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POLICE DEPARTMENT.

At a meeting of the Board of Police of the Police Department of the City of New York, held on the 17th day of April, 1874. Present—Messrs. Gardner, President, Duryee and Russell, Commissioners.

The minutes of April 14, were read and approved.

Leave of absence was Granted to

Roundsman Samuel Coon, 12th precinct, 2 days.

	Precinct.	Without Days
Patrolmen.		
James Buckley,	34	3
John Valient,	28	1
Thomas E. Willard,	28	1
Joseph H. Pratt,	18	1/2
John Holland,	24	1/2
Thomas Duffy,	17	1/2
Thomas J. McCarthy,	18	1/2
Thomas O'Grady,	8	3
Thomas Suckley,	5	1
Michael R. Murphy,	25	1/2
Thos. H. Hughes,	10	1
James McCabe,	16	1

Notices of intended parade, stating time, object and route, were referred to the Superintendent with power, as follows:

Cheruskia Lodge No. 185, I. O. O. F., April 17—funeral.

Eureka Lodge No. 243, F. & A. M., April 15—funeral.

St. Vincent Ferrers Temperance Society, April 17—funeral.

Proposition was received from Duke & Moore to make necessary alterations in the 15th precinct station house, for \$640, and ordered on file; and on motion of Commissioner Duryee, it was

Resolved, That the proposition of Duke & Moore be accepted, and the alterations in the 15th precinct station house be made under the direction of the Committee on Station Houses. All voting aye.

The following bills were referred to the Treasurer for payment:

Jacob Webb..... \$20 62
Wm. B. Lowery..... 6 50

Communication from Daniel Cooney, patrolman 17th precinct, asking promotion, was ordered on file.

On motion of Commissioner Russell, it was

Resolved, That Margaret Conway, widow of Francis Conway, late patrolman 11th precinct, be placed on the pension roll of the Police Life Insurance Fund, and that she be paid a pension of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) per year from the date of the death of said Francis Conway, January 7, 1874. All the Commissioners present voting aye.

Communication from Capt. Killilea, 22d precinct, reporting the closing of policy shops, viz: 37 West 59th street; 768 Ninth avenue, and 787 Ninth avenue, was ordered on file.

Communication from Capt. Kennedy, 6th precinct, reporting arrest of William Tomblin, lottery policy dealer, at No. 98 Centre street, was ordered on file.

The application of Patrick O'Brien for leave to apply for re-appointment was denied.

On reading and filing communications from Captains Caffry, of the 2d precinct, and Lowery, of the 27th precinct, reporting names of persons who had been notified in pursuance of an order of the Board, dated April 14, 1874, "that persons selling liquor without license from the Board of Excise would be arrested," on motion of Commissioner Gardner, it was

Resolved, That the Superintendent issue a special order to Captains of the 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th and 27th precincts, to arrest persons who are reported by the Board of Excise to have violated the law by selling intoxicating liquor without having license so to do, which report of the Board of Excise was transmitted to the Captains respectively on the 14th day of April, 1874. On such arrests being made the Captains will cause the Commissioners of Excise to be notified to appear at the court when the arrested party is arraigned, and furnish the evidence of the violation of law reported by them.

Application of John Farrell for the return of certain property now in the possession of the Property Clerk, was referred to Counsel for ad-

A communication from C. W. Fuller, agent for P. T. Barnum & Co., requesting the detail of ten patrolmen for special duty at the Hippodrome, April 23, 1874, was, on motion of Commissioner Gardner, referred to the Superintendent, with direction to detail the following number of patrolmen for the special duty named, viz: Sanitary Co., 4; 26th precinct, 4; 16th precinct, 1, and 29th precinct, 1, all to be placed

under the command of Captain McCullough, of the 29th precinct.

A communication from J. C. Pinckney, Clerk of the Common Council of the city of New York, transmitting a copy of the ordinance passed April 16, 1874, relating to goats, was ordered on file, and on motion of Commissioner Russell, it was

Resolved, That the Superintendent be directed to promulgate the same to the force by General Order.

Communications from the Captains of Precincts, reporting the names of owners of goats running at large, were referred to the Board of Health.

Report of the Board of Examining Surgeons and Medical Director, upon the examination of candidates, was ordered on file.

On reading and filing a communication from James Crowley, Superintendent of Telegraph charging George A. Lambrecht Telegraph operator with incompetency and non-performance of duty, on motion of Commissioner Duryee, it was

Resolved, That the services of George A. Lambrecht, Telegraph operator, be dispensed with. All voting aye.

On motion of Commissioner Gardner, it was

Resolved, That Joseph H. Petty, be appointed Telegraph operator at a salary of \$800 per year, and assigned for duty at the Central Telegraph office. All voting aye.

Commissioner Duryee, from the Committee on shields, reported progress

On motion of Commissioner Duryee, it was

Resolved, That when the Board adjourn it adjourn to meet on Tuesday, 20th inst, at 11 o'clock A. M.

The President reported the following transfers:

Roundsmen.	From Precinct.	To Precinct.
Daniel J. Cronin,	13	San Co.
Robert J. Wallace,	4	29
Henry W. Forbush,	29	4
Patrolmen.		
James P. Geraghty,	23	2
Thos. F. Schaefer,	17	31
Cornelius O'Brien,	7	15
Michael Malone,	20	15

Street Cleaning.

