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BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK, MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, THURSDAY, December 10, 1896, 11 o'clock A. M.

The Board met in pursuance of a resolution adopted December 3, 1896, fixing date for the consideration of the Final Estimate for the year 1897.

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

The minutes of the meeting held December 3, 1896, were read and approved.

The Comptroller presented the following:

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING, NEW YORK, December 5, 1896, *Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Chairman, Board of Estimate and Apportionment:*

SIR—I have accepted the bid of the Owego Bridge Company, of Owego, N. Y., for preparing for and building a steel pocket dump at the foot of East Seventeenth street, East River, for the use of this Department, and I transmit the bid to you herewith for your Board's final approval of the contract as proposed for in said bid.

Respectfully,
GEO. E. WARING, JR., Commissioner.

CITY OF NEW YORK, FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, December 9, 1896.
Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—Commissioner Waring, of the Street Cleaning Department, in communication to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, December 5, 1896, states that he has accepted the bid of the Owego Bridge Company of Owego, N. Y., for preparing for and building a steel pocket dump at the foot of East Seventeenth street, East river, for the use of his Department, and he transmits the bid for the final approval by the Board of the contract as proposed for in said bid.

The plans and specifications and form of contract for this work were approved by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment by resolution adopted by the Board October 15, 1896. Under this approval, proposals were invited on the said plans and specifications for the execution of the work by the usual advertisement in the CITY RECORD.

Ten bids were received, ranging from the lowest, that of the Owego Bridge Company, \$8,165, to \$12,000.

The bid of the Owego Bridge Company, which the Commissioner transmits, is in due form, and is now presented for the approval of the Board.

I know of no reason why that approval should not be given.

Respectfully,
EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.

And moved that the bid of the Owego Bridge Company of Owego, N. Y., for preparing for and building a steel pocket dump at the foot of East Seventeenth street for the use of the Department of Street Cleaning, be approved.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Acting Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

POLICE DEPARTMENT, NEW YORK, December 2, 1896. *To the Honorable the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:*

GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the Board of Police held this day it was Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and is hereby respectfully requested to transfer the sum of one thousand dollars from the appropriation made to the Police Department for the year 1896, entitled "Compensation of Inspectors, Poll Clerks and Ballot Clerks," which is in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof to the appropriation made to the same Department for the year 1896, entitled "Election Expenses—Contingencies, etc.," which is insufficient to enable this Department to make alterations and repairs to vacant room in Centre Market Building and to transfer certain Election Material from old Fifty-ninth street station-house to said Central Market Building.

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

And offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) be and hereby is transferred from the appropriation made to the Bureau of Election, for the year 1896, entitled "Election Expenses—For Compensation of Inspectors, Poll Clerks and Ballot Clerks," the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes thereof, to the appropriation made to the Bureau of Elections for 1896, entitled "Election Expenses—Contingencies, etc.," the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Acting Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller, to whom was referred a requisition of the Rapid Transit Railroad Commission, dated Nov. 19, 1896, for an appropriation for expenses, offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of section 10 of chapter 4 of the Laws of 1891, as amended by section 7 of chapter 752 of the Laws of 1894, the sum of fourteen thousand two hundred and seventy-eight dollars and thirty-two cents (\$14,278.32) be and hereby is appropriated for the purpose of paying the following items of expense of the Board of Rapid Transit Railroad Commissioners contained in the requisition of said Commissioners, dated November 19, 1896, viz.:

Salary of the Secretary of the Board, from October 31, 1896, to January 31, 1897...	\$624 99
Salary of Messenger, from September 30, 1896, to January 31, 1897.....	240 00
Compensation of the Chief Engineer, from August 1, 1896, to February 1, 1897....	5,000 00
Fees of Counsel of the Board, from August 6 to November 1, 1896.....	2,500 00
Fees of Counsel, from November 1, 1896, to February 1, 1897.....	5,000 00
Rent of offices of the Board, from September 1, 1896, to February 1, 1897.....	833 33
Telephone rental for four months ending January 31, 1897.....	80 00

Total..... \$14,278 32

—and that the unexpended balance of any previous appropriation made by this Board upon the requisition of said Commissioners be applied to the same purpose; and

Resolved, That, for the purpose of providing for the payment of so much thereof as is in excess of said unexpended balance, the Comptroller be and he hereby is authorized and directed to issue and sell Revenue Bonds of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York to an amount not exceeding fourteen thousand two hundred and seventy-eight dollars and thirty-two cents (\$14,278.32), bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three per cent. per annum, and the amount required for the redemption thereof to be included in the Final Estimate for 1897.

Which were adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Acting Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS—NEW YORK, December 7, 1896. *To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:*

GENTLEMEN—I hereby request that the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600) be transferred from the appropriation made to the Department of Buildings for 1896 entitled "Salaries" to the appropriation made to said Department for 1896, entitled "Contingencies and Emergencies," the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

Respectfully,
STEVENSON CONSTABLE, Superintendent of Buildings.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600) be and hereby is transferred from the appropriation made to the Department of Buildings, for the year 1896, entitled "Department of Buildings—Salaries, etc.," the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes thereof, to the appropriation made to the said Department for 1896, entitled "Department of Buildings—Contingencies and Emergencies, etc.," the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Acting Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

OFFICE OF COMMISSIONERS, NEW EAST RIVER BRIDGE, NEW YORK, December 2, 1896.
Hon. ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller, New York City:

DEAR SIR—I have the honor to inclose request for the issuance of bonds for the purposes of the New East River Bridge, amounting to \$12,325 for the City of New York, which request has

been duly approved by the Mayors of the two cities in accordance with the Act establishing this Commission. Will you kindly put this requisition through the usual routine as soon as practicable and oblige,
Yours truly,
F. B. THURBER, Secretary.

Whereas, Chapter 734 of the Laws of 1896 authorizes the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York to convey certain lands to the Commissioners appointed under the provisions of chapter 789 of the Laws of 1895 for the construction of a bridge over the East river, between the cities of New York and Brooklyn; and

Whereas, Section 1 of said act provides as follows: "The Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York are hereby authorized and empowered to sell and convey to the Commissioners appointed under the provisions of chapter seven hundred and eighty-nine of the laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, for a price to be agreed upon by said Commissioners of the Sinking Fund and said Commissioners of the New East River Bridge, the same right, title, interest, privileges and rights of possession in and to the lands under and above water owned by the City of New York, lying between the middle line of Pier number fifty-six and the middle line of Pier number fifty-seven, on the west side of the East river, in said city, including the bulkhead between said piers which the Brooklyn and New York Ferry Company now hold and own, in and to the northerly half of Pier fifty-seven and the southerly half of Pier fifty-eight, and the bulkhead and land under and above water between said piers, which lands or interest therein when so conveyed, the said Commissioners are authorized and empowered to dispose of as hereinafter provided;" and

Whereas, On the 23d day of September, 1896, the said Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York adopted the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund hereby fix the sum of twenty-four thousand six hundred and fifty dollars (\$24,650) as the amount for which they will consent to convey to the Commissioners of the New East River Bridge the rights, interest and title of the City of New York in and to the land under water and above water which they are authorized to convey to the New East River Bridge Commission by chapter 734 of the Laws of 1896, as shown on the map this day submitted to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund and marked by the letters E, F, G, H;" and

Whereas, On the 7th day of October, 1896, the said Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York adopted the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be and is hereby requested to prepare a deed for the conveyance by the City to the Commissioners of the New East River Bridge of the property authorized to be so conveyed by chapter 734 of the Laws of 1896 and in accordance with the terms of a resolution of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund adopted September 23, 1896;" and

Whereas, The sum of twenty-four thousand six hundred and fifty dollars (\$24,650) is now required for the purposes aforesaid;

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the New East River Bridge do hereby request the proper officers of each of the cities of Brooklyn and New York to issue twelve thousand three hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$12,325) of bonds of their respective cities, to dispose of the same and place the proceeds of such bonds with the proper financial officers of said cities, to be drawn out therefrom in payment of said sum of twenty-four thousand six hundred and fifty dollars (\$24,650), purchase money for said property, authorized to be conveyed as aforesaid by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York to the Commissioners of the New East River Bridge upon vouchers duly certified by the President and Treasurer of this Board of Commissioners, in accordance with the act authorizing the same.

