,
Joseph C. Pinckney,
Henry D. Purroy,
John Reilly,
Bryan Reilly,

William Sauer,
Peter Seery,
James J. Slevin,
Michael Tuomey,
William Wade.

MESSAGE FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

The President laid before the Board the following message from his Honor the Mayor:
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT—CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, December 30, 1876.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—I herewith transmit, for your information, a "statement of the cash receipts and expenditures of the New York and Brooklyn Bridge, for the month ending Thursday, November 30, 1876.

W. H. WICKHAM, Mayor.

Statement of the cash receipts and expenditures of the New York and Brooklyn Bridge, for the month ending Thursday, November 30, 1876:

Receipts.

For rent,	\$5,437 73
From the City of New York	20,000 00
" " " the City of Brooklyn	50,000 00
For material sold	150,000 00
	5 00
	\$225,442 73

Expenditures

Salaries of Engineers and Assistants	\$2,496 66
Salary of Master Mechanic	333 33
Salaries of Officers and Clerks	541 66
Drew and Bucki, lumber	26 70
M. Fitzpatrick, horseshoeing	13 50
Atlantic Dock Company, rent	416 67
Brooklyn Daily Eagle, advertising	13 50
Journal of Commerce	29 90
Railroad Gazette	13 00
Evening Post	33 00
Miller & Smith	10 00
New York Herald	65 20
New York Times	5 60
New York Tribune	9 60
John Duggalls	33 00
The Sun	54 00
David Williams	6 50
Scientific Publishing Co.	29 50
Brooklyn Eagle, printing	64 00
H. N. Conklins & Son, lumber	201 03
Marston & Son, coal	14 00
Ray, Forder & Co., repairing gutters, etc	24 61
Keystone Bridge Company, anchor bars and pins	4,008 94
Henry De Bois & Sons, repairing dock	486 13
South Brooklyn Saw-Mill Company, lumber	35 20
De Grauw, Aymar & Co., rope, etc	304 32
Pearce & Mitchell, castings	9 78
Chrome Steel Company, wire rope, steel	11,609 30
C. S. Buell, roofing building	36 97
R. S. Place, clamps, nuts, etc	19 55
Fowler, Crampton & Co., oil	26 52
T. & S. C. White, brimstone	65 65
Philip B. Low, for services	600 00
Geo. Pool & Sons, varnishes, brushes, etc	12 34
J. A. Roeblings' Sons Company, wire and wire rope	237 20
Keufel & Esser, drawing materials	18 55
Union White Lead Manufacturing Company, white lead	21 00
H. S. Manning & Co., drills, tapes, etc	16 98
Hosford & Sons, stationery	3 51
Egleston Bros. & Co., iron	60 00
John Bunce, hardware	15 13
Norman Hubbard, pulley	2 35
W. H. Paine, traveling expenses, etc	24 25
M. Buck, repairs to wagon	4 70
Labor pay-roll ending November 9	2,112 78
Treasurer's salary from December 1, 1875, to November 1, 1876	3,666 67
Labor pay-roll ending November 23	1,901 93
Incidental office expenses	104 72
Incidental construction items	7 55
Freight on wire	30 00
Repairs at 168 South street	21 80
Richard Deevs, appraising property, New York	40 00
H. E. Dorsey, medicines	8 80
David Fithian, window sashes	3 25
	\$29,921 13

HENRY C. MURPHY, President.
JOHN H. PRENTICE, Treasurer.

County of Kings, ss:

Henry C. Murphy, President, and John H. Prentice, Treasurer of the Trustees of the New York and Brooklyn Bridge, being severally duly sworn, each for himself deposes and says, that the foregoing statement is in all respects true, according to the best of their knowledge, information, and belief.

HENRY C. MURPHY,
JOHN H. PRENTICE.

Sworn before me, the 4th day of December, 1876,

O. P. QUINTARD, Notary Public, Kings Co.
Which was ordered on file.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Alderman Wade—

Resolved, That the thanks of this Board are due and are hereby tendered to the Hon. Samuel A. Lewis the retiring President, for the able and dignified manner in which he has presided over its deliberations during the past year, and for the uniform courtesy and affability evinced by him in his intercourse with the members of the Board.

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

By Alderman Pinckney—

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of this Board of Aldermen are due and are hereby given to Francis J. Twomey, Esquire, its Clerk, for the efficiency and integrity displayed in the discharge of the duties of his very responsible office, and for the urbanity manifested by him to us individually and collectively.

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

By Alderman Morris—

Resolved, That we hereby cordially tender to the representatives of the newspaper press in attendance at the sessions of the Board during the year 1876, our thanks for their impartiality in reporting its proceedings, and the uniform courtesy that has characterized their intercourse with its members.

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

MESSAGE FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

The President laid before the Board the following message from his Honor the Mayor:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT—CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, December 29, 1876.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I herewith return to you, without my signature or approval, the report and resolution proposing to lease the premises situated on the southwest corner of Ninth avenue and Twenty-seventh street for the use of the Ninth Regiment N. Y. S. N. G.

I cannot approve the proposed transfer of the Ninth Regiment from their present quarters to the premises indicated. This excellent regiment is one of the very best in the National Guard; it is an object of interest and pride to all our citizens; and a continuance of its present condition of efficiency concerns all the people of the State. We may well hesitate to take any step with regard to that regiment which suggests even the possibility of detriment to it; and the papers which I send to you, annexed to this communication, show that, in the opinion of the Adjutant General, of the Inspector General, of the Major General Commanding the Division, and of the Brigadier General Commanding the Brigade to which the regiment belongs, as well as of the officers and men of the regiment itself, the premises mentioned in your resolution are altogether inadequate and unsuited for the purpose indicated. Such a concurrence of opinions, from such sources, is to me conclusive of the case.

WM. H. WICKHAM, Mayor.

Which was ordered on file.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS RESUMED.

By Alderman Pinckney—

Resolved, That the thanks of the Board are due, and are hereby cordially tendered to the Assistant Clerks and other Officers of the Board, for the efficiency displayed in the performance of their respective duties.

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

Alderman Purroy, Chairman of the Special Committee, appointed to wait upon the Board of Estimate and Apportionment and urge the propriety of setting apart from the Appropriation for Supplies for Charities and Correction the sum of \$100,000 for the relief of the out-door poor, reported verbally they had performed the duty assigned them, and had succeeded in having set apart \$50,000 for that purpose.

Report accepted, and the Committee discharged.

The minutes of this meeting were here read and approved.

And on motion of Alderman McCarthy, the Board adjourned *sine die*.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN FOR 1877.

MONDAY, January 1, 1877, {
12 o'clock M.

ORGANIZATION.

Pursuant to the provisions of section 4 of chapter 335, Laws of 1873, as amended by section 1, chapter 757, Laws of 1874, and section 1 of chapter 515, Laws of 1874, the Aldermen elected at the election held November 7, 1876, now alone constituting the Common Council of the City of New York, appeared in the Chamber of the Board, No. 16 City Hall, at 12 o'clock M., precisely, having previously taken and filed the oath of office required by law.

Francis J. Twomey, Clerk of the Common Council, called the members of the Board to order, and read the following certificates from the County Clerk:

DECLARATION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY CANVASSERS OF THE COUNTY OF NEW YORK IN RELATION TO VOTES GIVEN FOR ALDERMEN.

The Board of County Canvassers of the County of New York, having canvassed and estimated the votes given in the several Election Districts in each of the Assembly Districts of said County, at the General Election held on the 7th day of November, A. D. 1876, do hereby certify, determine, and declare:

Aldermen at Large.

That Samuel A. Lewis, William L. Cole, Henry D. Purroy, Patrick Keenan, Joseph C. Pinckney, and Rufus B. Cowing, by the greatest number of votes, were duly elected Aldermen-at-Large of the City and County of New York.

Aldermen.

That Thomas Sheils, James J. Slevin, and Bryan Reilly, by the greatest number of votes, were duly elected Aldermen for the Fourth Senate District of the City and County of New York.

That John J. Morris, John De Vries, and William Lamb, by the greatest number of votes, were duly elected Aldermen for the Fifth Senate District of the City and County of New York.

That John W. Guntzer, George Hall, and Ferdinand Ehrhart, by the greatest number of votes, were duly elected Aldermen for the Sixth Senate District of the City and County of New York.

That William Salmon, William Sauer, and Henry E. Howland, by the greatest number of votes, were duly elected Aldermen for the Seventh Senate District of the City and County of New York.

That William Joyce, Michael Tuomey, Lewis J. Phillips, and Stephen N. Simonson, by the greatest number of votes, were duly elected Aldermen for the Eighth Senate District and Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City and County of New York.

We certify this Declaration to be correct, and have caused the same to be attested by the signatures of the Chairman and Secretary of this Board, this twenty-first day of November, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six.

HENRY D. PURROY, Chairman.

W. M. WALSH, Secretary.

State of New York, City and County of New York } ss. :
County Clerk's Office.

I hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original Declaration on file in this office, and that it is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole of said original.

[L. S.] Witness my hand and official seal at the New County Court-house, in the City and County of New York, this twenty-first day of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six.

WM. WALSH,
Clerk of the County of New York.

The Clerk then called the roll and the following members answered to their names:

ALDERMEN.

William L. Cole,
Rufus B. Cowing,
John De Vries,
Ferdinand Ehrhart,
John W. Guntzer,
George Hall,
William Joyce,
Patrick Keenan,
Samuel A. Lewis,
John J. Morris,

Lewis J. Phillips,
Joseph C. Pinckney,
Henry D. Purroy,
Bryan Reilly,
William Salmon,
William Sauer,
Thomas Sheils,
Stephen N. Simonson,
James J. Slevin,
Michael Tuomey,

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Alderman Slevin—

Resolved, That Alderman Guntzer be and he is hereby appointed Temporary Chairman of this Board of Aldermen, for the purpose of organization.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

■ Alderman Sauer moved that a committee of two be appointed to conduct the Temporary Chairman to the chair.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And Alderman Sauer and Morris were appointed as such committee.

Alderman Lamb here appeared.

Alderman Guntzer, on taking the chair, thanked the members of the Board for the honor conferred upon him in selecting him to preside temporarily over their deliberations.

He then instructed the Clerk to call the roll of members, as provided in section 6 of chapter 335 of the Laws of 1873, when each one was to announce his choice for President of the Board.

Which proceeding resulted as follows:

In favor of Henry D. Purroy for President—

Aldermen Cole,
Guntzer,
Hall,
Joyce,
Keenan,
Lamb,
Lewis,

Alderman Reilly,
Salmon,
Sauer,
Sheils,
Slevin,
Tuomey—13.

In favor of Joseph C. Pinckney for President—

Alderman Cowing,
De Vries,
Ehrhart,

Aldermen Morris,
Phillips,
Simonson—6.

In favor of Patrick Keenan for President—

Alderman Purroy—1.

In favor of John J. Morris for President—

Alderman Pinckney—1.

Alderman Joyce moved that a committee of two be appointed to conduct the President to the chair.

The Temporary Chairman appointed Alderman Joyce and Morris as such committee; Who, having performed the duty assigned them, were discharged.

The President having taken the chair, addressed the Board at length, in acknowledgment of the honor conferred upon him in choosing him to preside over its deliberations.

By Alderman Lamb—

Resolved, That Francis J. Twomey be and he is hereby elected Clerk to the Board of Aldermen.