Proposition was received from Robert C. Brown, to clean all paved and macadamized streets in the 12th 23d and 24th wards and to remove all ashes and garbage therefrom, for the sum of two thousand dollars per month, and on motion of Commissioner Duryee, it was

Resolved, That the proposition of Robert C. Brown be accepted, and the Chief Clerk be directed to prepare proper specifications for forming the contract. All voting aye.

Daily reports (4) of the Superintendent of Posts, were referred to the Treasurers' book-keeper.

A communication from the Health Department requesting that ash and garbage carts be covered with canvas, was referred to the Committee on Street Cleaning.

Communication from the Health Department transmitting report of Sanitary Inspector Viele, on condition of East 66th street between 1st and 3d avenues, and also report of Sanitary Inspector W. A. Ewing on condition of West 52d street between 10th and 11th avenues, were referred to the Inspector of Street Cleaning, and on motion of Commissioner Gardner, it was

Resolved, That a copy of the report of Sanitary Inspector Viele on condition of East 66th street, be transmitted to the Commissioner of Public Works.

Two communications from Inspector Thorne, requesting the sale of "old iron" and also of "ten unseizable horses" in the stables of the Bureau of Street Cleaning, were referred to the Committee on Street Cleaning, and on motion of Commissioner Russell, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Street Cleaning be authorized to dispose of the "old iron" and the horses referred to at public auction.

A communication from Captain Petty, 5th precinct reporting the arrest of Francisco Boget, for throwing rubbish into the street, was referred to the Board of Health.

On reading and filing a communication from the Department of Docks, relating to the petition of R. E. Allen & Company, for contractors to use a part of the dumping board at the foot of Laight street North River, on motion of Commissioner Gardner, it was

Resolved, That this Board deem the privilege to private parties of using the dumping board, foot of Laight street North River, incompatible with its use for public business.

A communication from the Department of Docks relating to the repairs necessary to the dumping board foot of East 38th street East River, was ordered on file.

Communications from the Captains of precincts reporting the condition of Streets in their respective precincts, were referred to the Inspector of Street Cleaning.

Adjourned.

S. C. HAWLEY
Chief Clerk.

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AB'M DISBECKER,
Supervisor.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

REPORT FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDING MARCH 31, 1874.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
CITY OF NEW YORK, April 21, 1874.

To the Hon. Wm. F. Havemeyer, Mayor:

SIR: The Department of Public Parks in pursuance of Sec. 27, Chap. 335, laws of 1873, hereby makes the following report of its operations and actions for the three months ending March 31, 1874.

The estimates for construction works during the year 1874, amounting to one million (\$1,000,000) dollars, were approved.

The preliminary study of the Gap-Bridge on Central Park, was approved and adopted.

The sub-lease of High Bridge Hotel, from N. A. Lespinasse to Charles Schedler, was approved.

Requisition was made on the Comptroller for one hundred and fifty thousand (\$150,000) dollars, for works of construction under the authority of Chap. 756, Laws 1873.

Messrs. Bancroft and Yetter were paid the sum of seven hundred and fifty (750) dollars, in full discharge of all claims which they have against the Department, by reason of the use of their patent monitor sprinklers.

The pay of John Beckett, messenger, was increased fifty cents per day from January 1, 1874.

The lately annexed portion of Westchester County was divided into the following working divisions, viz:

1st. Kingsbridge Division, comprising the late town of Kingsbridge.

2d. West Farms Division No. 1, comprising that portion of the late town of West Farms west of the New York, Harlem and Albany Railroad.

3d. West Farms Division No. 2, comprising that portion of the late town of West Farms east of the New York, Harlem and Albany Railroad.

4th. Morrisania Division, being the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York.

The proceedings for acquiring title to lands required for the Parade Ground were ordered to be discontinued.

It was decided to replace ten brick urinals on Central Park by similar structures made of iron.

The age of applicants for positions in the police force was limited to between twenty-five and forty years.

The President was requested to prepare the report of this Department for the eighteen months ending December 31, 1873.

The President of the National Academy of Design, the President New York Chapter American Institute of Architects, and the President Metropolitan Museum of Art, having been appointed to decide upon the artistic merits of statues to be placed in the Central Park, notified the Board that they accepted the appointment.

An improved plan of Riverside Park and Riverside avenue was approved, and the Legislature was petitioned to adopt the same.

The sum of fifteen thousand (\$15,000) dollars, which was granted for the Metropolitan Museum of Art, by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, was appropriated to that institution.

Commissioners Stebbins and Williamson, in conjunction with the landscape architect, were appointed a committee to report whether it is advisable to locate a public park in the lately annexed district.

On the application of the Board, the Common Council authorized the prosecution of the following works by day's work:

All the mason and brick work of the "outset" arch.

A wooden bridge across "The Pond."

The pavilion on Mt. Morris Square

A fence and trellis work around a portion of Riverside Park.

Repairs to Third avenue bridge.