Approved.

W. L. STRONG, Mayor of New York City.

Approved.

F. W. WURSTER, Mayor of Brooklyn.

November 24, 1896.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Commissioners of the New East River Bridge at a meeting held November 18, 1896.

F. B. THURBER, Secretary.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, for the purpose of providing for the payment of the expenses to be incurred by the Board of Commissioners of the New East River Bridge, specified in its resolution adopted November 18, 1896, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 789 of the Laws of 1895, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the issue of bonds in the name of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to be known as "Consolidated Stock of the City of New York," as provided by section 132 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, to the amount of twelve thousand three hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$12,325), and the Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to issue the same for such period and bearing such rate of interest conformable to law as he may determine.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Acting Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, December 9, 1896. *To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:*

GENTLEMEN—In order to provide for the necessary payments to contractors engaged in works, the cost of which is borne wholly or in part by assessments, it has become necessary to replenish the Street Improvement Fund by the issue of Assessment Bonds as provided by section 144 of the Consolidation Act.

I therefore submit the following resolution to authorize the issue of such Assessment Bonds by the Comptroller, from time to time, as may be necessary, to an amount not exceeding \$250,000.

Respectfully,
ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he hereby is authorized to issue, from time to time, as may be required, at such a rate of interest not exceeding three per cent. per annum and for such period conformable to law as he may determine, "assessment bonds of the corporation of the City of New York" to an amount not exceeding two hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000), as provided by section 144 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, and Acting Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS, NEW YORK, December 4, 1896.

(Extract from the Minutes.)

To the Board of Education:

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

LAW DEPARTMENT—OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, NEW YORK, November 16, 1896. *Hon. ROBERT MACLAV, President, Board of Education:*

I have transmitted to the Comptroller a certified copy of the report of the Commissioners of Estimate in the matter of acquiring title to certain lands on the southerly side of Carmine street, between Bleecker and Bedford streets, in the Ninth Ward, as a site for school buildings, together with a certified copy of an order of the Supreme Court bearing date the 10th day of November, 1896, and filed and entered on the 12th day of October, 1896, confirming said report.

The aggregate amount of the awards is fifteen thousand and two (\$15,002) dollars, and the costs, charges and expenses of the proceeding other than the fees of expert witnesses were taxed at \$2,491.92.

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

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

Lands on the southerly side of Carmine street, between Bleecker and Bedford streets, in the Ninth Ward (rear of Primary School 13).

Awards, \$15,002; costs, charges and expenses (other than the fees of expert witnesses) \$2,491.92—total, \$17,493.92.

Your Committee therefore recommend for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That, in pursuance of chapter 88 of the Laws of 1895, the Comptroller of the City of New York be and he hereby is requested to issue, with the approval of a majority of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, bonds, for the purpose of providing the funds to meet the expenditures necessary for the acquisition of the lands on the southerly side of Carmine street, between Bleecker and Bedford streets, in the Ninth Ward, as a site for school purposes, under the provisions of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, as amended by chapter 35 of the Laws of 1890, for the payment of the awards, costs, charges and expenses (other than the fees of expert witnesses), confirmed by the Court, in the proceeding therefor, amounting in the aggregate to the sum of seventeen thou-

sand four hundred and ninety-three and 92-100 dollars (\$17,493.92), the same to be paid by the said Comptroller out of the proceeds of said bonds, when issued, requisition therefor being hereby made.

A true copy of report and resolution adopted by the Board of Education on December 2, 1896. ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk of the Board of Education.

And offered the following:
Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 88 of the Laws of 1895, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby approves of the issue of School-house Bonds in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to be known as "Consolidated Stock of the City of New York," as provided by section 132 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, to the amount of seventeen thousand four hundred and ninety-three dollars and ninety-two cents (\$17,493.92); and the Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to issue the same for such period as he may determine, but not longer than twenty-years, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum; the proceeds of which bonds shall be applied to meet the expenditures necessary for the acquisition of the lands on the southerly side of Carmine street, between Bleeker and Bedford streets, in the Ninth Ward, as a site for school purposes, amount for awards being \$15,002, for costs, charges and expenses (other than the fees of expert witnesses) \$2,491.92, as specified in the resolution relating thereto, adopted by the Board of Education December 2, 1896.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Acting Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:
CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, November 24, 1896. Hon. ASHBEEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:
SIR—At a meeting of the Board of Parks, held on the 23d instant, the following preamble and resolution were adopted:

"Whereas, In pursuance of the provisions of chapter 537 of the Laws of 1896, lands have been acquired for the purposes of a public park at the junction of East One Hundred and Ninety-second street, the Kingsbridge road and the Grand Boulevard or Concourse, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, and

"Whereas, This Department is directed to proceed with the construction, improvement and embellishment of said public park, at an expense not exceeding ten thousand dollars, to be raised by revenue bonds, which section 4 of said act authorizes, empowers and directs the Comptroller to issue, and requires that the redemption of said bonds shall be provided for by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment in the Final Estimates for the year 1897.

"Resolved, That the Comptroller be notified of the readiness of this Department to proceed with the construction, improvement and embellishment of said park as soon as advised by him that funds are available for the purpose."

Respectfully, WILLIAM LEARY, Secretary.
CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, December 3, 1896. Hon. ASHBEEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—In the matter of the preambles and resolution adopted by the Board of Parks on the 23d November, 1896, relative to the public parks at the junction of East One Hundred and Ninety-second street, the Kingsbridge road and the Grand Boulevard or Concourse, in which the Comptroller is notified "of the readiness of the Department to proceed with the construction, improvement and embellishment of said park as soon as advised by him that funds are available for the purpose," I report, chapter 537, Laws of 1896, is mandatory throughout, 1st, in the acquisition of the lands which are to become the property of the City on the filing of maps thereof by the Commissioner of Street Improvements, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards; 2d, in section 4, which is as follows:

Sec. 4. "The department of public parks of the city of New York shall have the care and maintenance of said public park, as well as of the streets and avenues immediately adjacent thereto, and shall proceed immediately with the construction, improvement and embellishment of said public park; and said department is hereby authorized and empowered to purchase, remove thereto and erect thereon any and all buildings required for the purposes of said park. The Comptroller of the city of New York is hereby authorized and empowered and directed to issue bonds not to exceed ten thousand dollars for the construction and improvement of said park, the redemption whereof shall be provided for by the board of estimate and apportionment in the final estimates for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven."

The map has been filed in the Register's office in conformity with the law, and the lands of the park are now the property of the City.

The only work done so far by the Department of Parks is the survey of the land preparatory to estimate of the work required, which cannot be carried out until the necessary funds are provided, as defined in the law.

Respectfully, EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.
And offered the following:
Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 537 of the Laws of 1896, the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized and directed to issue Revenue Bonds of the City of New York to the amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), for the purpose of providing means to meet the expenses to be incurred by the Board of Parks, for constructing, improving and embellishing the public park at the junction of East One Hundred and Ninety-second street, the Kingsbridge road and the Grand Boulevard or Concourse, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, as specified in the resolution of said Board adopted November 23, 1896.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Acting Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:
CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, November 17, 1896. To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, City:
GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the Board of Parks, held on the 16th instant, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to authorize an expenditure for the purpose of purchasing mould for the improvement of the territory of Central Park adjoining its boundary walls north of Ninetieth street, as shown on the plan approved on the 9th instant, of the sum of fifteen thousand dollars from the balance remaining of the amount authorized by said Board June 30, 1896, for the completion of inclosing walls, etc., at the entrances to Central Park, under chapter 194 of the Laws of 1896.

I transmit herewith plan referred to in the above resolution.

Respectfully, WILLIAM LEARY, Secretary.
CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, December 3, 1896. Hon. ASHBEEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—The Department of Public Parks, by resolution adopted November 16, 1896, requests the Board of Estimate and Apportionment "to authorize an expenditure for the purpose of purchasing mould for the improvement of the territory of Central Park adjoining its boundary walls north of Ninetieth street, as shown on the plan approved on the 9th inst., of the sum of \$15,000 from the balance remaining of the amount authorized by said Board June 30, 1896, for the completion of inclosing walls, etc., at the entrance to Central Park, under chapter 194 of the Laws of 1896."