Alderman Simonson offered the following as a substitute:

Resolved, That Clarke F. Whittemore be and he is hereby elected Clerk to this Board of Aldermen.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree to accept said substitute.

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

Affirmative—Aldermen Cowing, De Vries, Ehrhart, Morris, Phillips, Pinckney, and Simonson—7.

Negative—The President, Aldermen Cole, Guntzer, Hall, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Reilly, Salmon, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Tuomey—14.

The President then put the question whether the Board would agree with the resolution offered by Alderman Lamb.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cole, Cowing, De Vries, Ehrhart, Guntzer, Hall, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Lewis, Morris, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Salmon, Sauer, Sheils, Simonson, Slevin, and Tuomey—21.

By Alderman Keenan—

Resolved, That James Walsh be and he is hereby appointed Sergeant-at-Arms of the Board of Aldermen.

Alderman Ehrhart offered the following as a substitute:

Resolved, That Frank Keckeisen be and he is hereby elected Sergeant-at-Arms of this Board of Aldermen.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree to accept said substitute.

Which was decided in the negative on a division called by Alderman Ehrhart, by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Aldermen Cowing, De Vries, Ehrhart, Morris, Pinckney, Phillips, and Simonson—7.

Negative—The President, Aldermen Cole, Guntzer, Hall, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Lewis, Reilly, Salmon, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Tuomey—14.

The President then put the question whether the Board would agree with the resolution offered by Alderman Keenan.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cole, Cowing, De Vries, Ehrhart, Guntzer, Hall, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Lewis, Morris, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Salmon, Sauer, Sheils, Simonson, Slevin, and Tuomey—21.

By Alderman Cole—

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to wait upon his Honor the Mayor and inform him that the Board of Aldermen is duly organized, according to law, and prepared to receive any communication he may desire to transmit to the Board.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the President appointed as such committee Aldermen Cole, Lewis, and Pinckney.

The Committee subsequently appeared, and reported that they had performed the duty assigned them, and that his Honor the Mayor would communicate with the Board in writing.

Report accepted, and Committee discharged.

By Alderman Morris—

Resolved, That hereafter the Commissioners of the Park Department be and they are hereby requested to cause all the walks around and intersecting the several parks and public squares to be cleared of snow after each snow-fall; and in case it is impracticable so to remove such snow before it becomes congealed or forms into ice, then that the said Commissioners be and are hereby requested to cause such walks to be sprinkled with sand or ashes, each and every day, until such snow or ice can be removed; and be it further

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby requested, in like manner, to remove the snow or ice from the stoops, steps, and the sidewalk in front of every public building in this city, or similarly sprinkle them with sand or ashes.

Alderman Twomey moved to amend by including the bridge crossing Fourth avenue tunnel, north of Forty-second street.

Which was accepted by Alderman Morris.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Shiels—

Resolved, That the Rules and Orders of the Board of Aldermen, for the year 1876, be and they are hereby adopted, as the Rules and Orders of this Board, until otherwise ordered.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Tuomey—

Resolved, That the seats now occupied by the members be and they are hereby declared to be the seats of such members for the year 1877.

Alderman Simonson offered the following as a substitute:

Resolved, That we do now proceed to draw for seats.

Alderman Keenan moved that the substitute be placed on file.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division called by Alderman Simonson.

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cole, Ehrhart, Guntzer, Hall, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Morris, Pinckney, Salmon, Sauer, Slevin, and Tuomey—14.

Negative—Aldermen Cowing, De Vries, Lewis, Phillips, Sheils, and Simonson—6.

By Alderman Sheils—

Resolved, That the resolution relating to the heating of the city railroad cars, which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, (and subsequently ordered on file) be taken from on file and referred to the Committee on Railroads, when appointed.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Sauer—

Whereas, A resolution was passed by the Board of Aldermen, December 21, 1876, providing for the leasing of premises Nos. 7, 9 and 11, West Thirteenth street, for a term of five years, from the 1st day of January, 1877, at a yearly rental of six thousand dollars, to be used and occupied when so leased by the separate troop of cavalry, Captain Karl Klein, and

Whereas, The entire upper part of the building situated on the corner of Seventh street and Hall place, were leased by the city in 1875, for a term of three years, at \$5,000 per annum, for the use of the Fifty-fifth Regiment, N. G. S. N. Y., which regiment has recently been disbanded, and the said premises are not now occupied and are in every way adapted for the use and occupation of said troop, and will be a saving to the city of the sum of thirty thousand dollars, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 21, 1876, providing for the leasing of the premises known as Nos. 7, 9 and 11 West Thirteenth street, for the use and occupation of the Separate Troop Cavalry, Karl Klein, Commanding, be and the same is hereby annulled, rescinded and repealed.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division called by Alderman Sauer.

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cole, De Vries, Ehrhart, Guntzer, Hall, Joyce, Keenan, Lewis, Pinckney, Reilly, Salmon, Sauer, Sheils, Simonson, Slevin, and Tuomey—17.

Negative—Aldermen Cowing, Morris, and Phillips—3.

MESSAGES FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT—MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, January 1, 1877.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

In this country it is customary for newly elected executive officers to publish, on the day of their taking office, their views and opinions concerning the duties and powers with which they are charged. I have concluded to follow the example of my predecessors, briefly, although I think the duty might be more intelligently discharged at a later day.

On resuming my connection with the administration of our City and County Government, after an interval of six years, I find much that is gratifying and much to deplore.

Our highest prerogative as citizens is the privilege of choosing our rulers and representatives freely and without interference. I congratulate my fellow citizens on the grand spectacle our City presented on the day of the last general election, when 172,000 voters deposited their ballots without any obstruction or disorder, and these ballots were afterwards canvassed openly and justly. That this vote was intelligently given, is demonstrated by the fact that although the party line was distinctly drawn, and only two tickets were in the field, it is estimated that a majority of the whole number of voters refrained from voting a regular party ticket, but discriminated by erasing or changing one or more names on their respective ballots. This result in a population composed of such strange and varied elements is properly a matter of congratulation and pride, while it vindicates the wisdom and practicability of universal suffrage even in large cities. It is more gratifying when contrasted with our condition a few years ago, when dishonest men manipulated our ballot boxes, and ballots of our citizens, by thousands, were counted for candidates against whom they were cast.

Next in importance to honest elections is an honest Judiciary. At the present time it is conceded that all of our Judges are men of good ability and undoubted integrity, within whose jurisdiction liberty and property are protected, and not imperiled.

We all remember the time when some of the Judges of our most important tribunals were the sycophants and tools of the men who had nominations to give, and the courts of law were used by rapacious men as instruments of oppression and extortion.

A very gratifying improvement is also observable in the management of our municipal affairs.

With rare exceptions, the various Departments and Bureaus of the City Government are controlled by officials who are entitled to the respect and confidence of the community. In this respect there has been a manifest improvement during the past few years, and I think it may now be truthfully said, that our city officials will compare favorably with those of any other large city in this country.

It cannot be denied that great faults and defects arising from the inharmonious, irregular, and feeble administration of some of the departments and bureaus, are apparent to all who interest themselves in public matters.

Complaint is constantly made of the condition of our streets and wharves; of our imperfect hack and cab system, and the want of proper and comfortable facilities of communication; of the capricious and spasmodic raids made upon offenders against the laws; of the illegal exactions made by subordinate officials from citizens, whose business and property bring them into communication with some bureau of the city government; of the opening and improvement of streets long in advance of the needs of the public, by which heavy burdens are imposed upon unproductive property, and of various other abuses more or less conspicuous.

It is painful to acknowledge that so much remains to be done to perfect our local government, but the manifest improvement already accomplished warrants us in believing that the evils which still exist may be checked and remedied. If citizens, who are the objects of official injustice, will communicate with this office, its power will be exerted in their behalf.

The subject of municipal reform has recently received considerable attention from our State authorities, both executive and legislative, and it is to be hoped that the commission recently appointed to report to the Legislature such constitutional amendments or laws to remedy the evils of our municipal systems, composed as it is of some of the ablest men in the State, may be instrumental in procuring amendments to our constitution and laws, which will effectually correct many if not all the evils of our present defective system of municipal government.

During the period of misrule to which I have alluded, our city indebtedness was enormously increased. Some portion of this debt is so involved that it is difficult to estimate its magnitude, and it is to be greatly regretted that there are now pending in the various Courts of law about thirty-eight hundred suits, involving in the aggregate several millions of dollars.

The debt of the city at the present time, including Assessment Bonds, etc., is estimated to be..... \$141,977,713 00
Less amount in Sinking Fund..... 28,147,102 00

Leaving a net debt..... \$113,830,611 00

In addition to this there are revenue bonds outstanding, issued in anticipation of the collection of taxes, amounting to..... 6,104,844 00

There is also to be added for the liability of the city for the debts of the annexed portion of Westchester county..... 1,245,000 00

An additional bonded indebtedness has been authorized, as follows:

TITLES OF BONDS OR STOCKS.	ACTS OF LEGISLATURE.	AMOUNTS AUTHORIZED TO BE ISSUED.
Museum of Art and Natural History Stock.....	Chap. 290, Laws of 1871.....	\$225,000 00
Additional Croton Water Stock.....	Chaps. 56 and 328, Laws of 1871.....	1,000,000 00
Additional New Croton Aqueduct Stock.....	Chap. 230, Laws of 1870.....	Unlimited
Assessment Fund Stock (Consolidated Stock).....	Chap. 565, Laws of 1865	454,505 12
Dock Bonds.....	Chap. 571, Laws of 1871	3,000,000 00
Third District Court-house Bonds.....	Chaps. 55 and 292, Laws of 1871, and Chap. 209, Laws of 1876.....	70,000 00

TITLES OF BONDS OR STOCKS.	ACTS OF LEGISLATURE.	AMOUNTS AUTHORIZED TO BE ISSUED.	
New York County Court-house Stock, No. 4.....	Chap. 382, Laws of 1870.....	\$500,000 00	The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative
New York County Court-house Stock, No. 5.....	Chap. 583, Laws of 1871.....	671,908 93	Alderman Reilly moved that when the Board adjourn it do so to meet on Thursday next the 4th instant, at 2 o'clock P. M.
Croton Reservoir Bonds.....	Chap. 784, Laws of 1869.....	24,362 64	The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion. Which was decided in the affirmative.
Fire Telegraph Bonds.....	Chap. 465, Laws of 1871.....	250,000 00	By Alderman Reilly—
New York Bridge Bonds, amount limited to \$1,000,000 in any one year.....	Chap. 300, Laws of 1873.....	1,285,266 00	Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Nash & Fuller to erect a storm-door in front of their premises in Park row and Nassau street (Times building), the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.
Croton Water-main Stock, amount limited to \$500,000 in any one year.....	Chap. 477, Laws of 1875.....	1,090,000 00	The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in affirmative.
Consolidated Stock of the City of New York, for equipment of building of Museum and Natural History.....	Chap. 351, Laws of 1875.....	200,000 00	By Alderman Phillips—
City Parks Improvement Fund Stock.....	Chap. 608, Laws of 1875.....	90,000 00	Resolved, That the following officers shall be constituted by this Board of Aldermen, and their compensation shall be fixed as stated :
Assessment Bonds.....	Chap. 397, Laws of 1852; Chap. 580, Laws of 1872.....	Unlimited.	Clerk, at an annual salary of \$5,000 00 First Assistant Clerk, at an annual salary of 2,000 00 Second " " 1,500 00 Third " " 1,200 00 Fourth " and act as Librarian, at an annual salary of 1,000 00 Fifth " " 1,000 00 A Sergeant-at-Arms, at an annual salary of 700 00 First Messenger, " 1,000 00 Second Messenger, " 900 00 Doorkeeper, act as Janitor, " 700 00
Bonds for Payment of Claims for Rent of Armories and Drill-rooms.....	Chap. 439, Laws of 1876.....	233,483 00	
Stock to Provide for Construction of Bridges and Tunnels over the Harlem river.....	Chap. 534, Laws of 1871; and Chap. 329, Laws of 1874.....	Unlimited.	
Revenue Bonds for Additional Free Floating Baths.....	Chap. 169, Laws of 1876	30,500 00	
Revenue Bonds in Anticipation of Taxes.....	Charter of 1873.....	For amount not to exceed the annual taxes.	