An application from the Fire Department to locate a magazine or depot for the storage of explosives on one of the city parks was, after mature consideration, denied.

Alderman J. Van Schaick placed a pair of elks on the Central Park for exhibition.

The rates of pay of employees engaged in the 23d and 24th wards were adjusted as follows:

Laborers..... \$1 75 per day.

Carts..... 3 00 per day.

Teams..... 5 00 per day.

Arrangements were made to have the Third Avenue Bridge repaired, and contracts were prepared and ready for execution by Mr. Charles MacDonald, who was the lowest responsible bidder for the work when that gentleman withdrew his bid and refused to take the contract.

By that time the other parties who had made proposals for the work had entered into other engagements which prevented them from undertaking the work during the winter.

The President was authorized to direct the work of completing the boat house on Central Park lake to be proceeded with.

The question of furnishing Central and other parks with music during the present year, was referred to Commissioner Stebbins with power.

License was granted to Isaac Hall, to move his baths at the Battery during the season of 1874, for \$750.

One thousand revised maps of the Central

Park were directed to be printed at a cost not exceeding \$450.

Appointments.

Mary Francis Hyatt, ladies' maid.

E. C. Morrison, Superintendent in charge of the 23d and 24th wards at \$1,000 per annum.

John Forsyth, foreman Kingsbridge division at \$1,000 per annum.

Joseph Harrison, foreman, West Farms division No. 1, at \$1,000 per annum.

Chas. Bathgate, foreman West Farms, division No. 2, at \$1,000 per annum.

BUREAU OF VIOLATIONS, UNSAFE BUILDINGS AND COMPLAINTS.

Abstract of operations for the week ending April 18, 1874:

Complaints received from outside sources.....	6
Violations of the law reported.....	16
Violations of the law removed.....	10
Unsafe buildings reported.....	54
Unsafe buildings made safe.....	28
Unsafe buildings taken down.....	1
Surveys held on unsafe buildings.....	0
Violation cases sent to Attorney for prosecution.....	0
Unsafe building cases sent to Attorney for prosecution.....	0
Violation notices served.....	25
Unsafe building notices served.....	94
Buildings surveyed as to general condition.....	1149
Total.....	54

ANDREW OWENS,
Chief of Bureau.

BUREAU OF IRON WORK.

Abstract of operations for the week ending April 18, 1874:

Buildings reported for fire-escapes.....	58
Fire-escapes provided.....	35
Arch girders tested (5 approved and 1 not).....	6
Iron beams tested (all approved).....	18
Iron lintels tested.....	0

Notices for Fire Escapes served.....	82
Cases sent to Attorney for prosecution.....	2

THOMAS S. GAYTON,
Chief of Bureau.

BUREAU OF THEATRES, HOTELS, SCHOOL-HOUSES, CHURCHES, FACTORIES AND SPECIAL SURVEYS.

Abstract of operations during the week ending April 18, 1874:

THEATRES.

The Bowery, Theatre Comique, 5th avenue, Tivoli, Stadt, Terrace Garden, Grand Opera house, Bryant's, Academy of Music, Germania, Park, Union Square, Fox's Broadway, Booth's, Olympic, Niblo's, Steinway Hall, Metropolitan, Berry's Opera-house, and J. Robinson Hall have each been officially visited, and no infraction of section 29, of the building law, noted in either.

HOTELS.

The following named hotels, boarding and lodging houses have been carefully and thoroughly inspected as to the means and appliances therein severally provided for safety, egress and protection against fire, viz: Buhr's Hotel, Emigrant House, Weniz House, Regan House, Barnum's Hotel, Grand Central, Metropolitan, Liberty House, St. John Hotel, Lafayette Hall, St. Charles, Hotel Espanoe, Basset & Stokes Hotel, 4th street hotel, Park Hotel, Central Hotel, boarding and lodging houses No. 18 Catherine slip, No. 385 Water street, No. 2 West 39th street, and No. 434 5th avenue, and where found to require additional fire safeguards the parties in interest were notified to provide the same.

FACTORIES.

Forty-seven factories and buildings used for manufacturing purposes have also been thoroughly inspected as to the means and appliances therein severally provided for the protection, egress or escape of their employees and operatives in the event of fire and in all cases where reported to be insufficiently provided for in this respect the owners or parties in interest have been notified to forthwith provide such additional safeguards as were deemed requisite, and recommended by the Inspectors charged with the duty of such examinations.

Seven hotel and factory cases in which in compliance with the law additional fire safeguards have been provided have been retired, and proceedings thereunder discontinued, and one case, in which the owners have failed to comply, has been placed in the hands of the Attorney.

CHAS. K. HYDE,
Chief of Bureau.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT,
NEW YORK, April 21, 1874.

The Board of Health met this day.

Orders.

498 orders for the abatement of nuisances.

Suits for Penalties.

The attorney was directed to commence suits for non-compliance with the orders of the Board in 75 cases, and for violations of the Code in 7 cases.

Reports Received.

From the Sanitary Superintendent: Weekly report on operations of the Sanitary Bureau.

Weekly report on contagious diseases.

Weekly report on slaughter houses.

Weekly report of operations of at dock for reception of offal, etc.

Report on application for permits.