The amount authorized by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment June 30, 1896, for the completion of inclosing walls, etc., at the entrances to Central Park was \$90,000. The balance left of that amount is \$40,300.

The estimate, inclosed, of the mould to be provided at the points indicated on the plan submitted by the Department is 10,600 cubic yards, at \$1.35 per cubic yard—\$14,310. As this material, under the law, must be obtained by contract to the lowest bidder the price may be more or less than the estimate.

Chapter 194, Laws of 1896, authorizes the Department of Public Parks to expend an additional sum of not exceeding \$350,000 in improving, "in its discretion," parks, etc., but expenditure only to be made within and upon such parks, etc., as shall be designated by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment; the work to be done by contract.

There appears no reason why the expenditure should not be authorized as requested.

Respectfully, EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS—OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS, ARSENAL BUILDING, SIXTY-FOURTH STREET AND FIFTH AVENUE, December 3, 1896.

Memoranda of the cost of planting the territory immediately adjoining the boundary wall of Central Park, commencing at One Hundredth street and Eighth avenue, and continuing along Eighth avenue to One Hundred and Tenth street, thence along One Hundred and Tenth street to Fifth avenue, and thence along Fifth avenue to Ninetieth street.

Trees and Shrubs—200 trees, at \$1, \$200; 4,000 shrubs, at \$0.20, \$800; 32,000 small shrubs, at \$0.04, \$1,280—\$2,280.

Mould—200 trees, 3 cubic yards per tree, 600 cubic yards; 4,000 shrubs, 1/2 cubic yard each, 2,000 cubic yards; 32,000 shrubs, 1/4 cubic yard each, 8,000 cubic yards—10,600 cubic yards, at \$1.35 per cubic yard, \$14,310.

Excavation—200 trees, 3 cubic yards each, at \$0.60, \$120; 4,000 shrubs, 1/2 cubic yard each, at \$0.20, \$800; 32,000 shrubs, 1/4 cubic yard each, at \$0.08, \$2,560—\$3,480.

Planting—200 trees, at \$0.20, \$40; 4,000 shrubs, at \$0.20, \$800; 32,000 shrubs at \$0.10, \$3,200—\$4,040.

Manure—400 loads, at \$5, \$2,000—\$26,110.

And offered the following:
Resolved, That, pursuant to the request contained in the resolution of the Board of Parks, adopted November 16, 1896, and chapter 194 of the Laws of 1896, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby authorizes said Board of Parks to expend from the balance of the proceeds of bonds authorized to be issued by this Board June 30, 1896, pursuant to said act, for the completion of inclosing walls, etc., at the entrances to Central Park, the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, for the purpose of purchasing mould for the improvement of the territory of Central Park adjoining its boundary walls north of Ninetieth street, which sum is hereby authorized to be transferred for said purpose.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Acting Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:
CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, November 10, 1896. To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, City:
GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the Board of Parks, held on the 9th instant, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to authorize the issue of bonds to the amount of \$6,000, in the manner provided by chapter 194 of the Laws of 1896, to defray the expense of widening the roadway of One Hundred and Fifty-third street, between Seventh avenue and Macomb's Dam road, and improving the sidewalks surrounding the gore of land north of One Hundred and Fifty-third street, between Seventh avenue and Macomb's Dam road.

A plan showing the proposed improvement, as described in the foregoing resolution, is transmitted herewith. Respectfully, WILLIAM LEARY, Secretary.
CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, December 3, 1896. Hon. ASHBEEL P. FITCH, Comptroller:

SIR—The Department of Public Parks, by resolution adopted November 9, 1896, requests the Board of Estimate and Apportionment "to authorize the issue of bonds to the amount of six thousand dollars in the manner provided by chapter 194 of the Laws of 1896, to defray the expense of widening the roadway of One Hundred and Fifty-third street, between Seventh avenue and Macomb's Dam road and improving the sidewalks surrounding the gore of land north of One Hundred and Fifty-third street, between Seventh avenue and Macomb's Dam road."

The map herewith submitted explains the work to be done, in a general way.
The Engineer's estimate of quantities is
1st. 1,600 cubic yards of excavation of all kinds, including earth, rock, stones and all solid material and for the removal and disposition of the same, including the trimming of surface.
2d. 275 cubic yards garden mould, to be furnished and placed in tree plots.
3d. 990 lineal feet six-inch bluestone curb, straight and curved on face, to furnish and set.
4th. 9,000 square feet of walk pavement of asphalt, with concrete base and rubble-stone foundation.

On the above estimate and carefully drawn plans and specifications, proposals were invited by the usual advertisement in the CITY RECORD, and the lowest bid received for the work was \$5,446.35.

The Board asks for \$6,000, which will provide \$553.65 for engineering, inspection and contingencies, which I do not consider too much.

The improvement is quite a necessary one and I think amount asked for should be given.

Respectfully, EUG. E. McLEAN, Engineer.
Chapter 194, Laws of 1896, provides as follows:

Section 1. Department of Public Parks authorized to expend an additional sum of not exceeding \$350,000 in improving, in its discretion, the public parks, etc., that are or may become subject to its jurisdiction.

Sec. 2. The expenditure authorized to be made only within and upon such parks, etc., as shall be designated by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, and by means of contracts made in the manner and subject to the provisions of the law relating to public contracts, and no expenditure to be made in excess of sum which shall be sanctioned and authorized by Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

Sec. 3. For the payment of all expenses under the Act, the Comptroller to issue from time to time, when directed thereto by Board of Estimate and Apportionment, Consolidated Stock.

And offered the following:
Resolved, That, for the purpose of providing means for defraying the expenses to be incurred by the Board of Parks, pursuant to chapter 194 of the Laws of 1896, in widening the roadway of One Hundred and Fifty-third street, between Seventh avenue and Macomb's Dam road, and improving the sidewalks surrounding the gore of land north of One Hundred and Fifty-third street, between Seventh avenue and Macomb's Dam road, as specified in the resolution of said Board adopted November 9, 1896, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby authorizes and directs the Comptroller to issue bonds, in the name of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to be known as "Consolidated Stock of the City of New York," as provided by section 132 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, to an amount not exceeding six thousand dollars (\$6,000), bearing interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum and redeemable in such period as the Comptroller may determine, but not less than twenty years from the date of issue.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments and Acting Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:
HEADQUARTERS TWELFTH REGIMENT INFANTRY, N. G. N. Y., NEW YORK, December 3, 1896. The President of Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—An Assistant Engineer for the Twelfth Regiment Armory was appointed, this appointment dating from November 24, 1896, a position newly created. Information is given me that no money has been appropriated to meet the salary for the position of Assistant Engineer, for the 38 days terminating the year 1896. During the year, the Armory was without an Engineer for forty-one days (May 20 to July 1, 1896). No salary was paid by the City to an Engineer for that time. I respectfully suggest the funds thus undrawn and unused be transferred from the Engineer's salary to that of the Assistant Engineer newly appointed.

Respectfully, MCCOSKRY BUTT, Colonel, Twelfth Regiment Infantry, N. G. N. Y.
Debate was had thereon, whereupon the Comptroller moved that it is the sense of this Board that the transfer of the appropriation as requested could not be legally made.

Adopted.

The Comptroller presented a communication from the St. Zita Home, dated October 13, 1896, requesting an appropriation from the Excise Fund.

Debate was had thereon, whereupon the subject was referred to the Mayor.