The Board of Estimate and Apportionment, consisting of four of the highest city officials, are charged with a most important duty in fixing and limiting the amount to be raised by taxation and to be expended by each of the Departments, a duty which they have discharged with singular fidelity and wisdom. It seems to me that the efficiency of this Board might be still further increased by appointing to it an additional member directly representing the taxable property, particularly the real estate, of the city.

It became necessary during the administration of my immediate predecessor, to take measures for the protection of the ferry rights of the city. Suits have been instituted, one of which involves the very important question whether our ferry franchises extend to the newly acquired territory embraced in the towns of Morrisania, West Farms, and Kingsbridge. The annexation of these towns to the city has added to our municipal territory a new water front on the eastern shore of the Harlem river, and on the East river, and it is very important that the rights of the city therein should be fully protected. Another litigation now pending relates to the lease of five of the city ferries running to Brooklyn, at a nominal rent, being a loss to the Sinking Fund of more than \$100,000 per annum. The pending suit seeks to have the lease set aside as an unlawful diversion of rents that are pledged to the Sinking Fund. Proceedings have also been taken to determine whether the Central Railroad of New Jersey is infringing on the ferry rights of the city. The progress and results of these litigations will be made known to you in due time.

The deficient supply of Croton water during a portion of the past year, has occasioned much inconvenience, and many remedies have been suggested. Our financial condition will not permit us to construct a new aqueduct. The present one cost ten millions of dollars when laborers received only fifty cents per day, and an additional one might now cost double that sum.

Our present aqueduct can convey to the city one hundred and ten millions of gallons per day, an amount much beyond our necessities, and on the completion of the new reservoirs in Westchester county, this quantity can be furnished regularly during the whole year. These new reservoirs, I am informed, can be completed within a year, and when completed there will be a supply of water sufficient to meet the requirements of the city. Besides this, the new high-service water-works for the purpose of supplying water to the elevated localities of the city, will soon be completed, when water can be furnished in the upper stories of most of our buildings. It is also a fact worthy of consideration, that during the past season, when there was an exceptional scarcity of water, there was a sufficient supply for all necessary and legitimate purposes, and that as soon as the services of our efficient police force were directed to stopping the waste of water, all danger of a failure of supply was at once averted. I am opposed to the extension of the use of water-meters to private houses, believing that there is no necessity for any such innovation in our water system.

The subject of rapid transit is one of very great importance to our city, and I trust that some method of communication between the upper and lower portions of the city will be devised which will accomplish the desired object, without causing uncompensated injury to the property along the route.

The recent combination on the part of the gas companies to compel the city to pay \$30 per lamp, per annum, instead of \$23, as heretofore, (an attempt happily frustrated by the strictures of the press and the force of public opinion), suggests the consideration of the propriety of adopting some system of lighting the city which shall be under the control of its own authorities.

The present depression and stagnation in our business affairs, the large number of persons now out of employment, greater by far than ever before known, and the consequent depression in the value of real estate in our city, call for increased vigilance on our part to see that no greater burthens are placed upon the people than are necessary, and for increased fidelity in the discharge of the trusts committed to our charge.

I therefore think that we should not only abstain from sanctioning any increase of the city debt, and from creating any new public office but that we should rigidly reduce, as far as practicable, both the numbers and the salaries, of those now in existence. A winter of unusual severity compel us to deal at once with the most difficult social problems, in providing the means and the agents for the relief of destitution, without encouraging pauperism and vice.

A good city government cannot be secured by the acts of the officials alone, without the co-operation of the people. With such co-operation, it is fair to believe that the government of our city, instead of being a scandal and reproach, as it was a few years ago, may be made creditable to our position as the first city of the continent.

SMITH ELY, JR., Mayor.

Whereupon Alderman Hall offered the following:

Resolved, That the message of his Honor the Mayor be entered in full in the minutes, printed in the CITY RECORD, as required by law, and that five hundred copies thereof be printed in document form.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman Morris moved that when the Board adjourns, it proceed in a body, preceded by its President, to the Mayor's office, in order to tend to his Honor the Mayor the compliments of the season.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Salmon—

Resolved, That the various subjects embraced in the inaugural message of his Honor the Mayor, be appropriately referred to the Committees of this Board, when appointed.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

(G. O. 1.)

By Alderman Sauer—

Resolved, That the rooms on the third floor of the building situated on the corner of Hall place and Seventh street, now leased by the city, be and they are hereby assigned and set apart for the use and occupation of the Separate Troop of Cavalry, Karl Klein, Commanding, and the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to carry into effect the provisions of this resolution.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 2.)

By the same—

Resolved, That the second floor of the building corner of Seventh street and Hall place be and the same is hereby assigned and set apart for the use and occupation of the First Troop Washington Greys Cavalry, Captain Lorenzo Boker; and the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to carry into effect the provisions of this resolution.

Which was laid over.

By Alderman Keenan—

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

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works, when appointed.

By the same—

Whereas, The Special Committee appointed by the late Board of Aldermen did not have time to complete the investigation of alleged abuses in the construction of the Third District Court-house, be it therefore

Resolved, That the same committee be and they are hereby authorized and required to continue the investigation entered above by the Committee of the late Board of Aldermen.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.
Which was decided in the affirmative
Alderman Reilly moved that when the Board adjourn it do so to meet on Thursday next the 4th instant, at 2 o'clock P. M.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion.
Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Reilly—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Nash & Fuller to erect a storm-door in front of their premises in Park row and Nassau street (Times building), the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

By Alderman Phillips—

Resolved, That the following officers shall be constituted by this Board of Aldermen, and their compensation shall be fixed as stated :

Clerk, at an annual salary of	\$5,000 00
First Assistant Clerk, at an annual salary of	2,000 00
Second " "	1,500 00
Third " "	1,200 00
Fourth " and act as Librarian, at an annual salary of	1,000 00
Fifth " "	1,000 00
A Sergeant-at-Arms, at an annual salary of	700 00
First Messenger, "	1,000 00
Second Messenger, "	900 00
Doorkeeper, act as Janitor, "	700 00

\$15,000 00

And the Clerk of this Board is hereby requested to carry into effect this rule of the Board, pursuant to the authority vested in him by section 5, chapter 757, Laws of 1873.

Alderman Gunter moved that the resolution be placed on file.

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, Aldermen Cole, Gunter, Hall, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Lewis, Reilly, Salmon, Sauer, Sheils, and Slevin—13.

Negative—Aldermen Cowing, De Vries, Erhardt, Morris, Phillips, Pinckney, and Simonson—7.

Alderman Sheils 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 announced that the Board stood adjourned until Thursday next, the 4th instant, at 2 o'clock P. M.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk.

APPROVED PAPERS.

Ordinances, Resolutions, etc., approved by the Mayor during the week ending December 30, 1876.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Peter B. Knapp to place and keep a pedestal or post, not more than 18 inches square, surmounted by a druggist's sign, in front of No. 362 Hudson street; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 14, 1876.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, December 28, 1876, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 11, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the same became adopted.

Resolved, That the leasing of premises for an armory and drill-room for the use and occupation for military purposes of the First Troop Cavalry, Karl Klein commanding, N. G. S. N. Y., in the City and County of New York, be and the same is hereby authorized, and that the Clerk of this Board be and he is hereby authorized and directed to execute a lease in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, and to affix the seal of said Corporation thereto, of the premises situated at Nos. 7, 9, and 11 West Thirteenth street, being the same premises now occupied by Major-General Shaler and staff for an armory, for the use and occupation of the First Troop Cavalry, Karl Klein, commander, for the term of five years from the first day of January, 1877, at the yearly rental of six thousand dollars, payable quarterly; that the said lease shall provide that no alterations of or additions to the said premises shall be made by the said Corporation or the said troop without the previous written consent of the owners. Also, that the superstructure shall be kept in good repair during the term of said lease, by and at the expense of the owners of said property, and that there be inserted in said lease the usual fire clause. And that the Comptroller be and he is hereby directed to pay said rent quarterly.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 21, 1876.

Approved by the Mayor, December 29, 1876.

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

William C. Emmett, instead of George W. Carpenter, whose term of office has expired.

Samson Lachman, " J. Edward De Laney, " "

John J. Lynch, " Moor Falls, " "

Thomas J. Gaytee, " James Kearney, " "

Jacob A. Weil, " John P. Kane, " "

William H. Tone, " William J. Lacey, " "

Charles J. Taylor, " James Steers, " "

Joseph J. Kelly, " George W. Nash, " "

John F. Cullen, " John Lovelock, " "

Chris. M. Buckman, " John G. Boyd, " "

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 21, 1876.

Approved by the Mayor, December 29, 1876.

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby requested to report to the Board, at his earliest convenience :

First—The number and location of street-lamps ordered to be lighted in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, from the date of their annexation to the present time.

Second—The name of the company or companies that supplies that portion of the city with gas.

Third—The amount paid for lighting each lamp, and the authority or agreement under which said company or companies furnishes gas for the public; and

Fourth—The number of lamps ordered to be lighted in said wards (if any) not yet erected.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 21, 1876.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, December 28, 1876, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 11, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the same became adopted.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to L. V. Conover & Co. to place a platform scale on the sidewalk in front of their premises Nos. 336, 338, 340 East Twenty-ninth street, the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 21, 1876.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, December 28, 1876, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 11, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the same became adopted.

Resolved, That the premises situated on the corner of Hall place and Seventh street, lately occupied by the Fifty-fifth Regiment, N. G. S. N. Y., recently disbanded, be and they are hereby assigned for the use and occupation of the First Troop Washington Greys Cavalry, Captain Lorenzo Boker; and the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to remove the furniture and other property belonging to the city now in the armory occupied by said troop, corner Broadway and Forty-fourth street,

AN ORDINANCE to amend an ordinance entitled "An ordinance to amend section 9 of chapter XIII. of the Revised Ordinances of 1866, entitled 'Of firing of firearms, cannons, and fireworks,' passed May 17, 1876."

The Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York do ordain as follows: Section 1. Section 1 of the above-entitled ordinance is hereby amended by omitting therefrom the words "Sulzer's East River Park," and by adding thereto, at the end thereof, the following: "Brien's Undercliff Park, Highbridge,"—so that said section 9 of chapter XIII. of the Revised Ordinances of 1866, when so amended, shall read as follows:

"Sec. 9. No person shall fire or discharge any gun, pistol, fowling-piece, or other firearm in the City of New York, under the penalty of ten dollars for each offense. The provisions of this section shall not apply to Jones' Wood Coliseum, Washington Park, Hamilton Park, Bender's Schutzen Park, Bellevue Garden, Harlem River Park, Lion Park, Christ's Park, Kuntz Elm Park, National Park, Karl Park, Jerome Park, Fleetwood Park, Hudson River Park, and Brien's Undercliff Park, Highbridge."

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

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 21, 1876.

Approved by the Mayor, December 28, 1876.

Resolved, That the resolution approved March 15, 1870, authorizing the Justices of the several Police and Civil Courts to appoint janitors, be and is hereby annulled, rescinded, and repealed.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 21, 1876.

Approved by the Mayor, December 28, 1876.

Resolved, That the leasing of premises for an armory and drill-room for the use and occupation for military purposes of Companies A, K, and G, of the Twenty-seventh Regiment, N. G. S. N. Y., in the City and County of New York, be and the same is hereby authorized, and the Clerk of this Board be and he is hereby authorized and directed to execute a lease in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, and to affix the seal of said Corporation thereto, of the hall and rooms on the second floor of the building known as Morrisania Hall, situated on Railroad avenue, between One Hundred and Sixty-sixth and One Hundred and Sixty-seventh streets, for the term of two (2) years from the first day of January, 1877, at the yearly rental of seven hundred and fifty dollars, payable quarterly, to be used and occupied by Companies A, G, and K of the Twenty-seventh Regiment, N. G. S. N. Y., for an armory; that the said lease shall provide that no alterations or additions to the said premises shall be made by the said Corporation or the said companies without the previous written consent of the owners; also, that the superstructure shall be kept in good repair during the term of said lease by and at the expense of the owners of said property, and that there be inserted in said lease the usual fire clause; and that the Comptroller be and he is hereby directed to pay the said rent quarterly.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 26, 1876.

Approved by the Mayor, December 29, 1876.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby granted to Jane E. Emmons to erect a pie and coffee stand of iron and glass within the stoop lines on the westerly side of Church street, between Cortlandt and Liberty streets, the same to stand during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 26, 1876.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, December 28, 1876, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 11, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the same became adopted.

Resolved, That the Legislature of the State, at its next session, be requested to enact such laws as will enable the corporate authorities of the City of New York to provide for the manufacture of gas and the laying of gas-main in the streets, avenues, and public places of this city, in the same manner as Croton-mains are now laid; and be it further

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation prepare a draft of an act relating to the above subject, and transmit the same to the presiding officers of the State Legislature at its session commencing January, 1877.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 26, 1876.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, December 28, 1876, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 11, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the same became adopted.

Resolved, That the Board of City Record be and is hereby requested to cause five hundred copies of the CITY RECORD, containing the official canvass of the election held November 7, 1876, to be printed for the use of the members of this Board, to be delivered to the Clerk and distributed under his direction.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 26, 1876.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, December 28, 1876, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 11, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the same became adopted.

Resolved, That Simon Goodfriend be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of John Balmor, who has failed to qualify.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 26, 1876.

Approved by the Mayor, December 28, 1876.

Resolved, That the three southernmost rooms, on the east side of the hall, on the third floor of the brown-stone building, 32 Chambers street, City Hall Park, be and the same are hereby set apart, provided, designated, and assigned as and for chambers for the joint use and occupancy of the Recorder, the City Judge, and the Judge of the Court of General Sessions; and that the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to give notice and make provision accordingly.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 26, 1876.

Approved by the Mayor, December 28, 1876.

Resolved, That the resolutions of the Board of Supervisors adopted December 16, 1857, March 23, 1858, March 7, 1859, July 14, 1856, December 28, 1866, December 16, 1862, and December 31, 1863, granting authority to the Recorder and City Judge to appoint Clerks and Messengers and to fix compensation for their services, and to incur expense for cleaning offices, be and the same are hereby repealed, rescinded, and annulled from and after the 31st day of December, 1876.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 28, 1876.

Approved by the Mayor, December 29, 1876.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Dearborn G. Piper to erect a flagstaff in front of his premises, No. 272 Bleecker street, the said flagstaff to be not more than seventy-five feet high, not to exceed eighteen inches in diameter, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 28, 1876.

Approved by the Mayor, December 29, 1876.

Resolved, That Tenth avenue, from Ninety-fifth to One Hundred and Tenth street, be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter stones set, and sidewalks flagged a space four feet wide through the centre thereof, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 7, 1876.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, December 18, 1876, with his objections thereto.

In Board of Aldermen, December 28, 1876, taken up and considered, as provided in section 13, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, and adopted, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor, three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Thomas McGuire to place a sign in front of premises No. 64 Bowery, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 28, 1876.

Approved by the Mayor, December 29, 1876.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to M. J. Gallagher to retain a stand at the southwest corner of Vesey and Greenwich streets, said stand not to exceed in dimensions eight by five feet, permission for the said privilege having been obtained from the lessee of the said premises; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 11, 1876.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, December 18, 1876, with his objections thereto.

In Board of Aldermen, December 28, 1876, taken up and considered, as provided in section 13, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, and adopted, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor, three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY,
Clerk of the Common Council.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT,
CITY OF NEW YORK,
MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,
Friday, December 29, 1876—3 o'clock P. M.

The Board met in pursuance to an adjournment.

Present—All the members, viz. :

William H. Wickham, the Mayor of the City of New York; John Kelly, the Comptroller of the City of New York; Samuel A. Lewis, the President of the Board of Aldermen; John Wheeler, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments.

The minutes of the meetings held December 26 and 27, 1876, were read and approved.

The Chairman offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the appropriation "Contingencies—Mayor's Office," 1876, the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation "City Contingencies," 1876, the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

And put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote :

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

The Chairman offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of three hundred dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the appropriation "Contingencies—Mayor's Office," 1876, the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation "Contingencies—Mayor's Office," 1875, the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

And put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote :

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

The President of the Board of Aldermen moved that the resolution appropriating \$35,000 to various charitable institutions, adopted at meeting of December 12, 1876, be amended so as to except the "Night Refuge Association of the City of New York" from the restrictions relating to building or furnishing any building, etc., therein contained.

Which was agreed to.

By unanimous consent, the rule adopted at meeting of June 23, 1874, relating to calls of meetings, was suspended, in order to act upon the issue of "Museums of Art and Natural History Stock."

Whereupon the Comptroller offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That in pursuance of the authority conferred upon the Board of Estimate and Apportionment by the provisions of section 112 of chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized to issue, from time to time, as may be required, and at such rates of interest as he may determine, not exceeding seven per cent. per annum, "Museums of Art and Natural History Stock," authorized by chapter 290, Laws of 1871, and on account of requisition of the Department of Public Parks dated September 9, 1875, twenty-five thousand dollars.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote :

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

The Comptroller offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of eleven thousand two hundred and eighty-nine dollars and twenty-one cents (\$11,289.21) be and the same is hereby transferred from the following appropriations, namely : For 1876—

Salaries, Judiciary—Supreme Court, Attendants.	\$64 51
" " Superior Court, Judges.....	5,241 94
" " Superior Court, Clerks.....	881 47
" " Superior Court, Attendants.....	6 45
" " Marine Court, Judges.....	473 91
" " Marine Court, Stenographers.....	1,023 60
" " Marine Court, Attendants.....	3,596 75
" " General Sessions and Oyer and Terminer, Clerk.....	4
" " General Sessions and Oyer and Terminer, Deputy Clerk.....	8
" " General Sessions and Oyer and Terminer, Stenographer.....	4
" " District Attorney's office, Clerks, etc.....	38
" " City Judge's office, Messenger.....	4
Total.....	\$11,289 21

The same being in excess of the amounts required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the following appropriations, named : For 1876—

Salaries, Judiciary—Supreme Court, Clerks, etc.	\$208 32
" " Court of Common Pleas, Clerks, etc.....	916 66
" " Court of General Sessions, additional Clerks.....	85 94
" " Court of General Sessions, Attendants.....	6,336 66
" " Recorder's office, Cleaning.....	75 00
" " Surrogate's office, Clerks, etc.....	3,666 63
Total.....	\$11,289 21

The amounts of said appropriations being insufficient.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote :

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

The Comptroller offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 221 of the Laws of 1875, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby appropriate from the Excise moneys, to the charitable and benevolent institutions in the City of New York, which "gratuitously aid, support, and assist the poor," the sums stated as a per capita allowance for the poor and destitute persons actually treated, cared for, or educated in and by them respectively, as designated in the following schedule, and amounting in the aggregate to the sum of \$164,343, which appropriation is made with the distinct provision that no part of these moneys is to be used or applied by any of said institutions as a permanent fund, or for the purpose of erecting or furnishing any building, or for the payment of the salary of any employee, or liquidation of any debt, but the whole amount allowed to each institution is to be used and applied to the purposes above stated, as provided by law, viz., to "gratuitously aid, support, and assist the poor."

CHARITABLE SOCIETIES AND MISSIONS.

NAME OF INSTITUTION.

	No. of persons supported for 6 months in 1876.	Rate per capita.	No. of out-door poor assisted 6 months in 1876.	Rate per capita.	Amount allowed in 1876.
The Church Mission to Deaf Mutes.	6	\$0 75	.....	.....	\$450 00
The Five Points Mission.	450	2 00	1,200	15	2,100 00
The Howard Mission.	38	5 00	2,767	75	2,265 25
Ladies' Union Relief Association for Care of Disabled Soldiers and their Families.	.....	.....	1,100	5 00	5,500 00
German Ladies' Society for Support of Widows and Orphans.	.....	.....	4,167	1 00	4,167 00
The New York Die Kitchen Association.	.....	.....	28,800	12 1/2	3,600 00
The New York Female Assistance Society for the Relief of the Sick Poor.	100	.....	say 4,500	50	2,250 00
Society for the Relief of Destitute Children of Seamen.	100	20 00	.....	.....	1,000 00
Society for the Relief of the Destitute Blind (Home for the Blind).	27	50 00	11	20 00	1,570 00
United Hebrew Charities of the City of New York.	.....	.....	19,195	40	7,678 00
Women's Aid Society and Home for Training Young Girls.	150	3 00	.....	.....	450 00
Women's Prison Association.	50	10 00	.....	.....	1,000 00
West Side Relief Association.	.....	.....	12,500	15	1,875 00
The German Society of the City of New York—January 26, 1876.	.....	.....	6,787	50	3,393 50
The Bread and B of House.	.....	.....	4,076	25	1,019 00
Children's Educational Relief Association—March 21, 1876.	.....	.....	1,728	50	804 00
French Benevolent Society.	.....	.....	994	1 00	994 00
New York Colored Mission.	.....	.....	320	1 00	320 00
The New York Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children.	.....	.....	relieved	.....	.....
Ladies' Association of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church.	.....	.....	say 1,000	1 50	1,500 00
Free Dormitory for Women.	10,000	10	.....	.....	1,000 00
The Midnight Mission.	3,350	15	.....	.....	502 00
The Swiss Benevolent Society.	3,000	15	.....	.....	450 00
The Twenty-third Ward Relief Association.	500	1 00	.....	.....	500 50
West Farms Ladies' Benevolent and Employment Society.	Meals, etc., go	1 50	.....	.....	135 00
The Prison Association.	Persons assisted,	4 00	.....	.....	3,224 00
" "	Assisted,	806	.....	.....	183 30
Twenty-fourth Ward Relief Association.	Assisted,	183	.....	.....	316 00
Guild of Ignatius.	Assisted,	158	.....	.....	400 00
Harlem Missionary Association.	Assisted,	200	.....	.....	400 00
The Seventeenth Ward Ragged Mission, Mrs. Franklin Allen, Treasurer.	Assisted,	200	.....	.....	750 00
Total.					\$50,062 00

DISPENSARIES.