Report on street pavements, etc.

Report on want of drainage in Elton avenue.

Report on public school No. 21.

Report on condition of premises No. 510 and 518 E. 18th street.

Report on dangerous condition of building No. 133 7th avenue.

Report on cancellation of orders.

Report on suspension of orders.

Report on enforcement of orders.
Report on extension of orders.
Report on application for leave of absence.
Report on Reception Hospital at Bellevue.

From the Register of Records:

Weekly mortuary report.

Weekly letter on mortality.

Communications from City Departments.

From the Police Department:

Weekly report of the Sanitary Company of Police.

List of owners of goats running at large.

Report of arrests for violations of the Sanitary Code.

From the Department of Parks:

On drainage in the upper wards of the city.

Bills Audited.

Francis Swift, removing night soil for week ending April 11, 1874..... \$634 62

Francis Swift, removing offal, &c., for week ending April 11, 1874..... 288 46

George Boucsein..... 400 11

John Conway..... 18 00

N. Y. Gaslight Co..... 11 27

A. Liantard..... 59 00

Robert Danfield..... 30 00

Permits Granted.

To slaughter cattle at southeast corner 167th street and 3d avenue.

To slaughter cattle at west side Washington avenue, 3 houses north of 164th street.

To keep chickens at 148 Attorney street.

To keep 8 chickens at 122 Ridge street.

To maintain a shooting gallery at 63d street and 1st avenue.

Permits Denied.

To keep 6 chickens at 29½ Division street.

To keep 2 chickens at 251 Stanton street.

Communications Received.

From Samuel H. Hall:

In respect to "The Sailors' Home."

From H. C. Waeldin:

On relief from order on premises No. 255 William street.

From A. Du Berceau, M. D.:

Application for appointment.

Reports Referred to Other Departments for the Necessary Action.

To the Department of Public Works:

On condition of certain street pavements, etc., as follows:

Street pavement in Roosevelt street between New Bowery and New Bowery.

Street pavement at southwest corner 7th avenue and 19th street.

Street pavement in Duane street, between Rose and William streets.

Street pavement in New Chambers street, between William and Pearl streets.

Street pavement in Frankfort street.

Street pavement at southeast corner Greene and Bleecker streets.

Street pavement in Oak street, New Chambers to Oliver streets.

Street pavement in Madison street, between New Bowery and New Chambers streets.

Street pavement in Vandewater street.

Street pavement opposite 234 W. 36th street.

Street crossing at southeast corner Nassau and Spruce streets.

Vacant lots between Boulevard and 10th avenue, and 107th and 108th streets.

Sewer opposite 133 and 135 E. 43d street.

To the Department of Public Instruction:

On condition of public school building No. 21.

To the Department of Parks:

On want of drainage in Elton avenue, between 161st and 162d streets.

To the Police Department:

On filthy condition of premises, No. 510 to 518 E. 18th street.

To the Department of Buildings:

On dangerous condition of building No. 133 7th avenue.

To Commissioners of Charities and Correction:

On Reception Hospital, Bellevue.

Resolutions.

That a copy of the report of Assistant Sanitary Inspector Hamilton, on the dangerous condition of building No. 133 7th avenue, be forwarded to the Department of Buildings, with the request that this Board be informed of the action taken.

That a copy of the report of the Sanitary Superintendent, upon the Reception Hospital at Bellevue, be forwarded to the Commissioners of Charities and Correction, with the respectful request that the evil stated therein be remedied.

That the Attorney and Sanitary Superintendent be directed to prepare and present to the Board at its next meeting an ordinance on cattle driving.

That the case of Dr. Uhling be referred to the attorney for consideration and report.

Leave of Absence.

To C. Y. Hammond granted.

SANITARY BUREAU.

The following is a record of the work performed in the Sanitary Bureau for the week ending April 18, 1874:

The total number of inspections made by the sanitary and assistant sanitary inspectors was 2506, as follows, viz.:

Public buildings..... 5

Tenement houses..... 118

Private dwellings..... 295

Other dwellings..... 163

Manufactories and workshops..... 25

Stores and warehouses..... 47

Stables..... 67

Slaughter houses..... 57

Manure dumps..... 3

Dumping grounds..... 3

Breweries.....	2
Gut-cleaning establishments.....	2
Fat-rendering establishments.....	10
Public sewers and drains.....	3
Sunken and vacant lots.....	42
Yards, courts and areas.....	94
Cellars and basements.....	75
Waste pipes and drains.....	130
Privies and water closets.....	164
Streets, sidewalks and gutters.....	93
Dangerous stairways.....	15
Cisterns and cesspools.....	6
Other nuisances.....	24

Together with 23 visits of the sanitary inspectors to cases of contagious diseases.

The number of reports thereon received from the inspectors was 849.

During the past week 70 complaints were received from citizens, and referred to the sanitary and assistant sanitary inspectors for investigation and report.

The disinfecting corps have visited 65 premises where contagious diseases were found, and have disinfected and fumigated 64 houses, 64 privy sinks, together with clothing, bedding, &c.

18 cases of small-pox were removed to the hospital by the ambulance corps.

Permits were granted to consignees of 85 vessels to discharge cargoes on vouchers from the health officer of this port.