The Comptroller offered the following:
Resolved, That the amounts following be and hereby are appropriated from the "Excise Taxes," under the provisions of section 210, chapter 410, Laws of 1882 (New York City Consolidation Act of 1882), and chapter 112 of the Laws of 1896, for the support of children, in the month October, 1896, committed by magistrates to the institutions named, pursuant to law:

NAME.	No. of Children.	No. of Days.	AMOUNT.	NAME.	No. of Children.	No. of Days.	AMOUNT.
Mission of the Immaculate Virgin.....	1,006	30,157	\$8,616 28	American Female Guardian Society and Home for the Friendless.....	180	5,022	\$1,434 86
Missionary Sisters, Third Order of St. Francis.....	906	27,866	7,961 71	Asylum of St. Vincent de Paul.....	103	3,162	903 43
Dominican Convent of Our Lady of the Rosary.....	572	17,650	5,042 86	St. Michael's Home.....	88	2,689	768 28
Asylum Sisters of St. Dominic.....	342	10,427	2,979 14	St. Ann's Home.....	385	11,577	3,307 71
St. Joseph's Asylum.....	804	24,447	6,984 86	Association for Benefiting Children and Young Girls.....	195	5,763	1,646 57
St. Agatha Home for Children.....	295	9,954	2,586 86	St. Elizabeth's Industrial School.....	79	2,361	656 57
St. James Home.....	86	2,594	741 14	Hebrew Infant Asylum of the City of New York.....	34	974	278 28
Association for the Benefit of Colored Orphans.....	179	5,532	1,580 57	Total.....			\$45,489 12

Rate, \$2 per week.
Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, and Acting Counsel to the Corporation—5.

The Mayor announced that in conformity with the provisions of section 189 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, this Board having by resolution, adopted on December 3, 1896, designated this, the 10th day of December, 1896, the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon, and inserted an advertisement in the CITY RECORD to that effect, inviting taxpayers to appear and be heard, such opportunity is now afforded, and those who may so desire will be heard, in regard to the Final Estimate for 1897.

On motion, the Board proceeded to the consideration of the Final Estimate for the year 1897.

The Final Estimates for the Board of Aldermen, Department of Public Parks, Mayoralty and Mayor's Marshal were taken up for consideration.

On motion, the Board adjourned to meet on Monday, December 14, 1896, at 11 o'clock A. M.
E. B. BARKER, Secretary.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK, MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, MONDAY, December 14, 1896, 11 o'clock A. M.
The Board met in pursuance of an adjournment.
Present—William L. Strong, the Mayor; Ashbel P. Fitch, the Comptroller; John Jeroloman, the President of the Board of Aldermen; Edward P. Barker, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments; Francis M. Scott, the Counsel to the Corporation.

The minutes of the meeting held December 10, 1896, were read and approved.

The Comptroller presented the following:
HALL OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, NO. 146 GRAND STREET, NEW YORK, November 27, 1896. Hon. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Chairman, Board of Estimate and Apportionment:
SIR—I beg leave to acknowledge for President Maclay receipt of a communication, of which what follows is a copy:
"Resolved, That the Board of Education be requested to appoint a committee, to meet with the committee to be appointed by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, for the purpose of endeavoring to find suitable accommodations, immediately available, for the Board of Education and its draughtsmen and employees."
—and respectfully to inform you that President Maclay has appointed for the Board of Education the following committee:
Commissioner Joseph J. Little, Chairman; Commissioner Charles L. Holt, Commissioner Edward H. Peaslee.
Respectfully yours,
ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk.

And moved that the Mayor be requested to appoint a committee of three, of whom the Mayor shall be one, for the purpose of meeting with the committee of the Board of Education.
Adopted.
Whereupon the Mayor appointed as such committee the Comptroller and the President of the Board of Aldermen.

The following communication was received:
CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, December 8, 1896. To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:
GENTLEMEN—By direction of the Board of Parks I transmit herewith a report of the Superintendent of Parks in relation to the planting and improvement of West End avenue, together with an estimate of the cost, which has been prepared at the request of the property owners, and is submitted for the consideration of your honorable Board.
Respectfully,
WILLIAM LEARY, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS—OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS, December 4, 1896. Mr. WILLIAM LEARY, Secretary:
SIR—In accordance with the direction of the Board, as contained in yours of December 1, I desire to submit the following report as to the cost of planting and otherwise improving West End avenue:
Cost of excavation, removal of earth and rock of 430 tree holes, 24 by 6 by 4 feet, and filling same with mould, including cost of mould, per tree-hole, \$37..... \$15,910 00
430 trees at \$3 each..... 1,290 00
Planting 430 trees at \$1 each..... 430 00
Maintenance for six months, 6 gardeners, at \$2 per day..... 2,160 00
430 tree-guards at \$1.50 each.... \$645 00
Sod for borders..... 2,500 00
Relaying asphalt and cement walks..... 1,000 00
100 loads of manure at \$5 each... 500 00
Superintendence, engineering, etc. 600 00
Total..... \$25,035 00

It is quite probable that the cost of this improvement would exceed the above amount as it is difficult to estimate the quantities of asphalt and cement walks, it may be necessary to reconstruct.
Respectfully (signed), SAMUEL PARSONS, JR., Superintendent of Parks.
Cyrus Clark, Mr. McDonald and others appeared and made statements in explanation thereof. Debate was had thereon, whereupon the subject was referred back to the Commissioners of Public Parks.

The following communications were received:
From the Health Department.
HEALTH DEPARTMENT, NEW YORK, December 11, 1896. To the Honorable the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, New York City:
GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the Board of Health of the Health Department, held December 8, 1896, the following preamble and resolution were adopted:
Whereas, in the opinion of this Board the number of deaths from contagious diseases would be greatly diminished by a daily medical inspection of the public, parochial and private schools of this city and the medical examination of the children absent from said schools, as set forth in a communication to his Honor, the Mayor, dated November 30, 1896, and in the reports accompanying the same; therefore
Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and is hereby respectfully requested to appropriate for the year 1897 the amount sufficient to employ the necessary number of Medical Inspectors for the daily examination of the public, parochial and private schools of this city and the children absent therefrom, and hereby certifies that the following appropriation to "Salaries—Health Department" is necessary for this purpose:
150 Medical Inspectors at \$30 per month for ten months (\$300 each), \$45,000; 1 Chief Inspector at \$2,500 per annum, \$2,500—\$47,500.
A true copy.
EMMONS CLARK, Secretary.

From the Board of Education—
HALL OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, NEW YORK, December 9, 1896. CHARLES V. ADEE, Esq., Clerk, Board of Estimate and Apportionment:
SIR—I have the honor to transmit herewith certified copy of a report, adopted by the Board of Education this day, relative to the Estimate of School Funds required for the year 1897.
I would respectfully invite your close inspection and perusal of the same, in view of the fact that the Final Estimate will be considered on 16th instant.
Very respectfully,
JACOB W. MACK, Chairman, Finance Committee.
OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS, NEW YORK, December 4, 1896.

(Extract from the Minutes.)
To the Board of Education:
The Finance Committee recommends that the sum of \$75,000, requested to be inserted in the Budget for 1897 by the Special Committee, for the purpose of establishing High Schools (Journal, 1572-1574), be distributed among the various appropriations for 1897 as named in the following resolution:
Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and it is hereby respectfully requested to amend and increase the following items of Estimate of the Board of Education for 1897:
Salaries of Teachers in Grammar, Primary and High Schools, and of Supervisors of Special Branches, from \$3,938,460.80 to \$3,965,460.80..... \$27,000 00
Rent of School Premises and Premises Nos. 160 and 166 Elm street for Annexes to the Hall of Board of Education, from \$63,130 to \$66,130..... 3,000 00
Supplies, Books, Maps, Slates, Stationery, etc., for the use of all the schools, from \$279,616 to \$290,616..... 11,000 00
Repairs to Buildings, from \$199,253 to \$209,253..... 10,000 00
Furniture and repairs of, from \$45,276 to \$54,276..... 9,000 00
The increases herein specified aggregate \$60,000, which, added to the sum of \$15,000, already inserted in the Estimate of the Board of Education, equals the requirements for the purpose designated.
A true copy of report and resolution adopted by the Board of Education on December 2, 1896.
ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk of the Board of Education.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS, NEW YORK, December 4, 1896.
(Extract from the Minutes.)
To the Board of Education:
The Finance Committee respectfully reports that, in order to provide temporary school accommodation early in the year 1897, it will be necessary to request the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to increase the allowance for "Rent, etc.," and in relation thereto, also for "Salaries of Janitors, etc."
Upon investigation, it is found that the following increases should be made:
Rents, etc., \$47,500; Salaries of Janitors, etc., \$8,000.
The following resolution is submitted for adoption:
Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and it is hereby respectfully requested to amend and increase the following items of estimate of the Board of Education for 1897:

"Rent of School Premises and Premises Nos. 160 and 166 Elm street, for Annexes to the Hall of the Board of Education," from \$66,130 to \$113,630.