NAME OF DISPENSARY.

	No. of Patients Treated for 6 months.	Rate per Capita.	Amount allowed for 1876.
New York Dispensary.	22,842	\$0 6	\$1,370 12
Demilt Dispensary.	15,235	8 8	1,218 88
The Eastern Dispensary.	8,956	12	1,064 22
The Northeastern Dispensary.	10,381	12	1,245 72
The Northwestern Dispensary.	10,577	10	1,057 70
The Western Homoeopathic Dispensary.	5,892	15	883 80
The Northern Dispensary.	8,978	12	1,076 76
Tompkins Square Homoeopathic Dispensary.	6,744	15	1,011 60
New York Free Dispensary for Sick Children.	4,858	10	485 80
New York Dispensary for Diseases of Throat and Chest.	1,403	40	561 20
The Central Dispensary.	4,010	12	481 20
The Harlem Dispensary.	3,611	20	722 20
The West Side German Dispensary.	3,078	12	369 70
Northeastern Homoeopathic Dispensary.	2,941	20	588 20
Yorkville Homoeopathic Dispensary.	4,306	15	854 80
The New York Ear Dispensary.	1,122	30	336 60
Eclectic Dispensary.	1,350	20	370 00
New York Homoeopathic Dispensary.	900	20	180 00
The New York Homoeopathic Medical College Dispensary.	4,512	10	451 20
Bureau of Medical and Surgical Relief, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.	1,118	15	272 70
Total.			\$14,602 80

ORPHAN ASYLUMS.

NAME OF ASYLUM.

	Number of Orphans supported.	Rate per capita.	Amount allowed for 1876.
Orphan Home and Asylum of the Protestant Episcopal Church.	150	\$0 50	\$750 00
St. Joseph's Asylum.	222	8 00	1,110 00
Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum.	209	8 00	1,672 00
Society for the Relief of Half Orphans and Destitute Children.	232	5 00	1,160 00
Total.			\$4,520 00

INFIRMARIES.

NAME OF INFIRMARY.

	Number of Patients supported for six months.	Rate per capita.	Amount allowed for 1876.
West Side Infirmary for Diseases of the Eye and Throat.	.....	864	\$216 00
New York Eye and Ear Infirmary.	153	\$10 00	2,668 80
New York Infirmary for Women and Children.	85	10 00	1,481 80
Total.			\$4,365 80

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

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

On motion, the Board adjourned, to meet on Saturday, December 30, 1876, at 12:30 o'clock P. M.

JOHN WHEELER, Secretary.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

	Number of Patients supported for six months.	Rate per capita.	Amount allowed for 1876.
Elizabeth Jones—Damages to premises by change of grade of Manhattan street, \$2,280.			
Patrick Anthony—Balance of salary as Clerk, Seventh District Court, from January 1, 1874, to January 1, 1876, \$1,000.			
George L. Loutrel, salary as Assistant Clerk, Third District Court, between January 9, 1873, and January 1, 1875, and for 1875, \$6,435.84.			
Jacob A. Hatzel—Balance of salary as Clerk Fourth District Court, from January, 1874, to January, 1876, \$1,000.			
George W. Nash—Balance of salary as Assistant Clerk Fifth District Court, from January, 1874, to February, 1876, \$1,041.66.			
Union India Rubber Co.—To recover deposit made to secure use of Croton water, \$300.			
Charles A. Hankins—Summons for money demand, \$4,745.			
Earnard Byrne—To recover the interest of two bonds issued by town of West Farms, \$70.			
Wm. A. Butler, receiver, etc., vs. Wm. H. Johnston et al., the Mayor, etc.—To foreclose mortgage.			
People ex rel. Anthony Feehan, executor, vs. the Board of Assessors, etc.—Petition of James A. Deering, attorney for relator, to be paid his fees out of award made by the city to relator, for change of grade of Manhattan street.			
In the matter of the petition of the First German Baptist Church—To have the taxes for 1869 and 1870 cancelled, and the sale made for nonpayment of same set aside.			
In re New York Protestant Episcopal Public School—To vacate assessment for setting curb and gutter stones and flagging First avenue, from Sixty-fifth to Eighty-sixth street.			
In re Leonard Appleby—To vacate assessment for flagging Fifty-seventh street, from Sixth to Eighth avenue.			
In re George Hoffmann—To vacate an assessment for regulating, curbing, etc., Fifth avenue, from One Hundred and Thirtieth to One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street.			
In re George E. Righter—To vacate assessment for regulating, etc., Eighty-fourth street, between Eighth and Tenth avenues.			
In re A. Andreas—To vacate assessment for regulating, etc., Eighty-fourth street, between Eighth and Tenth avenues.			
In re William A. Righter—To vacate assessment for regulating, etc., Eighty-fourth street, between Eighth and Tenth avenues.			
In re Francis E. Tupper—To vacate assessment for regulating, etc., Eighty-fourth street, between Eighth and Tenth avenues.			
In re Ephriam D. Brown, Executor of estate J. Clapp, deceased, to vacate assessment, paving First avenue between Thirty-sixth and Sixty-first streets.			
In the matter of the petition of First German Baptist Church to have the taxes for 1869 and 1870 cancelled, and the sale made for non-payment set aside.			

HOSPITALS.

NAME OF HOSPITAL.

	Number of Patients Supported.	Rate per Capita.	Number of Out-door Patients for six mos.	Rate per Capita.	Amount allowed for 1876.
Metropolitan Throat Hospital.	8	\$12 00	2,556	40 10	\$355 60
St. Francis Hospital.	959	1 50	18,700	15	4,243 50
St. Vincents' Hospital.	407	1 50	2,400	10	3,500 50
Mt. Sinai Hospital.	832	1 50	10,000	30	4,248 00
German Hospital and Dispensary.	123	4 00	12,359	15	2,567 85
Number partially supported.	101	2 00	4,000	10	1,000 00
St. Elizabeth Hospital.	30	20 00	4,000	.....	.....
New York Orthopaedic Dispensary.	49	5 00	95	1 00	3,085 00
In Hospital Department.	529	6 00	.....	.....	.....
In Dispensary Department.	435	3 00	.....	.....	.....
St. Luke's Hospital.	42	10 00	1,668	22	650 00
Number partially supported.	65	10 00	2,000	20	959 20
St. Mary's Free Hospital for Children.	14	20 00	1,668	25	1,115 00
Manhattan Eye and Ear Hospital.	82	7 50	2,000	20	1,774 50
New York Ophthalmic Hospital.	33	15 00	2,418	25	2,400 00
The New York Ophthalmic and Aural Institute.	90	7 50	.....	.....	.....
Partially supported.	400	6 00	.....	.....	.....
Women's Hospital in the State of New York.					\$28,635 15
Total.				</	

SUPERIOR COURT.

Henry S. Sloane and ano.—Stationery, etc., furnished in December 1875 and January 1876. \$182.10.

SCHEDULE "B."

JUDGMENTS ENTERED AND ORDERS OF THE SPECIAL AND GENERAL TERMS.

Fred Law Olmstead—Judgment entered in favor of plaintiff, by consent, for \$525.93.

William Detlef—Judgment entered in favor of plaintiff, by consent, for \$369.26.

Terence G. O'Brien—Judgment entered in favor of defendants for \$324.85.

In re Clara M. Pengnet—Entered order on remittitur from Court of Appeals in favor of city.

John J. Davenport—Entered order on remittitur from Court of Appeals in favor of defendants. Entered judgment in favor of defendant for \$103.54, costs Court of Appeals.

In re Ellen S. Anchmuty—Order entered vacating assessment, with costs.

In re Congregation Shaari Zedek—Order entered denying motion to vacate assessment.

In re Hebrew Benevolent Society—do do

In re Second Baptist Church—do do

In re Central Presbyterian Church—do do

In re Mary E. Serrell—Entered order of affirmance at General Term. Entered judgment for \$17.04 costs.

MARINE COURT.

Ephraim Howe, Geo. W. Post—Discontinued.

Timothy Clifford—Judgment entered in favor of plaintiff for \$2,627.81.

Allen R. Seaman—Judgment entered in favor of plaintiff for \$3,455.71.

Joseph C. Brady—Order of discontinuance without costs entered.

James Fitzgerald—Judgment entered in favor of plaintiff, on offer, for \$97.94.

Richard Kennedy—Entered order at General Term, denying plaintiff's motion for reargument with \$10 costs.

In re. Jeremiah H. Moore—Entered judgment in favor of city, on remittitur from Court of Appeals for \$103.54 costs.

People ex rel. Gallatin National Bank—Entered judgment in favor of city on remittitur from Court of Appeals for \$407.54.

William C. Connor, Sheriff—Judgment entered in favor of plaintiff for \$30,744.90.

Alonzo Carr—Judgment entered in favor of plaintiff for \$399.24.

SCHEDULE "C."

SUITS AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS TRIED OR ARGUED.

Allen R. Seaman—Tried before Van Brunt, J., and jury. Verdict for plaintiff by direction for \$2,705.31.

Thomas Conroy—Francis Sheridan—Argued at Court of Appeals.

Henry J. Great et al.—Motion for new trial on the part of plaintiff, argued before Lawrence, J., and denied.

The Mayor, etc., vs. Goodman et al.—Tried before Barrett, J.; verdict for plaintiff.

People, ex rel. Anthony J. Oliver and eighteen others, vs. The Board of Canvassers, etc.—Submitted before Van Hoesen, J.

Timothy Clifford, December 5—Tried before Donohue, J., and Jury. Judgment for plaintiff, by direction, for \$2,607.72.

Alonzo Carr—Tried before Sedgwick, J., and Jury. Verdict for plaintiff for \$317.81. Complaint dismissed as to other cause of action.

John Flynn—Tried before Lawrence, J., and Jury. Complaint dismissed.

James Thompson—Tried before Lawrence, J., and Jury. Verdict for plaintiff.

People, ex rel. Isaac Bernheimer and another, vs. The Comptroller and Clerk of Arrears—Argued before Davis, J.

Wm. C. Conner, Sheriff—Tried before Donohue, J., and Jury—Verdict for plaintiff, by direction, for \$30,616.34.

WM. C. WHITNEY, Counsel to the Corporation.

Statement and Return of Moneys received by ALGERNON S. SULLIVAN, Public Administrator in the City of New York, for the month of December, 1876, rendered to the Comptroller in pursuance of the provisions of Section 3, Part II., Chapter VI., Title VI., Revised Statutes, and Sections 38 and 96 of Chapter 335 of the Laws of 1873, and paid into the City Treasury.

DATE.	ESTATE OF	STORAGE.	COMMISSIONS.	TOTAL AMOUNT.
1876.	Alanson Marsh.		\$274.49	\$274.49

ALGERNON S. SULLIVAN, Public Administrator.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

WEDNESDAY, December 27, 1876.