180 permits have been granted to scavengers to empty, clean and disinfect privy sinks.

The following number of cases of contagious diseases were reported for the week ending April 18, 1874: scarlet fever, 56; cerebro spinal meningitis, —; measles, 58; diphtheria, 63; small-pox, 19.

539 loads of night soil were removed by the night scavengers from the privy vaults of the city.

The amount of meat and fish condemned by the officers as unfit for human food during the week ending April 18, 1874, as follows:

Cattle, carcasses.....	3
Calves (bols).....	208
Calves, carcasses.....	9
Sheep, carcasses.....	40
Beef, pounds.....	75
Veal.....	40
Mutton	

It cannot be disputed that this provision as to the application of the tax upon intoxicating liquors is mandatory, and it would seem clear that the provision of the first section must, therefore, be construed in the same manner, because, of course, such tax could not be applied in the manner directed by the second section unless the provisions of the first section were carried into effect.

The provisions of the third section are also mandatory. This section declares that the Commissioners shall make all needful rules and regulations for the government of said asylum, and shall provide for the proper support and maintenance of the inmates thereof, and that they shall have full power and authority to regulate and control the inmates of said asylum.

There are other provisions in the act which are also clearly mandatory, and I have no doubt, taking the whole act together, that it must be regarded as mandatory in its character. Moreover, the words "authorized and empowered" when used in statutes, are not always permission merely. Indeed, no general rule can be laid down by which it can always be determined whether they are mandatory or permissive. And such determination must depend upon the manner in which they are used, and upon the character and object of the statute in which they are found. The question of the proper construction of these and other similar words and phrases used in statutes has been frequently considered by the courts. The word "may" is frequently construed by the courts to mean "shall," and the words "authorized and empowered" are sometimes construed as though the words employed were "authorized and directed."

In a case decided in the old Supreme Court of this State, where this question was considered, the late Chief Justice Nelson said the inference deducible from the various cases on this subject seems to be, that where a public body or officer has been clothed by statute with power to do an act which concerns the public interest, or the rights of third persons, the execution of the power may be insisted on as a duty, though the phraseology of the statute be permissive merely, and not peremptory.

(The Mayor, &c., of the City of New York v. Furze, 3 Hills Reports, page 615.)

It seems to me that the views expressed by the learned judge in that, cover the question submitted by you. The Commissioners of Charities and Correction, by the act referred to, were invested with certain powers which concerned the public interest, and also the right of third persons, and I do not think that they are at liberty to decline to exercise those powers. If the Commissioners are of the opinion that the public interests do not warrant the maintenance of the Asylum, I would respectfully recommend that application be made to the Legislature to repeal the law.

I am, sir, yours, very respectfully,
E. DELAFIELD SMITH,
Counsel to the Corporation.

Resolutions.

By Commissioner Bowen:

Resolved, That the Warden of the Penitentiary be instructed to carry into effect such orders, whether written or verbal, that the Supervising Engineer may give in respect to the alteration and repair of the Launch, now in progress of alteration at the Penitentiary.

Approved. April 11, 1874.

By Commissioner Laimbeer:

Resolved, That Warden Liscomb be directed to inform this Board at once, how many tables he has made and sent to his house, also how many are under way, by whom the materials are furnished, by whom the labor is performed, by whose order the work is being done, and it is further ordered that specimens of the work be sent to this office on Monday, 13th of April, 1874.

Adopted by the Board, April 11, 1874.

By Commissioner Bowen:

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the District Visitors to personally visit, at least once in each month, the children apprenticed by the Superintendent of Out-door Poor, resident in their respective districts, and report in writing on their condition, to the Superintendent, and that such reports shall be laid before this Board on the 1st of the following month.

Approved. April 11, 1874.

From Penitentiary.

Removing John Doyle, prisoner, to small-pox hospital.

Vaccinating Prisoners.

Wm. M. Tweed refusing to be vaccinated.

By Commissioner Stern:

Resolved, That this Board proceed in a body this morning to the Penitentiary, and take definite measures in reply to this communication.

Approved.

Charity Hospital—Meeting of the Board.

Present—Commissioners Laimbeer, Bowen, Stern.

The following resolution offered by Commissioner Stern was unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That no inmate of the Penitentiary, if taken sick from this hour, should be taken to the Penitentiary Hospital for treatment; but should be removed to a special pavilion under charge of proper keepers, until the Chief of Staff Dr. Macdonald shall report in writing to this Board that all possible danger to patients domiciled to the Penitentiary Hospital shall have passed.

April 11, 1874.

By Commissioner Bowen:

Resolved, That all supplies for the sick at the Hospitals of the Department be granted forthwith on receipt of requisition.

Approved by the Board April 11, 1874.

Ordered, That persons visiting the Institutions on Sundays for religious instruction shall procure passes from Commissioners.

Approved by the Board April 9, 1874.

By Commissioner Laimbeer:
Resolved, That Wm. Willet Bowne be appointed Visitor vice Jas. Quackenbush deceased. Adopted by the Board April 8, 1874.

Appointments and Removals.

Hannah Regan appointed Night Nurse at Infant's Hospital to fill vacancy.