"Salaries of Janitors in Grammar, Primary and High Schools," from \$274,250 to \$282,250.
A true copy of report and resolution adopted by the Board of Education on December 2, 1896.
ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk of the Board of Education.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS, NEW YORK, December 4, 1896.
(Extract from the Minutes.)

To the Board of Education:
The Finance Committee reports that the sum of \$40,000, set aside for the establishment of a Truant School, cannot be utilized for the purpose this year. The Committee would state that this Board designated old Grammar School No. 62, at One Hundred and Fifty-seventh street and Third avenue, as being the most suitable for the object. This building, some time prior, had been turned over to the Sinking Fund to be sold, so a request was made for a restoration of the property. Pending the probable sale of the premises they had been placed at the disposal of the Department of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, during the erection of permanent quarters for that Department. It is improbable that the premises will be available for the use of the Board until some time during next year. Under the circumstances there is no occasion to further retain the fund before mentioned; therefore, in accordance with the intimation to that effect, contained in the Estimate for 1897, when asking for its renewal, the Committee recommends that the sum of \$40,000 be relinquished in favor of the City Treasury and the reduction of taxation.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption:
Resolved, That the sum of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) of the appropriation for 1896, entitled "Enforcement of the Act, chapter 671, Laws of 1894, entitled 'An Act to Provide for the Compulsory Education of Children,' Salaries of Attendance Officers, and for the Establishment and Maintenance of Schools or Classes, pursuant to section 9 of chapter 671, Laws of 1894," be and the same is hereby relinquished in favor of the City Treasury.

A true copy of report and resolution adopted by the Board of Education December 2, 1896.
ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk of the Board of Education.
OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS, NEW YORK, December 4, 1896.

(Extract from the Minutes.)
To the Board of Education:
The Finance Committee respectfully reports that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment has provisionally appropriated the sum of \$145,000 for 1897 for Corporate Schools. At the time of the consideration of the Provisional Estimate only nominal figures could be submitted owing to the fact that the State Apportionment of school moneys is not completed until much later in the year.

The State Superintendent has recently transmitted the necessary data, enabling the Committee to compute the exact amount necessary to be appropriated for Corporate Schools for the year 1897.

The computation is as follows:
1. An amount equal to the State quota..... \$696,394 71
2. One-twentieth of one per cent. of \$2,106,484,905 being the taxable property of this city, both real and personal..... 1,053,242 45
\$1,749,637 16

Distribution according to law.
Attendance as follows:
Grammar and Primary Schools and Nautical School..... 169,663 \$1,629,604 13
Corporate Schools..... 12,497 120,033 03
182,160 \$1,749,637 16

—or about \$9.604947 per capita.
From the figures submitted, it will be seen that the provisional appropriation for 1897 is in excess of actual requirements, and that it is proper to request the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to decrease said appropriation from \$145,000 to \$120,033.03.

The Committee would respectfully call attention to the fact that the expenditure of money for Corporate Schools is entirely regulated by statute; so far as this Board is concerned, there is no discretion or latitude, it being merely a matter of computation to carry out the lawful requirements.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption:
Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and it is hereby respectfully requested to decrease the amount apportioned in the Provisional Estimate for Corporate Schools for the year 1897, from \$145,000 to \$120,033.03.

A true copy of report and resolution adopted by the Board of Education on December 2, 1896.
ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk of the Board of Education.
OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS, NEW YORK, December 4, 1896.

(Extract from the Minutes.)
To the Board of Education:
The Finance Committee respectfully reports that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment has allowed the sum of \$12,437.66 in the Provisional Estimate for 1897 for public school libraries. A communication has been received from the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, advising this Board that the sum of \$20,438.06 has been apportioned by him to the City of New York, under the provisions of chapter 573 of the Laws of 1892.

The Committee desires to call particular attention to a provision of section 1 of said statute, as follows:
"And no city or school district shall share in the apportionment unless it shall raise and use for the same purpose an equal amount, from taxation or other local sources, and shall also comply with the requirements of the Superintendent as to the care of such libraries and otherwise."

Section 8 of the act also provides:
"The State Superintendent of Public Instruction is hereby authorized to withhold its share of public school moneys from any city or district which uses library moneys for any other purpose than for which they are provided. * * *"

Under the circumstances, the Committee deems it proper to respectfully request the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to increase the appropriation of \$12,437.66 for library purposes, provisionally made, to an amount equal to that allowed by the State, viz.: \$20,438.06.

The following resolution is submitted for adoption:
Resolved, That, in order that the provisions of chapter 573 of the Laws of 1892 may be complied with, and the City receive the benefits accruing under the provisions of said act, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and it is hereby respectfully requested to increase the provisional appropriation for 1897 "For Libraries, per acts of the Legislature," from \$12,437.66 to \$20,438.06, which last-mentioned amount has been apportioned by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to the City of New York for library purposes.

A true copy of report and resolution adopted by Board of Education on December 2, 1896.
ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk of the Board of Education.
Ordered entered at length upon the minutes.

On motion, the Board proceeded to the consideration of the Final Estimate for the year 1897. The Final Estimate for the Police Department and Bureau of Elections were taken up for consideration.

On motion, the Board adjourned to meet on Tuesday, December 15, 1896, at 11 o'clock A. M.
E. P. BARKER, Secretary.

NEW YORK CIVIL SERVICE SUPERVISORY AND EXAMINING BOARDS.

Monthly Report of the Secretary and Extracts from the Minutes of the New York Civil Service Supervisory and Examining Boards, New York, November, 1896.

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS, HELD MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, AT THE MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL.

Present—William L. Strong, Mayor; Chairman Wheeler, Commissioners Watson, Olcott and Cutting.

By request of the Mayor, President Silas C. Croft and Commissioner Faure, of the Department of Public Charities, were present.

The Mayor requested President Croft to state his purpose for desiring to meet the Commissioners of the Civil Service Commission.

President Croft stated that he desired that the Board should consider the change of title of Ward Helper to that of "Hospital Helper." Further, that the Board pass a resolution which would allow the Department of Public Charities to engage Painters, Carpenters, etc., and assign them to do such work as carpentry, painting, etc. Further, that if the Board considered placing a limit to the salary they would make it at a sufficient amount to enable the Department to engage a better class of workmen; that the present limitation (\$150), below which all persons were exempt, did not enable them to employ the proper class of persons to do the work as stated.

The Commissioners of Charities were requested to furnish this Board with full information as to the duties of Attendant and that of Helper, subdividing the duties of Helper into as many classes as they saw fit, and that they should name the minimum salary attached to each class of work in each instance.

The meeting adjourned.

MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS, HELD NOVEMBER 2, 1896.

Commissioner Watson reported that he had interviewed Dr. Thomson, but that Dr. Thomson was unable to accept the position, but recommended Dr. Egbert Le Fevre, as Expert, to prepare and conduct the examination for Medical Chief of Staff.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That Dr. Le Fevre be appointed Expert in the examination for Medical Chief of Staff.

The Secretary stated that several Departments were using the notification slips sent to various candidates as certifications for appointment, and that this had caused a great deal of annoyance, and, therefore, requested that the following resolution be adopted:

Resolved, That in future, all certifications from the eligible lists for appointment shall be stamped with the official seal of the New York City Civil Service Commission, and that no certification for appointment shall be considered official unless so stamped.

The above resolution was duly carried.

The question of pensions was then discussed, Chairman Wheeler stating that both he and Mr. Olcott had thoroughly considered this matter, and it was their opinion that this Board had full authority to pass the resolutions restricting the receiving of applications of persons drawing pensions from the City Government, and therefore saw no reason for the Board rescinding their previous action.

The Secretary was instructed to notify the Mayor to this effect.

The Secretary stated that the Mayor had approved the classification of General Inspector in the Department of Public Charities.