The Board of Education held an adjourned meeting on Wednesday afternoon, December 27, at 4 o'clock P. M., at the Hall of the Board, corner of Grand and Elm streets.

Present—Commissioners Baker, Beardslee, Dowd, Fuller, Goulding, Halstead, Hazeltine, Kelly, Mathewson, Place, Schell, Traud, Watson, West, Wetmore, and Wilkins—16.

Absent—Wm. Wood, Esq., President, and Commissioners Kane, Klamroth, Vermilye, and Walker—5.

Commissioner Halsted was chosen President pro tem.

The minutes of the session of December 20 were approved.

On motion of Commissioner Hazeltine, Commissioner Walker was excused for absence.

The President pro tem. laid before the Board communications from Trustees of the Wards, as follows:

From the Fourth Ward, nominating a music teacher in the Evening School. Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

From the Twenty-third Ward, asking for pay of one month's service of a Janitor. Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

The President pro tem. laid before the Board the following communications:

From the Angell & Blake Manufacturing Co., relative to heating apparatus, etc. Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

From Ira M. Clapp, asking for appointment in the Truancy Department. Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From J. W. Phelps, Brattleboro, Vt., relative to a new School Reader. Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

From Potter, Ainsworth & Co., asking that Bartholomew's Manual of Drawing, etc., be added to the list of Supplies. Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

Reports were presented from the Standing Committee as follows:

By Commissioner Place, from the Committee on Nomination of Trustees, recommending Max Herzog and E. Ellery Anderson for Trustee of the Twenty-first Ward, in place of Commissioner Bernard Cohen, and Adam T. Sackett, Trustee, resigned. Adopted.

By Commissioner West, from the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications, recommending several bills of 1870 and 1872 for payment. Adopted.

By Commissioner Traud, from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, recommending an appropriation to repair apparatus in Grammar School No. 35. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Also, relative to radiators in Grammar School No. 34. Referred to the Finance Committee.

By Commissioner Beardslee, from the Committee on Supplies, relative to record books, etc., for Trustees. Adopted.

Also, relative to supplies of charts and other apparatus to the schools. Adopted.

Commissioner Dowd presented reports from the Finance Committee as follows:

To pay Watchman at Grammar School No. 36. Adopted.

To pay National School Furniture Company \$1,330.05. Adopted.

To pay \$36.21, for plumbing in Grammar School No. 45. Adopted.

To pay for room occupied by Janitor of Grammar School No. 12. Adopted.

To appropriate \$100.00, for repairing heating apparatus, Grammar School No. 35. Adopted.

To appropriate \$200, for radiators in Grammar School Building No. 34. Adopted.

Commissioner Wilkins presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, authorizing the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward to hire premises corner of Avenue A and One Hundred and Eighteenth street, for a new Primary School. Adopted.

Commissioner Baker offered a resolution relative to the registration of candidates for teachers positions, etc. Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Commissioner Hazeltine offered a resolution tendering the thanks of the Board to the Clerk for the efficient discharge of his duties during the past year. Adopted.

Commissioner Baker offered a resolution complimentary to John Davenport, the Auditor. Adopted.

Commissioner Fuller made an appropriate address to the Board, on retiring from his seat as a member of the Board.

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN, Clerk.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT, NO. 301 MOTT STREET, NEW YORK, December 26, 1876.

The Board of Health met this day.

228 orders for the abatement of nuisances were made.

The Attorney was directed to commence suits for penalties for non-compliance with the orders of the Board in 45 cases, and for violation of the Sanitary Code in 1 case.

Reports Received.

From the Sanitary Superintendent: On the operations of the Sanitary Bureau; on contagious diseases; on slaughter-houses; on applications for permits; on work performed by the Disinfecting Corps.

Reports from Riverside Hospital: On non-inflammable scenery; on suspension of certain orders; on application for relief from certain orders.

From the Deputy Register of Records: Weekly mortuary statement; weekly letter on mortality; weekly abstract of marriages, births, and still-births; weekly report of deaths from diphtheria, scarlatina, membranous croup, and malarial and cerebro-spinal fevers; on work performed by clerks in Bureau of Vital Statistics; on violation of the Sanitary Code.

Communications referred to other Departments for the necessary action.

To the Department of Buildings—

Method of James Simpson, Jr., of rendering wood, paper, etc., inflammable.

On dangerous condition of wall of building 754 Third avenue.

On inflammable scenery.

On safety of theatres and public places.

To Police Department—

Complaint of J. Marshall respecting neglect of garbage and ashes collectors in Fifth street, between Second and Third avenues.

To the Health Officer of the Port—

On neglect of bark "Tuck Sing" to procure bill of health at Amoy.

Communications from other Departments.

From the Police Department: In respect to dangerous condition of kerosene oil works corner Bank and West streets.

Permits Granted.

To render lard and manufacture sausages at 1333 Third avenue.

To render lard at 266 Seventh avenue.

To keep six chickens at 145 East Forty-first street.

Permit Denied.

To keep cows at south side One Hundred and Forty-fifth street, between Willis and Brook avenues.

Communications Received.

From James Simpson, Jr., submitting plan of rendering wood, paper, etc., inflammable.

From Charles Kinkel, respecting the safety of persons in theatres, public places, etc.

From United States Consul at Amoy, in respect to British bark "Tuck Sing."

From Jonathan Marshall, regarding the non-collection of ashes, garbage, etc., from Fifth street, between Second and Third avenues.

From John A. Foley, in respect to orders on 429 and 441 East Thirteenth street.

From Dr. W. C. Glazier, application for appointment.

From Philip Schaefer, asking for copies of weekly births, marriages, and deaths of German persons recorded in the Bureau of Vital Statistics.

From Arthur Von Studwitz, inclosing circular respecting the condition of the working classes in the United States.

From Dr. John C. Jay, Jr., in respect to the use of straw on the floors of street cars.

Resolutions.

Resolved, That the pay-rolls of this Department for the month of December, 1876, when approved by the Finance Committee, shall be duly signed by the President and Secretary and forwarded to the Comptroller for payment.

Resolved, That the minutes of the joint meeting of this Department with the Mayor, the Fire Commissioners, the Superintendent of Buildings, and the Police Commissioners, in relation to the prevention of accidents in theatres, be entered in the minutes of this Board, and the opinion of William C. Whitney, Esq., Counsel to the Corporation, be placed on file.

Resolved, That in view of the proceedings above referred to, further action of the Department is at present unnecessary.

Resolved, That a copy of the report of Sanitary Inspector Hamilton on non-inflammable scenery be forwarded to the Department of Buildings.

Resolved, That the Attorney be and is hereby authorized and directed to commence an action against J. Symington for a violation of the Sanitary Code.

Resolved, That permits be and are hereby granted, as follows:

To render lard and manufacture sausages at No. 1333 Third avenue.

To render lard and manufacture sausages at No. 266 Seventh avenue.

To keep six chickens at 145 East Forty-first street.

Resolved, That permit be and is hereby denied as follows:

To keep cows at south side One Hundred and Forty-fifth street, between Willis and Brook avenues.

Resolved, That the application of Sophia A. Dixon for relief from orders 5684, 5685, and 5686, Form 2, C. S., be and is hereby denied and the orders be enforced.

Sanitary Bureau.

The following is a record of the work performed in the Sanitary Bureau for the week ending December 16, 1876: The total number of inspections made by the Sanitary and Assistant Sanitary Inspectors was 1,186, as follows, viz.: 19 public buildings, 719 tenement-houses, 50 private dwellings, 14 other dwellings, 8 manufactorys and workshops, 7 stores and warehouses, 39 stables, 1 market, 53 slaughter-houses, 4 fat-rendering establishments, 4 manure dumps, 1 distillery, 8 sunken and vacant lots, 51 yards, courts, and areas, 58 cellars and basements, 180 waste-pipes and drains, 95 privies and water-closets, 21 street, gutters, and sidewalks, 4 dangerous stairways, 3 dangerous chimneys, 12 other nuisances, together with 5 visits of the Inspectors to cases of contagious disease.

The number of reports thereon received from the Inspectors was 424.

During the past week 42 complaints were received from citizens, and referred to the Sanitary and Assistant Sanitary Inspectors for investigation and report.

Permits were issued to the consignees of 23 vessels to discharge cargoes, on vouchers from the Health Officer of the Port.

29 permits were granted scavengers to empty, clean, and disinfect privy-sinks.

The Disinfecting Corps have visited 47 dwellings where contagious diseases were found, and have disinfected and fumigated 30 houses, 30 privy-sinks, together with clothing, bedding, etc.

The following is a comparative statement of cases of contagious disease reported at this Bureau for the two weeks ending December 16, 1876:

Week Ending	Typhus Fever.	Typhoid Fever.	Scarlet Fever.	Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis.	Measles.	Diphtheria.	Small-pox.

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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, December 30, 1876.Licenses granted and amount received for
licenses and fines by Marshal John Tyler Kelly,
for week ending December 30, 1876:Licenses..... 100
Amount..... \$269 25JNO. TYLER KELLY,
First Marshal.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

STATEMENT OF THE HOURS DURING WHICH
all the Public Offices in the City are open for business,
and at which each Court regularly opens and adjourns, as well as of the places where such offices are kept and such Courts are held.EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.
Mayor's Office, No. 6, City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.
Mayor's Marshal, No. 7, City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.
Permit Bureau, No. 1, City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.
License Bureau, No. 1, City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.
Board of Aldermen and Supervisors, No. 9, City Hall,
office hours from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Clerk of the Common Council and of Board of Supervisors, No. 8, City Hall, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.FINANCE DEPARTMENT.
NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE, OFFICE HOURS 9 A. M. TO 4 P. M.
Comptroller's Office, second floor, west end.

1. Bureau for the collection of the revenue accruing from rents and interest on bonds and mortgages, and revenue arising from the use or sale of property belonging to or managed by the City, first floor, west end.

2. Bureau for the Collection of Taxes; Brown stone building, City Hall Park.

3. Bureau for the Collection of Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and Water Rents, first floor, west end.

4. Auditing Bureau, second floor, west end.

5. Bureau of Licenses, first floor, west end.

6. Bureau of Markets, first floor, west end.

7. Bureau for the reception of all moneys paid into the Treasury in the City, and for the payment of money on warrants drawn by the Comptroller and countersigned by the Mayor, at the Office of Chamberlain and County Treasurer, second floor, west end.