April 7, 1874.

Louisa Orr appointed Nurse at Bellevue Hospital to fill vacancy.

April 9, 1874.

Edward Steltzer appointed Attendant to fill vacancy at N. Y. City Asylum for Insane.

April 10, 1874.

WM. LAIMBEER,
J. BOWEN,
MYER STERN,
Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

At meetings of the Board governing this Department, held from the 2d to 11th April, 1874, inclusive, Commissioners Westervelt and Budd present, the following action was had.

Applications for Permits, etc.

April 2—From North Shore Staten Island Ferry Co., to erect ferry building on bulkhead, etc., foot of Whitehall street, E. R. Granted, to be erected upon plans submitted to and approved by this Department.

April 2—From Wm. H. Christie, to extend foot of removal of corrugated iron building on bulkhead, between Perry and 11th streets, N. R. Granted till May 5, 1874, provided his agreement to remove that date is filed in this office.

April 8—From Delaware & Hudson Canal Co., to retain on bulkhead, between 24th and 25th streets, N. R., the engine and tool houses now located thereon. Granted.

April 8—From Wm. Burns, to locate a float for small boats, at the south side of bulkhead foot of 57th street, N. R. Granted.

Repairs, etc., Ordered.

April 2—Superintendent Turner directed to make necessary repairs to dumping board at foot of 38th street, E. R.

April 2—Marietta V. Hull notified to make repairs to that part of pier at 130th street, H. R., as may be located on property owned by her.

April 6—Erie Railway Co., lessors of Pier 8, E. R., notified to make necessary repairs thereto without delay.

April 6—Owner of Pier 28, E. R., notified to place said pier in thorough repair, numerous complaints having been made as to its present unsafe condition.

April 6—Owner of pier foot of 39th street, N. R., notified to make the necessary repairs to said pier without delay.

April 6—Supt. Turner directed to repair the backing piece on pier at foot of 86th street, E. R.

April 6—Supt. Turner directed to extend the pier at foot of 155th street, N. R., a distance of 75 feet, and of a width of 40 feet at the water end, and 47 feet at the inner end.

Miscellaneous.

April 2—The three proposals for furnishing 5,000 piles, which were received and publicly opened on March 26, 1874, rejected as irregular by advice of the Counsel to the Corporation, and the contract for furnishing said material not awarded thereunder.

April 2—The Secretary directed to prepare statement of material, labor and cost of building piers at foot of 11th, 24th, 25th and 51st streets, N. R., and transmit same to the Comptroller as requested by him.

April 2—The Treasurer directed to transmit to the Comptroller, in compliance with his request, the balance sheet of the Department for each month hereafter.

April 2—The Secretary directed to inform Kingman F. Page that evidence must be submitted to this Department of his being a taxpayer, in order to be furnished, as requested, with copies of the proceedings of this Board relative to granting permission for the use of building foot of Vesey street, N. R., for market purposes.

April 6—Counsel to the Corporation directed to discontinue all proceedings taken in compliance with the request of this Board on March 11, 1874, relative to acquiring all the property on the water front, between Morton and Barrow streets, N. R., he having given his written opinion that the title to said property is vested in the city and that this Department is justified in proceeding with its work of erecting a pier on said premises.

April 6—Owners of brick on bulkhead, between Bank and Bethune streets; of lumber on bulkhead, between 12th and Horatio streets, and of stone on bulkhead, between Horatio and Gansevoort streets, N. R., notified to remove said materials within ten days, and that a fine of \$50 per day will be imposed upon them for each and every day thereafter during which said materials shall remain on said bulkheads.

April 6—Superintendent Finley directed to remove to the corporation yard all the sand remaining on the 7th inst. on bulkhead between 11th street and Pier 54 N. R., the owner having been notified to remove same on or before that date.

April 6—Superintendent McConkey directed to notify owner of schooner "Signal," sunk off north side of pier at 37th street, E. R., to remove the wreck from the water front at once.

April 8—Union Ferry Company, lessors of westerly half of Pier 2, E. R., notified that the eating stand thereon must be removed, complaint having been made against it.

EUGENE T. LYNCH,
Secretary.

THE CITY RECORD.

DIRECTORY

OF THE

COMMON COUNCIL.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

1. Samuel B. H. Vance, 206 West 23d street.
2. Oliver P. C. Billings, 143 East 34th street.
3. Jenkins Van Schaick, 1 University place.
4. Stephen V. R. Cooper, 218 West 51st street.
5. John Falconer, 308 East 15th street.
6. George Koch, 638 Lexington avenue.
7. Peter Kehr, 50 Seventh avenue.
8. Robert McCafferty, 85 Lexington avenue.
9. Oswald Ottendorfer, 7 East 17th street.
10. Edward Gilon, 557 Hudson street.
11. Patrick Lysaght, 27 City Hall place.
12. Richard Flanagan, 312 West 22d street.
13. John Reilly, 314 East 14th street.
14. John J. Morris, 117 West 21st street.
15. Joseph A. Monheimer, 233 East 21st street.
16. SAMUEL B. H. VANCE, President.
17. JOSEPH C. PINCKNEY, Clerk, 27 Stuyvesant street.