The Secretary was instructed in future, in notifying candidates for examination, that they should be notified in the order of application, and that the previous custom of notifying all veterans should be abolished.

A letter was read from Thomas Sturgis, expressing his thanks to the Board for their resolution adopted expressing their regret at his resignation.

MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS, HELD NOVEMBER 9, 1896.

Commissioner Waring and Deputy Commissioner Gibson, of the Department of Street Cleaning, were present, by invitation of the Board, to discuss the matter of classifying the uniformed force of the Street Cleaning Department under Civil Service regulations.

The Secretary brought up the matter of Trade School examinations.

On motion, duly seconded and carried, it was

Resolved, That the New York Trade School be requested merely to determine the fact of candidates' capability for the trades, and to certify that fact, not rating at all.

Resolved, That regulation 23, section 3, be amended by striking out in subdivision b, "as shown by copying from manuscript."

Resolved, That the positions of Tinsmith, Coppersmith, Pipe Calker, Plasterer, Plumber, Roofer, Ship Carpenter, Ship Calker, Wheelwright, Woodworker, Dockbuilder, Machinist, Machinist's Apprentice, be transferred from Schedule F to G, and that candidates at present on the eligible lists for these positions be placed on the registration list in their present order.

MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS, HELD NOVEMBER 16, 1896.

Commissioners Croft and Faure, of the Department of Public Charities, were present, by invitation of the Board, to discuss the matter of Attendants.

President Croft presented the following plan, intended to obviate the difficulties experienced under the present system.

First—That the positions of Attendant and Ward Helper be abolished, and that the duties formerly included under the head of Attendant be divided into the following positions at the salaries stated.

Inspector (already classified).—Salary from \$40 to \$60 per month. This position to consist of persons who search patients and turn their property over to Property Clerk; of persons in charge of hospitals at night, and of persons who do supervising work of a miscellaneous character, such as superintendence of Workhouse help or gangs.

Inspectors to be examined on character, general intelligence and experience.

Skilled Helper—Salary from \$30 to \$50 per month. This position to consist of skilled laborers such as carpenters, painters, etc.

Hospital Orderly—Salary from \$25 to \$40 per month. Duties to cover general work about the storeroom and hospitals, to assist Steward in carrying things to different wards, and to do miscellaneous work, but not skilled labor.

Hospital Helper—Salary (maximum) \$25 per month. Duties, to carry stretchers and assist Nurses and Doctors when required.

On motion, duly seconded and carried, it was

Resolved, That this Board recommend to the Mayor that the positions of Attendant and Ward Helper be stricken from Schedules A and G respectively.

Resolved, That this Board recommend to the Mayor that the position of Inspector be transferred from Schedule D to F.

Resolved, That this Board recommend to the Mayor that Regulation 33 be stricken out.

Resolved, That this Board recommend to the Mayor that the position of Hospital Orderly (salary \$300 to \$480) be classified in Schedule F of the classification of the Department of Public Charities, and that Hospital Orderly be the first or lower grade, and Inspector (salary \$480 to \$720 per annum) the second or higher, so that there may be promotion from the lower to the higher grade.

Resolved, That this Board recommend to the Mayor that the positions of Skilled Helper and Hospital Helper be classified in Schedule G of the classification of the Department of Public Charities.

Resolved, That in filling requisitions for the position of Skilled Helper the present list for Painter, Carpenter, or whatever the specification may be, shall be first used as far as they will go, before certifying from the general list of Skilled Helper.

Resolved, That all those at present in the employ of the Department of Public Charities as Attendants, and who have not passed an examination by this Board, be certified to this Commission for the positions which they are to hold under the above arrangement, and that an examination be held to determine whether they are capable of filling said positions, before an eligible list is formed from other sources. This resolution to take effect December 1, 1896.

Commissioner Olcott reported favorably upon the request of the Building Department for the classification of Building Inspectors of Masonry and Carpentry, which matter had been referred to him.

Resolved, That this Board recommend to the Mayor that Schedule D, of the classification of positions in the Building Department be amended by adding thereto the positions of Building Inspector of Masonry and Building Inspector of Carpentry.

Resolved, That the Chief Examiner be authorized, in his discretion, to show the questions that have been used in previous examinations.

A letter was submitted from the Department of Public Charities, dated November 14, calling for full complement of names in response to their requisition of August 19, for House Physician. The Secretary was instructed to hold another examination for this position.

A letter, dated November 12, was presented from William Leary, Secretary, Park Department, requesting the classification of the position of Inspector of Pier Building.

Resolved, That this Board recommend to the Mayor that Schedule D, of the classification of positions in the Department of Public Parks, be amended by adding thereto the position of "Inspector of Pier Building."

Resolved, That this Board recommend to the Mayor that Schedule F, of the classification of positions in the Department of Public Works, be amended by adding thereto the position of "Gardener."

The resignation of Dr. Benjamin F. Vosburgh, from the Examining Board, was submitted.

The Secretary reported that the Mayor had approved the recommendation of the Board, transferring the positions of Janitor and Mate from Schedule G to F, and Dock Builder, Machinist, Machinist's Apprentice, Tinsmith, Coppersmith, Pipe Calker, Plasterer, Plumber, Roofer, Ship Carpenter, Ship Calker, Wheelwright, Woodworker, from Schedule F to G.

The Secretary stated that the New York Civil Service Commission had approved the amendment to Regulation 17.

The Chief Examiner reported that he had engaged the services of William B. Bigelow and Edward K. Dunham as Experts in the examinations for Second Deputy Superintendent of Buildings and Assistant Bacteriologist respectively.

The action of the Chief Examiner was approved.

Resolved, that the examination for Second Deputy Superintendent of Buildings be adjourned until further consideration.

MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS, HELD NOVEMBER 24, 1896.

Colonel Cruger, of the Department of Public Parks, appeared before the Board, relative to certain matters in his department.

Colonel Cruger stated that it had always been the custom of the Park Department, in works of construction where there was not enough work to warrant the employment of an Inspector, to assign such work to an Axeman, and the Assistant Engineer was held responsible for the correct performance of the contract. Colonel Cruger said that he had learned that there was some question as to the propriety of such detail, and desired to ascertain the opinion of the Board in the matter.

In reference to the report submitted to the Commission by the Park Department on the fitness and efficiency of the uniformed force, Colonel Cruger stated that the Park Board would shortly take action regarding Class 3, of which action this Board would be duly notified.

Colonel Cruger then retired.

Chairman Wheeler submitted the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Whereas, It appears that in the Department of Public Parks two Axemen have been certified from a list in the examinable schedule of the Civil Service Commission are employed to aid the Engineer in engineering work, and as incidental thereto, and subject to the supervision of the Assistant Engineer, are charged with the duty of ascertaining whether the work is being done according to the direction of the Assistant Engineer, and bills are audited upon the certificate of the Assistant Engineer,

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this Board, there is nothing in such procedure which is inconsistent with Civil Service rules.

The Chairman reported that he had conferred with the Corporation Counsel concerning the classification of the Bureau of Street Openings, and that the Corporation Counsel desired to consult with this Board concerning the proposed classification of positions in said Bureau.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to confer with Mr. Baldwin, Attorney to the Corporation Counsel, with reference to the classification of the Bureau of Street Openings.

Commissioners Watson and Cutting submitted proposed questions for the examination for Civil Service Examiner, which were approved, with corrections.

A letter, dated November 12, was read from the Commissioner of Jurors, requesting to be informed if a Clerk receiving a salary of \$1,000 was in the first or second grade.

The Board instructed the Secretary to inform the Commissioner of Jurors that \$1,000 was the maximum salary for First Grade Clerk, and to increase the compensation of such a Clerk an examination for promotion would be necessary.

The Secretary reported that the Mayor had approved the recommendation of the Board relative to Attendants in the Department of Public Charities and canceling Regulation 33.

The Secretary presented the pay-rolls of the Bureau of Street Openings, stating that the Finance Department desired this Board to take action on same.