8. Bureau for the Collection of Assessments, Rotunda, south side.

LAW DEPARTMENT.
Counsel to the Corporation, Staats Zeitung Building, third floor, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Public Administrator, 115 and 117 Nassau street, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Corporation Attorney, 115 and 117 Nassau street, 8 1/2 A. M. to 4 1/2 P. M.
Attorney for the Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes, No. 51 Chamberlain street, second floor.
Attorney to the Department of Buildings, 2 Fourth avenue, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.POLICE DEPARTMENT.
NO. 300 MULBERRY STREET, ALWAYS OPEN.
Commissioners' Office, second floor.
Superintendent's Office, first floor.
Inspectors' Office, first floor.
Chief Clerk's Office, second floor, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Property Clerk, first floor (rear) " " "
Bureau of Street Cleaning, Avenue C, from Sixteenth to Seventeenth street, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Bureau of Elections second floor (rear), 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.
CITY HALL, 9 A. M. TO 4 P. M.
Commissioner's Office, No. 19.
Chief Clerk's Office, No. 20.
Contract Clerk's Office, No. 21.
Engineer in charge of Sewers, No. 21.
" " Boulevards and Avenues, No. 18 1/2.
Bureau of Repairs and Supplies, No. 18.
" Lamps and Gas, No. 13.
" Incumbrances, No. 13.
" Street Improvements, No. 11.
" Chief Engineer, Croton Aqueduct, No. 11 1/2.
" Water Register, No. 10.
" Water Purveyor, No. 4.
" Streets and Roads, No. 13.DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.
Commissioners' Office, No. 66 Third Avenue, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Our Door Poor Department, No. 66 Third Avenue, always open, entrance on Eleventh street.
Reception Hospital, Ninety-ninth street and Tenth avenue, always open.
Bellevue Hospital, foot of Twenty-sixth street, East river, always open.FIRE DEPARTMENT.
NOS. 153, 155 AND 157 MERCER ST., 9 A. M. TO 4 P. M.
Commissioners' Office. Chief of Department.
Inspectors of Combustibles. Fire Marshal.HEALTH DEPARTMENT.
NO. 301 MOTT STREET.
Commissioners' Office, second floor, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Attorney's Office, third floor, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Sanitary Superintendent, always open, third floor.
Register of Records, third floor, for granting burial permits, on all days of the week, except Sunday, from 7 A. M. to 6 P. M., and on Sundays, from 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS
Commissioners' Office, 36 Union Square, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.
Commissioners' Office, 117 and 119 Duane street, A. M. to 4 P. M.DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.
Commissioners' Office, Brown-stone building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. on Saturday, 9 A. M. to 3 P. M.
Surveyor's Bureau, 19 Chatham street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Board of Assessors, " "DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.
Superintendent's Office, 2 Fourth Avenue, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.BOARD OF EXCISE.
Commissioners' Office, first floor, 299 Mulberry street, A. M. to 4 P. M.BOARD OF EDUCATION.
CORNER GRAND AND ELM STREETS.
Office of the Board, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Superintendent of Schools, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS.
Commissioners' Office, 27 Chambers street, second floor, front office.

COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY COURT-HOUSE.

Office, Room B, third floor, northeast corner County Court-house.

THE CITY RECORD.

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

MISCELLANEOUS OFFICES.

HOURS 9 A. M. TO 4 P. M.

Coroners' Office, 40 East Houston street, second floor
Sheriff's Office, first floor, southwest corner of New County Court-house.

County Clerk's Office, first floor, northeast corner of New County Court-house.

Surrogate's Office, first floor, southeast corner of New County Court-house.

Register's Office, Hall of Records, City Hall Park.

District Attorney's Office, second floor, Brown-stone building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

COMMISSIONER OF JURORS.

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

COURTS.

SUPREME COURT.

General Term, Special Term, Chambers, Circuit Part I, Circuit Part II, Circuit Part III, second floor, New County Court-house, 10 1/2 A. M. to 3 P. M.

SUPERIOR COURT.

General Term, Trial Term Part I, Trial Term Part II, third floor, New County Court-house, 11 A. M.
Clerk's Office. Third floor, New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

COMMON PLEAS.

General Term, Equity Term, Trial Term Part I, Trial Term Part II, Third floor, New County Court-house, 11 A. M.
Clerk's office, third floor, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

MARINE COURT.

General Term, Trial Term Part I, room 15, old City Hall; Trial Term Part II, Trial Term Part III, third floor, 27 Chambers street; Special Term, Chambers, second floor, 27 Chambers street, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.
Clerk's Office, basement, Brown-stone building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

GENERAL SESSIONS.

Brown-stone building, City Hall Park, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Clerk's Office, Brown-stone building, City Hall Park, second floor, room 14, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

OVERTERMINER.

General Term, New County Court-house, second floor, southeast corner, room 11, 10:30 A. M.
Clerk's Office, Brown-stone building, City Hall Park, second floor, northwest corner.

SPECIAL SESSIONS.

At Tombs, corner Franklin and Centre streets, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, 10 A. M.
Clerk's Office, Tombs.

THE CITY RECORD.

COPIES OF THE CITY RECORD CAN BE OBTAINED AT NO. 2 CITY HALL, northwest corner basement. Price three cents each.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE,
NO. 300 MULBERRY STREET, ROOM 39,
NEW YORK, December 26, 1876.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY CLERK, Police Department, City of New York, 300 Mulberry street, Room 39, for the following property, now in his custody, without claimants:

Boat, six revolvers, silver watch, tea, chocolate, dress goods, fancy goods, male and female clothing, robes, blankets, coffee, and small amount of money taken from prisoners.

C. A. ST. JOHN,
Property Clerk.POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
300 MULBERRY STREET,
December 21, 1876.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AT the Central Department of Police, until 10 o'clock A. M., of Friday, January 5, 1877, at which time and place proposals will be publicly opened and read, for printing, binding, and furnishing to the Board of Police, five thousand copies of the "Manual" of Rules and Regulations for the government of the Police Department and Force of the City of New York.

Proposals will state a price for each printed page of one copy, and a price for the binding of each copy.

Proposals must be addressed to the President of the Board of Police, be indorsed "Proposals for furnishing "Manual," and must contain the name and address of the parties making the same.

Two responsible sureties, freeholders in this city, will be required with each proposal, who must justify in the sum of three thousand dollars each.

By order of the Board,

S. C. HAWLEY,
Chief Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICES.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FOLLOWING ASSESSMENT LISTS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS, FROM THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS, FOR—

No. 1. Belgian pavement in One Hundred and Fifth street, between Eighth avenue and the Grand Boulevard.

No. 2. Belgian pavement in One Hundred and Twelfth street, from Third avenue to Harlem river.

No. 3. Receiving-basin on southeast corner of One Hundred and Eighth street and Fifth avenue.

No. 4. Belgian pavement in Ninetieth street, from Third to Fifth avenue.

No. 5. Receiving-basin on southwest corner of Fifty-fourth street and Eleventh avenue.

No. 6. Belgian pavement in One Hundred and Eighteenth street, between Third avenue and Harlem river.

No. 7. Belgian pavement in Seventy-fifth street, between First and Third avenues.

No. 8. Setting curb and gutter stones and flagging sidewalks full width on east side of West street and Tenth avenue, from Gansevoort to Little West Twelfth street.

No. 9. Flagging Marion avenue (Fordham), in the Twenty-fourth Ward, from Kingsbridge to Ridge street, where not already done.

OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS, NO. 19 CHATHAM STREET, NEW YORK, Jan. 2, 1877.

JOHN R. MUMFORD,
Secretary.

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

No. 1. Sewer in Avenue A, between Eighty-ninth and Ninety-second streets, with branches.

No. 2. Alteration on sewer in Centre street, between Pearl and Canal streets.

No. 3. Two receiving-basins (one each) on the northeast and southeast corners of One Hundred and Sixteenth street and Sixth avenue.

No. 4. Receiving-basins (one each) at the southeast corner of Forty-first street and Seventh avenue, southwest corner of Forty-fifth street and Broadway, and northwest corner of Fifty-third street and Sixth avenue.

No. 5. Superstructure (Telford-Macadam roadway) of Manhattan street, from the westerly line of Avenue St. Nicholas to the southerly line of One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street.

No. 6. Paving with Telford-macadamized pavement, setting curb and gutter stones, and laying flagging four feet in width in One Hundred and Forty-fifth street, from the Seventh avenue to the Boulevard.

No. 7. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging Sixty-ninth street, from Third avenue to the East river.

No. 8. Paving Thirty-sixth street, from the Eleventh avenue to the North river, with Belgian pavement.

No. 9. Paving Fortieth street, between First and Second avenues, with Belgian pavement.

No. 10. Paving Eighty-second street, from Second to Third avenue, with Belgian pavement.

No. 11. Setting curb and gutter stones and flagging in Bloomfield street, from West street to Thirteenth avenue.

No. 12. Setting curb and gutter stones and flagging One Hundred and Sixteenth street, from Seventh to Eighth avenue.

No. 13. Setting curb and gutter stones and flagging Seventeenth street, from Lexington to Madison avenue.

No. 14. Laying crosswalks at each of the intersections of Madison avenue with One Hundred and Twentieth, One Hundred and Twenty-first, One Hundred and Twenty-second, One Hundred and Twenty-third, One Hundred and Twenty-fourth, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth, One Hundred and Twenty-seventh, One Hundred and Twenty-eighth, One Hundred and Twenty-ninth, One Hundred and Thirtieth, One Hundred and Thirty-first, and One Hundred and Thirty-second streets.

No. 2. Property bounded by Pearl and Canal streets, Broadway and Baxter street.

No. 3. Blocks bounded by One Hundred and Fifteenth and One Hundred and Seventeenth streets, Fifth and Sixth avenues.

No. 4. South side of Forty-first street, between Broadway and Seventh avenue, and west side of Broadway, between Fortieth and Forty-first streets; west side of Seventh avenue, between Forty-fourth and Forty-fifth streets; north side of Fifty-third street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues.

No. 5. Both sides of Manhattan street from the westerly line of Avenue St. Nicholas to the southerly line of One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets and avenues.

No. 6. Both sides of One Hundred and Forty-fifth street, from Seventh avenue to the Boulevard, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 7. Both sides of Sixty-ninth street, from Third avenue to the East river.

No. 8. Both sides of Thirty-sixth street, from the Eleventh avenue to the North river, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 9. Both sides of Fortieth street, between First and Second avenues, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 10. Both sides of Eighty-second street, between Second and Third avenues, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 11. Both sides of Bloomfield street, between West street and Thirteenth avenue.

No. 12. Both sides of One Hundred and Sixteenth street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues.

No. 13. Both sides of Seventeenth street, from Lexington to Madison avenue.

No. 14. Both sides of Madison avenue, from One Hundred and Twenty-sixth to One Hundred and Thirty-second street, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 15. Both sides of Fourth avenue, between Sixty-fourth and Sixty-sixth streets, and both sides of Sixty-fifth street, extending to one-half the block on either side of Fourth avenue.

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

THOMAS B. ASTEN,
JOHN MULLALY,
EDWARD NORTH,
WILLIAM L. WILEY,
Board of AssessorsOFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS,
NEW YORK, December 30, 1876.

SUPREME COURT.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Works, for and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street, from the easterly line of Kingsbridge road to the westerly line of Tenth avenue, in the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BILL OF the costs, charges, and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, in the New Court-house, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the sixteenth day of January, 1877, at 10 1/2 o'clock in the forenoon.

E. Z. LAURENCE,
F. H. CHURCHILL,
GEO. H. SWORDS,
Commissioners.

Dated New York, December 27, 1876.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST.,
NEW YORK, December 29, 1876.

PROPOSALS FOR DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, ETC.

PROPOSALS, SEALED AND INDORSED AS above, will be received by the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, at their office, until 9 o'clock A.M., of Saturday, the 13th day of January, 1877, at which time they will be publicly opened and read by the head of said Department, for furnishing and delivering, at the foot of East Twenty-sixth street, free of all expense to the Department:

DRY GOODS.