BOARD ASSISTANT ALDERMEN.

1. Thomas Foley, 18 West street.
2. Jeremiah Murphy, 45 Cherry street.
3. Charles M. Clancy, 191 Mott street.
4. John C. Keating, 333 Cherry street.
5. Henry Wisser, 155 Prince street.
6. Michael Healy, 19 Ridge street.
7. Thos. L. Thornell, 169 West 12th street.
8. John Theiss, 223 Bowery.
9. George F. Codington, 62 Perry street.
10. Joseph P. Strack, 179 Third street.
11. William Kreps, 354 West 27th street.
12. Patrick Keenan, 217 Lewis street.
13. William Wade, 144 West 21st street.
14. John J. Kehoe, 138 First avenue.
15. Edward Brucks, 422 West 30th street.
16. George Kelly, 318 East 20th street.
17. Stephen N. Simonson, 305 West 48th street.
18. Philip Cumisky, 552 First avenue.
19. Henry A. Linden, 68th st., bet. 10th and 11th avs.
20. Isaac Sommers, 165 East 62d street.
21. Benjamin Beyea, 23 East 132d street.
22. JOSEPH P. STRACK, President.
23. W. H. MOLONEY, Clerk.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

ARTS AND SCIENCES.—Assistant Aldermen Cumisky, Murphy, Codington.

DONATIONS.—Assistant Aldermen Sommers, Wisser, Wade.

FERRIES.—Assistant Aldermen Healy, Kehoe, Theiss.

FINANCE.—Assistant Aldermen Clancy, Sommers, Wade.

LAMPS AND GAS.—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Beyea, Brucks.

LAW DEPARTMENT.—Assistant Aldermen Clancy, Keen, Kehoe, Sommers.

MARKETS.—Assistant Aldermen Kelly, Kehoe, Keating, Foley, Beyea.

NATIONAL AFFAIRS.—Assistant Aldermen Theiss, Murphy, Cumisky, Simonson, Codington.

ORDINANCES.—Assistant Aldermen Brucks, Kehoe, Sommers.

PRINTING AND ADVERTISING.—Assistant Aldermen Keating, Kreps, Beyea, Sommers, Theiss.

PUBLIC HEALTH.—Assistant Aldermen Theiss, Wisser, Cumisky.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS.—Assistant Aldermen Keenan, Murphy, Wisser.

PUBLIC WORKS.—Assistant Aldermen Sommers, Keating, Kreps.

RAILROADS.—Assistant Aldermen Healy, Keenan, Linden, Cumisky, Theiss.

ROADS.—Assistant Aldermen Cumisky, Thornell, Brucks.

SALARIES AND OFFICES.—Assistant Aldermen Brucks, Kehoe, Wisser.

SEWERS.—Assistant Aldermen Kelly, Wade, Wisser.

STREETS.—Assistant Aldermen Wisser, Theiss, Linden.

STREET PAVEMENTS.—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Sommers, Simonson.

JOINT COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS.—Assistant Aldermen Sommers, Keenan, Linden.

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. 5, City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.

Permit Bureau, No. 1, City Hall, 10 A. M. to 2 P. M.

License Bureau, No. 1, City Hall, 10 A. M. to 2 P. M.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Clerk of the Common Council and of Board of Aldermen, 7 and 8, City Hall, 9 a. m. to 4 p. m.

Clerk of Board of Assistant Aldermen, 9½ City Hall, a. m. to 4 p. m.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

Clerk of the Comptroller's Office, 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; Ground 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; Ground floor, west end.

STREET OPENINGS.

SUPREME COURT.—IN THE MATTER OF THE application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the Opening and Extending of Desbrosses Street in an Easterly direction from its present termination at Hudson Street, to Varick Street in the City of New York.

We, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants, of all houses and lots and improved or unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

I.—That we have completed our estimate and assessment in the above-entitled matter, and that all persons whose interests are affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to the undersigned Commissioners, at our office, No. 150 Broadway (Room 10), in the said city, on or before the 26th day of May, 1874, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week days next after the said 26th day of May, 1874, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days, at 2 o'clock.

II.—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, in the City and County of New York, there to remain until the 6th day of June, 1874.

III.—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land situated in said City and bounded by and included and contained within the centre lines of the following named streets, that is to say: Beginning at the point formed by the intersection of the centre line of Hudson street with the centre line of Vestry street, and running thence westerly along the centre line of Vestry street to the centre line of West street; thence northerly along the centre line of West street to the centre line of Watts street; thence easterly along the centre line of Watts street to a point where if said Watts street were extended would intersect the centre line of Sullivan street; thence northerly along the centre line of Sullivan street to the centre line of Broom street; thence easterly along the centre line of Broom street to the centre line of Broadway; thence southerly along the centre line of Broadway to a point distant two hundred and forty-five feet, or thereabouts, southerly from the southerly line or side of Grand street; thence westerly along a line drawn parallel or nearly so with Grand street to the centre line of Sullivan street; thence southerly along the centre line of Sullivan street to the centre line of Canal street; thence northwesterly along the centre line of Canal street to the centre line of Vestry street; and thence westerly along the centre line of Vestry street to the point or place of beginning.