The Secretary was instructed to inform the Finance Department that, in the opinion of this Commission, all those persons appointed prior to January 1, 1895, were lawfully appointed and entitled to be paid, but as for the rest the Board would think it proper to consult with the Corporation Counsel before giving further answer.

MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS, HELD NOVEMBER 27, 1896.

Resolved, That this Board authorize that an examination be called for the position of Stenographer and Typewriter, and that a special examination shall be given to determine the applicants' qualifications to take down Court proceedings.

The Secretary submitted the examination papers for the position of Examiner.

Resolved, That the experience papers in the examination for Civil Service Examiner be referred to Commissioners Watson and Cutting, and that the remaining papers be referred to Commissioners Wheeler, Olcott and Schieffelin, for rating.

The Board authorized the Secretary to write to the State Comptroller, requesting him to notify the Board of Electrical Control to forward its pay-roll to this office for verification and approval before sending same to him.

The Secretary stated that in the examination for Instrument Maker there was but one candidate and he withdrew.

On motion, the matter was referred to the Chief Examiner, with power, and he was instructed to confer with President Sheffield and Superintendent J. L. H. Smith, of the Fire Department, relative to the matter, and report to the Board.

The Secretary stated that out of thirteen candidates only one passed in the recent examination for Copyist.

On motion of Commissioner Watson, the questions in this examination were referred to Commissioner Olcott, with the request that he report to the Board whether, in his opinion, they were more severe than necessary.

Resolved, That Commissioner Olcott be requested to interview Dr. Charles A. Leale, of No. 682 Madison avenue, and Dr. Edward D. Fisher, of No. 42 West Forty-fifth street, and ascertain if they would prepare and rate papers in the coming examination for Medical Examiner, Civil Service Examining Board.

The following mental examinations were held during the month of November:

Clerk, City Prison (promotion); Junior Clerk (special); Inspector of Lumber; Inspector, Bureau of License; Uniformed Firemen; Law Clerk; Stationary Engineer; Marine Engineer; Stationary Engineer (special); Lay Sanitary Inspector; Medical Sanitary Inspector; General Inspector (Department of Public Charities); Instrument Maker; Law Copyist; Assistant Examiner; Assistant Bacteriologist; Civil Service Examiner; Orderly (male and female) and Assistant to Commissioner of Taxes.

The above examinations may be divided as follows:

Competitive, 318; non-competitive, 10; promotions, 1—329.

Physical examinations were held during the month for the position of Uniformed Firemen, at which 200 candidates were examined.

The following eligible lists have been prepared during the month:

POSITION.	Number Examined.	Number on List.	POSITION.	Number Examined.	Number on List.
House Physician	3	1	Marine Engineer	8	7
Promotion to Second Grade Clerk, Department of Correction	1	1	Inspector, Bureau of Licenses	26	16
Medical Sanitary Inspector	23	12	Copyist, Law Department	12	1
Lumber Inspector	7	2	Steam Engineer	25	15
Plumbing Inspector	24	15			
Inspector of Iron and Steel	4	3	Total	133	73

Appointments, etc., during the month, were as follows:

Appointments, 38; resignations, 24; dismissals, 11; promotions, 3; deaths, 0.

Labor Bureau.

Applications on file, 10,729; applications received during the month, 103; appointments, 21; reinstatements, 1; dismissals, 2; promotions, 1; examined at Trade School, 0; resignations, 9.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION.

REPORT OF TRANSACTIONS, DECEMBER 7 TO 12, 1896.

Communications Received.

From Penitentiary—List of prisoners received during week ending December 5, 1896: Males, 29; females, 0. On file.

List of 24 prisoners to be discharged from December 13 to 19, 1896. Transmitted to Prison Association.

Report of prisoners confined in dark cells, for violation of rules, during November, 1896. On file.

From Board of Estimate and Apportionment—Stating that final estimates for this Department will be considered on Thursday, December 17, at 11 o'clock A. M. On file.

From City Prison—Amount of fines received during week ending December 5, 1896, \$70. On file.

From Heads of Institutions—Reporting meats, milk, fish, etc., received during week ending December 5, 1896, of good quality and up to the standard. On file.

From City Cemetery—List of burials during week ending December 5, 1896. On file.

From Department of Public Charities—Transmitting bill against this Department for drugs and special diet for Penitentiary Hospital, maintenance of crew of steam launch, doctors, chaplain, and treatment of Workhouse inmates at Almshouse, amounting, in all, to \$6,450.66. Referred to Wardens of Penitentiary and Workhouse for report.

From District Prisons—Amount of fines received during week ending December 5, 1896, \$480. On file.

Proposals for the erection of temporary quarters at City Prison were opened in the presence of the Commissioner and the Contract Clerk of the Finance Department.

The following bids for temporary quarters at City Prison having been received, and the same being above the amount appropriated for said work, it is ordered that the same be and are hereby rejected, the architects to be notified to modify specifications so as to come within the amount appropriated, the cost of temporary quarters, architects' fees, inspection and other incidental expenses to be charged to the aforesaid appropriation.

Bids—James D. Murphy, \$14,200; James A. Lavelle, \$14,316. Amount appropriated, \$12,000. ROBERT J. WRIGHT, Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

NEW YORK, December 21, 1896.

Operations for the week ending December 19, 1896:

Plans filed for new buildings, 41; estimated cost, \$556,300; plans filed for alterations, 28; estimated cost, \$167,400; buildings reported for additional means of escape, 18; other violations of law reported, 160; buildings reported as unsafe, 77; violation notices issued, 388; fire-escape notices issued, 25; unsafe buildings notices issued, 143; violation cases forwarded for prosecution, 104; fire-escape cases forwarded for prosecution, 11; complaints lodged with the Department, 114; iron and steel inspections made, 5,832.

STEVENSON CONSTABLE, Superintendent of Buildings.

WILLIAM H. CLASS, Chief Clerk.

ALDERMANIC COMMITTEES.

Finance.
FINANCE—The Committee on Finance will hold a meeting on Tuesday, December 22, 1896, at 1 o'clock P. M., in Room 13, City Hall.
WM. H. TEN EYCK, Clerk, Common Council.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