1,000 pair Dark Blankets.
500 pair White Blankets.
10,000 yds. U. G. Cambric.
60,000 yds. Brown Muslin.
3,000 yds. Bleached Muslin.
3,000 yds. Bleached Shroud Muslin.
10,000 yds. Ticking.
5,000 yds. Awning Stripes.
5,000 yds. Stripes.
5,000 yds. Brown Denims.
5,000 yds. Blue Denims.
5,000 yds. Cottons.
5,000 yds. Canton Flannel.
5,000 yds. Linen Drills.
20,000 yds. Brown Bandage Muslin.
3,000 yds. Russia Cloth.
1,000 lbs. Knitting Cotton.
500 gross Metal Suspender Buttons.
500 gross A-22 White Bone Buttons.
100 gross Coat Buttons.

GROCERIES.

75,000 lbs. Hard Soap.
15,000 lbs. Oolong Tea.
6,000 lbs. "A" Coffee Sugar.
5,000 lbs. Granulated Sugar.
5,000 lbs. Crushed Sugar.
20,000 lbs. x Coffee.
20,000 lbs. Rice.
2,500 lbs. Whole Pepper.
1,200 lbs. Macaroni.
5,000 lbs. Pearl Barley.
3,000 lbs. Wheaten Grits.
500 lbs. Hecker's Farina.
2,000 lbs. Chicory.
1,000 lbs. Laundry Starch.
600 lbs. Corn Starch.
1,000 lbs. Prepared Cocoa.
100 bbls. Hominy "A" No. 1.
100 bbls. Soda Crackers. Bbls. to be returned.
100 bbls. Oatmeal. Bbls. to be returned.
500 bush. Beans.
500 bush. Rye.
2,000 gals. Molasses. Hhds. to be returned.
10,000 lbs. Tobacco.
300 sacks Salt, equal to Worthington's.
400 quintals Codfish, George's Bank, best quality, to be delivered in quantities as required.
500 bales Long Bright Rye Straw, to be delivered in quantities as required.

The quality of the goods furnished must conform in every respect to the samples of the above to be seen at this office.

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

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

The Department of Public Charities and Correction reserves the right to decline any and all proposals if deemed to be for the public interest, and to accept an offer for the whole bid or for any single article included in the proposal, and no proposal will be accepted from, or a contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is defaulter, as security or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

Blank forms of proposals and specifications, which are to be strictly complied with, can be obtained on application at the office of the Department, and all information furnished.

THOMAS S. BRENNAN,
ISAAC H. BAILEY,
TOWNSEND COX,
Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST.,
NEW YORK, December 21, 1876.

PROPOSALS FOR 3,600 TONS OF COAL FOR THE OUT-DOOR POOR.

PROPOSALS, SEALED AND INDORSED AS above, will be received by the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, at their office, until 10 o'clock A.M., of Thursday, January 4, 1877, at which time they will be publicly opened and read, by the head of said Department, for furnishing and delivering, free of all expense, 3,600 tons White Ash Stove Coal, of the best quality. Each ton to consist of 2,000 pounds, to be well screened, and delivered in such quantities, after the 4th day of January, 1877, and in such parts of the city as may be required in specifications and ordered from time to time, in the following districts, viz.:

From Battery to Fortieth street, 2,000 tons.

From Fortieth street to Bridge, or Twelfth, Nineteenth, and Twenty-second Wards, 1,500 tons.

Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, 100 tons.

To be subject to such inspection as the Commissioners may direct, and meet their approval as to the quality, quantity, time, and manner of delivery in every respect.

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

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

The Department of Public Charities and Correction reserves the right to decline any and all proposals if deemed to be for the public interest, and to accept an offer for the whole bid or for any single article included in the proposal, and no proposal will be accepted from, or a contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is defaulter, as security or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

Blank forms of proposals and specifications, which are to be strictly complied with, can be obtained on application at the office of the Department, and all information furnished.

THOMAS S. BRENNAN,
ISAAC H. BAILEY,
TOWNSEND COX,
Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST.,
NEW YORK, December 28, 1876.

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

At Almshouse, Blackwell's Island, December 26, 1876—John Lynch; age 76 years. Nothing known of his friends or relatives.

At Hart's Island Hospital, December 27, 1876—Mary O'Brien; 5 feet 4 inches high. Had on when admitted, blue striped shawl, white chemise. Nothing known of her friends or relatives.

At New York City Asylum for Insane, Ward's Island, December 27, 1876—Thomas Gargan; age 25 years; 5 feet 5 inches high; brown hair; blue eyes. Nothing known of his friends or relatives.

At Charity Hospital, Blackwell's Island, December 26, 1876—John Nash; age 62 years; 5 feet 7 inches high; blue eyes; gray hair. Had on when admitted, blue coat, dark green striped vest, blue overalls, white cotton shirt. Nothing known of his friends or relatives.

Thomas Marquis; age 35 years; 5 feet 6 inches high; dark eyes; black hair mixed with gray. Had on when admitted, black cloth coat, brown vest, black cotton pants, white shirt, garter shoes, black felt hat. Nothing known of his friends or relatives.

By Order,

JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT PUBLIC WORKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 19, CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, December 28, 1876.

PROPOSALS FOR COAL.

PROPOSALS, INCLOSED IN A SEALED ENVELOPE, indorsed as above, with the name of the bidder, will be received at this office, until Thursday, January 11, 1877, at 12 o'clock P.M., at which hour they will be publicly opened and read, for furnishing, delivering, and stowing away at the following public buildings, offices, and courts of the City of New York, Coal of the quality and quantities hereinafter mentioned.

600 gross tons of Lehigh Broken Coal, for New Court House.

30 gross tons of Lehigh Stove Coal, for New Court House.

50 gross tons of Lehigh Nut Size Coal, for City Hall.

65 gross tons of Lehigh Range Size Coal, for City Hall.

30 gross tons of English Cannel Coal, for City Hall.

90 gross tons of Lehigh Furnace Size Coal, for Brown Stone Building.

30 gross tons of Lehigh Stove Size Coal, for Brown Stone Building.

20 gross tons of Lehigh Nut Size Coal, for Brown Stone Building.

65 gross tons of Lehigh Furnace Size Coal, for Fifty-seventh Street Court House.

20 gross tons of Lehigh Stove Size Coal, for Fifty-seventh Street Court House.

150 gross tons of Lehigh Stove Size.

60 gross tons of Lehigh Egg Size.

50 gross tons of Lehigh Furnace Size.

20 gross tons of Lehigh Nut Size Anthracite Coal, and 5 gross tons of English Cannel Coal.

To be supplied to the following public offices as shall be required and directed: The office of the Public Administrator, Corporation Attorney, Board of Assessors, Marine Court, No. 27 Chambers street, Court of Special Sessions at the Tombs, office of the Department of Buildings, and also all the various Civil and Police Courts south of Fifty-ninth street.

The Anthracite Coal must be of the best quality; Lehigh clean and in good order, 2,240 pounds to the ton, free from dust, slate, and other foreign substances, and to be delivered in such quantities, and stowed away in such places as herein provided for, and at such times during the year 1877, as may be directed by the Superintendent of Re-pairs and Supplies.

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

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

ALLAN CAMPBELL,
Commissioner of Public Works.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS WILL meet every Wednesday, at 1 o'clock P.M.

WM. H. McCARTHY,
JACOB HESS,
HENRY D. PURROY,

Committee on Public Works

F. J. TWOMEY,
Clerk

THE COMMITTEE ON FERRIES AND DOCK Department will meet every Wednesday, at 2 o'clock P.M., in Room No. 9, City Hall.

MAGNUS GROSS,

MICHAEL TUOMEY,

WILLIAM WADE,

Committee on Ferries and Dock Department.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY,
Clerk

THE COMMITTEE ON STREET PAVEMENTS will meet every Tuesday, at 2 o'clock P.M., in Room No. 9, City Hall.

JOHN W. GUNTZER,

WILLIAM H. McCARTHY,

JOSEPH C. PINCKNEY,

Committee on Street Pavements

F. J. TWOMEY,
Clerk

THE COMMITTEE ON ARTS AND SCIENCES will meet every Friday, at 2 o'clock P.M., in Room No. 9, City Hall.

MAGNUS GROSS,

MICHAEL TUOMEY,

JOHN J. MORRIS,

Committee on Arts and Sciences

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY,
Clerk

THE COMMITTEE ON SALARIES AND OFFICES will meet every Tuesday, at 3 o'clock P.M., in Room No. 9, City Hall.

WILLIAM L. COLE,

THOMAS SHEILS,

JOSEPH C. PINCKNEY,

Committee on Salaries and Offices

F. J. TWOMEY,
Clerk

THE COMMITTEE ON COUNTY AFFAIRS WILL meet every Monday, at 1 o'clock P.M., in Room No. 9, City Hall.

PETER SEERY,

PATRICK KEENAN,

J. W. GUNTZER,

O. P. C. BILLINGS,

HENRY E. HOWLAND,

Committee on County Affairs

P. J. TWOMEY,
Clerk

ARMORY COMMISSION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO CLAIMANTS for compensation under the provisions of chapter 429, Laws of 1876, entitled "An act to provide for payment for the use and occupation of armories and drill-rooms in the City of New York," that the Commission constituted by said act, and consisting of the Mayor of the City of New York, the Comptroller of the City of New York, and one Commissioner of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, previously designated by the Comptroller under the provisions of the act, the same being George H. Andrews, Esq., met at the Comptroller's Office on Thursday, June 8, 1876, at 3 o'clock P.M., and organized by the election of the Mayor as Chairman.

According to the terms of the act, "claimants may be heard before the Commission upon ten days' notice to the Department of Finance."

ELIOT McCORMICK,
Secretary pro tem.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

PROPOSALS FOR \$233,483 BONDS OF THE MAYOR, ALDERMEN, AND COMMONALTY OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AT the Comptroller's Office, until Tuesday, January 9, 1877, at 2 o'clock P.M., when the same will be publicly opened, for the whole or any part of the sum of \$233,483 Bonds of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, as authorized by chapter 429, Laws of 1876, entitled "An act to provide for payment for the use and occupation of Armories and Drill-rooms in the City of New York," passed May 26, 1876.

Said Bonds will bear interest at the rate of five per cent per annum, payable on the first day of May and November in each year, and the principal will be redeemable three years from the date thereof.

The proposals will state the amount of Bonds desired, and the price per one hundred dollars thereof; and the persons whose proposals are accepted will thereupon be required to deposit with the Chamberlain the sums awarded to them respectively, together with any premiums thereon.

On presenting to the Comptroller the receipts of the Chamberlain for such deposit, the parties will be entitled to receive certificates for equal amounts of the par value of the sums awarded to them, bearing interest from the dates of payment.

Each proposal should be sealed and indorsed "Proposals for Bonds of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York," and inclosed in a second envelope addressed to the Comptroller.

The right is reserved on the part of the Comptroller to reject any or all of the bids, if in his judgment the interests of the Corporation require it.

CITY OF NEW YORK,
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
December 27, 1876.

JOHN KELLY,
Comptroller.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
ROTUNDA, NEW COURT-HOUSE,
NEW YORK, December 22, 1876.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED DECEMBER 1, 1876.

Underground drains, between One Hundred and Seventy-third and One Hundred and Eighty-third streets, and between Kingsbridge road and Harlem river.

Thirteenth avenue, regulating, grading, etc., between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth streets.

Thirty-sixth street, regulating, grading, etc., between Eleventh and Twelfth avenues.

Fiftieth street, curb, gutter, and