IV.—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a special term thereof, to be held in the new Court House at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 22d day of June, 1874, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as Counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

DATED NEW YORK, April 20th, 1874.
EUGENE H. POMEROY,
CLINTON G. COLGATE,
L. L. LAMBERT,
Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

NOTICE TO TAX PAYERS.

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

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

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

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

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

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

NO. 32 CHAMBERS STREET,
NEW YORK, January 5, 1874.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOOKS of Annual Record of the assessments upon the Real and Personal Estate of the City and County of New York, for the year 1874, will be open for inspection and revision, on and after Monday, January 15th, 1874, and will remain open until the 30th day of April, 1874, inclusive, for the correction of errors and the equalization of the assessments of the aforesaid real and personal estate.

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

By order of the Board,
ALBERT STORER,
Secretary

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

POLICE NOTICE.

WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION AT the stables of the Bureau of Street Cleaning, East 24th street, between 2d and 3d avenues, on the 29th of April, inst., at 10 A. M., Ten Horses, Six Railroad Dirt Cars, Twenty sections of Portable Railroad Track, Two broken Wagons, One boat, One lot of old iron. Terms cash.

By order of the Board of Police,
THOMAS W. THORNE, Inspector.

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

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY CLERK 300 Mulberry street, Room 39, for the following property now in his custody without claimants: Two glass chimneys, brooms, two lbs. box dirt, rem lace, lot fancy dresses, segars, and several lots of money.

C. A. ST. JOHN,
Property Clerk.

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

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY CLERK 300 Mulberry street, Room 39, for the following property now in his custody without claimants: Several lots of furniture, revolvers, horse blankets, ten overcoats, straw braid, and also several lots of cash.

C. A. ST. JOHN,
Property Clerk.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
ROTUNDA COURT HOUSE,
NEW YORK, April 15th, 1874.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY HOLDERS

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

CONFIRMED APRIL 9, 1874.

Underground drains between 73d and 81st streets, and between 1st and 5th avenues.

Alteration of sewer in Thomas street, between Church street and West Broadway.

Sewer in Elm street, between Grand and Broome streets.

Sewer in Little West 14th street, between Tenth avenue and Hudson river.

Sewer in 110th street, between 5th and 8th avenues.

Sewer in 5th street, between 40th and 41st streets.

Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter, 120th street, from 3d to 6th avenues.

All payments made on the above assessments on or before the 15th day of June next, will be exempt (according to law) from interest. After that date interest will be charged at the rate of 7 per cent. from the date of confirmation.

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

SPENCER KIRBY,
Collector of Assessments.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY HOLDERS

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

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

DATE OF CONFIRMATION,
February 10, 1874.

Opening and extending of
LEXINGTON AVENUE,
from 100th street to the Harlem river.

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

50th street to Harlem river, and from 3d avenue to 4th avenue.

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

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

ANDREW W. LEGGAT,
Acting Collector.

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

NOTICE TO PROPERTY HOLDERS

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

Confirmed March 19, 1874—50th st., paving, from Lexington to 4th ave.

" " 48th st., paving, from 9th to 10th ave.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

" " 14th st., flagging, No. 331 to No. 347 bet. 1st and 2d ave.

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

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

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

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

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

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

" " 59th st., flagging, from 1st to 2d ave.

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

" " 65th st. and Lexington ave., basin, n. w. corner.

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

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

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

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

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

" " 6th ave., sewer, from 125th to 129th sts.

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

All payments made on the above assessments on or before the 29th day of May next, will be exempt (according to law) from interest. After that date interest will be charged at the rate of 7 per cent. from the date of confirmation.

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

ANDREW W. LEGGAT,
Acting Collector.

INTEREST ON CITY STOCKS.

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

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

ANDREW H. GREEN,
Comptroller.

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

BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
ROTUNDA COURT HOUSE,
NEW YORK, April 21, 1874.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY HOLDERS

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

CONFIRMED APRIL 16, 1874.

Sewer in 10th avenue, between Lawrence and 130th streets.

The limits embraced by said assessments includes the following blocks and ward numbers, viz.:

Block 170, ward numbers 36 to 40, both inclusive.

Block 171, ward numbers 33 to 37, both inclusive.

All payments made on the above assessment on or before the 30th day of June next, will be exempt (according to law) from interest. After that date interest will be charged at the rate of 7 per cent. from the date of confirmation. The Collector's Office is open daily from 9 A. M. to 2 P. M. for the collection of money, and until 4 P. M. for general information.

SPENCER KIRBY,
Collector of Assessments.

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

NOTICE TO PROPERTY HOLDERS

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

CONFIRMED MARCH 26, 1874.

First avenue—Paving from Thirty-sixth to Sixty-first streets.

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

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

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

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

SPENCER KIRBY,
Collector of Assessments.

REAL ESTATE RECORDS.

OFFICIAL

INDEXES OF CONVEYANCES.

IMPORTANT TO

LAWYERS AND DEALERS IN REAL ESTATE,

AND TO

MANAGERS OF BANKS AND INSURANCE COMPANIES.

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

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

The attention of the Managers of Banks and Insurance Companies