Mayor's Office—No. 6 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.
Mayor's Marshal's Office—No. 1 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Commissioners of Accounts—Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Aqueduct Commissioners—Stewart Building, 5th floor, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Board of Armory Commissioners—Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; **Saturdays**, 9 A. M. to 12 M.
Clerk of Common Council—No. 8 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Department of Public Works—No. 150 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Department of Street Improvements, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards—No. 1262 Third avenue, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; **Saturdays**, 12 M.
Department of Buildings—No. 220 Fourth avenue, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Comptroller's Office—No. 15 Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Auditing Bureau—Nos. 19, 21 and 23 Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents—Nos. 31, 33, 35, 37 and 39 Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. No money received after 2 P. M.
Bureau for the Collection of City Revenue and of Markets—Nos. 1 and 3 Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. No money received after 2 P. M.
Bureau for the Collection of Taxes—Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. No money received after 2 P. M.
City Chamberlain—Nos. 25 and 27 Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
City Paymaster—Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Counsel to the Corporation—Staats-Zeitung Building, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.; **Saturdays**, 9 A. M. to 12 M.
Corporation Attorney—No. 119 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Attorney for Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes—Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Bureau of Street Openings—Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway.
Public Administrator—No. 119 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Police Department—Central Office, No. 300 Mulberry street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Board of Education—No. 146 Grand street.
Department of Charities—Central Office, No. 66 Third avenue, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Department of Correction—Central Office, No. 148 East Twentieth street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Fire Department—Headquarters, Nos. 157 to 159 East Sixty-seventh street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; **Saturdays**, 12 M. Central Office open at all hours.
Health Department—New Criminal Court Building, Centre street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Department of Public Parks—Arsenal, Central Park, Sixty-fourth street and Fifth avenue, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.; **Saturdays**, 12 M.
Department of Docks—Battery, Pier A, North river, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Department of Taxes and Assessments—Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; **Saturdays**, 12 M.
Board of Electrical Control—No. 126a Broadway.
Department of Street Cleaning—No. 32 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Civil Service Board—Criminal Court Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Board of Estimate and Apportionment—Stewart Building.
Board of Assessors—Office, 27 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Sheriff's Office—Nos. 6 and 7 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Register's Office—East side City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Commissioner of Jurors—Room 127, Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
County Clerk's Office—Nos. 7 and 8 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
District Attorney's Office—New Criminal Court Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
The City Record Office—No. 2 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M., except **Saturdays**, 9 A. M. to 12 M.
Governor's Room—City Hall, open from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.; **Saturdays**, 10 to 12 A. M.
Coroner's Office—New Criminal Court Building, open constantly. **Edward F. Reynolds**, Clerk.
Surrogate's Court—New County Court-house, 10.30 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Appellate Division, Supreme Court—Court-house, No. 111 Fifth avenue, corner Eighteenth street. Court opens at 1 P. M.
Supreme Court—County Court-house, 10.30 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Criminal Division, Supreme Court—New Criminal Court Building, Centre street, opens at 10.30 A. M.
Court of General Sessions—New Criminal Court Building, Centre street. Court opens at 11 o'clock A. M.; adjourns 4 P. M. Clerk's Office, 10 A. M. till 4 P. M.
City Court—City Hall. General Term, Room No. 20 Trial Term, Part I., Room No. 20; Part II., Room No. 21; Part III., Room No. 15; Part IV., Room No. 11. Special Term Chambers will be held in Room No. 19 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. Clerk's Office, Room No. 10, City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Court of Special Sessions—New Criminal Court Building, Centre street. Opens daily, except **Saturday**, at 10 A. M. Clerk's office hours daily, except **Saturday** from 9 A. M. until 4 P. M.; **Saturdays**, 9 A. M. until 12 M.
District Civil Courts—First District—Southwest corner of Centre and Chambers streets. Clerk's office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Second District—Corner of Grand and Centre streets. Clerk's Office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Third District—Southwest corner Sixth avenue and West Tenth street. Court open daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted) from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Fourth District—No. 30 First street. Court opens 9 A. M. daily. Fifth District—No. 154 Clinton street. Sixth District—Northwest corner Twenty-third street and Second avenue. Court opens 9 A. M. daily. Seventh District—No. 151 East Fifty-seventh street. Court opens 9 o'clock (except Sundays and legal holidays). Eighth District—Northwest corner of Twenty-third street and Eighth avenue. Court opens 9 A. M. Trial days: **Wednesdays**, **Fridays** and **Saturdays**. Return days: **Tuesdays**, **Thursdays** and **Sundays**. Ninth District—No. 170 East One Hundred and Twenty-first street. Court opens every morning at 9 o'clock (except Sundays and legal holidays). Tenth District—Corner of Third avenue and One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Eleventh District—No. 919 Eighth avenue. Court open daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted) from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Twelfth District—Westchester, New York City. Open daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted), from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Thirteenth District—Corner Columbus avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street. Court open daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted), from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
City Magistrates' Courts—Office of Secretary, Fifth District Police Court, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, near Fourth avenue. First District—Tomb, Centre street. Second District—Jefferson Market. Third District—No. 69 Essex street. Fourth District—Fifty-seventh street, near Lexington avenue. Fifth District—One Hundred and Twenty-first street, southeastern corner of Sylvan place. Sixth District—One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street and Third avenue.

CITY CIVIL SERVICE COMM.

NEW CRIMINAL COURT BUILDING, NEW YORK, December 2, 1896.
EXAMINATIONS WILL BE HELD AS FOLLOWS:
 December 22, 10 A. M. **HOSPITAL ORDERLIES.**
 December 23, 10 A. M. **STENOGRAPHER AND TYPEWRITER.** Candidates will be examined as to their ability to report proceedings verbatim.
 December 28, 10 A. M. **ASSISTANT APOTHECARY.**
 Notice is hereby given that applications are desired for Building Inspectors of Carpentry, in the Building Department. Candidates must have at least ten years' experience in the carpentering line. Applicants must have a thorough knowledge of carpentry, and sufficient knowledge respecting masonry and foundations to make them competent to superintend the construction of a frame building and of a moderate sized brick building. They must also be able to read readily the several plans of such a building.
 Persons desiring employment in the hospitals should make application as Hospital Orderly; salary from \$25 to \$40 per month. Orderlies are eligible for promotion to Inspector; salary from \$40 to \$60 per month, board and lodging furnished. Persons desiring employment at hospitals, outside work, should make application for Hospital Helper; salary not above \$25 per month, board and lodging furnished. Letters of recommendation will be required in all cases.
S. WILLIAM BRISCOE, Secretary.

NEW YORK, October 29, 1896.
NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT THE REGISTRATION day in the Labor Bureau will be Friday, and that examinations will take place on that day at 1 P. M.
S. WILLIAM BRISCOE, Secretary.

PARK AVENUE IMPROVEMENT.

TO CONTRACTORS.
THE BOARD FOR THE PARK AVENUE Improvement above One Hundred and Sixth street will receive sealed proposals up to 12 o'clock noon, of Wednesday, the 6th day of January, 1897, at its offices, No. 501 Fifth avenue, New York City, for all materials and work required for the substructural work of the Park Avenue Improvement above One Hundred and Sixth street, in the City of New York, in accordance with plans, which may now be inspected, and with specifications, estimates, forms of proposals and contract, copies of which, together with any further desired information, can be obtained on application at the offices of the Board, No. 501 Fifth avenue.
FRANK BULKLEY, President.
HENRY L. STODDARD, Secretary.

DAMAGE COMM.—23-24 WARDS.

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 537 of the Laws of 1893, entitled "An act providing for ascertaining and paying the amount of damages to lands and buildings suffered by reason of changes of grade of streets or avenues, made pursuant to chapter 721 of the Laws of 1887, providing for the depression of railroad tracks in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, in the City of New York, or otherwise," and the acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, notice is hereby given, that public meetings of the Commissioners, appointed pursuant to said acts, will be held at Room 58, Schermerhorn Building, No. 96 Broadway, in the City of New York, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week, at 2 o'clock P. M., until further notice.

Dated New York, October 30, 1896.
DANIEL LORD, JAMES M. VARNUM, GEORGE W. STEPHENS, Commissioners.
LAMONT McLOUGHLIN, Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE owner or owners, occupant or occupants, of all houses and lots, improved or unimproved lands affected thereby, that the following assessments have been completed and are lodged in the office of the Board of Assessors for examination by all persons interested, viz.:
 List 5116, No. 1. Regulating, grading, curbing and flagging One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street, from the Southern Boulevard to Locust avenue (together with a list of awards for damages caused by a change of grade).
 List 5168, No. 2. Regulating, grading, curbing, flagging and laying crosswalks in Willow avenue, from the Bronx Kills or Long Island Sound to East One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street (together with a list of awards for damages caused by a change of grade).
 List 5169, No. 3. Regulating, grading, curbing and flagging One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, from the Southern Boulevard to Locust avenue (together with a list of awards for damages caused by a change of grade).
 List 5288, No. 4. Sewer in Union Square, West, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth streets, connecting with sewer in Seventeenth street.
 List 5308, No. 5. Receiving-basins on the northeast corner of Seventy-seventh street and on the southeast corners of Eighty-second and Eighty-third streets and Riverside avenue.
 List 5309, No. 6. Sewer in Pleasant avenue, between One Hundred and Fourteenth and One Hundred and Fifteenth streets, connecting with sewer in One Hundred and Fifteenth street, east of Pleasant avenue.
 List 5311, No. 7. Receiving-basin on the southwest corner of One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street and Boulevard Lafayette.
 List 5312, No. 8. Receiving-basin and gully trap on the north side of One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street at Madison avenue.
 List 5313, No. 9. Receiving-basin on the southeast corner of Thirtieth street and Second avenue.
 List 5314, No. 10. Sewers in Eleventh avenue, both sides, between One Hundred and Eighty-sixth and One Hundred and Eighty-seventh streets.
 List 5321, No. 11. Regulating, grading, curbing and flagging One Hundred and Eleventh street, from the Boulevard to Riverside avenue.
 List 5333, No. 12. Paving Twenty-eighth street, from a line about 394 feet east of First avenue to the bulkhead-line of the East river, with asphalt.
 List 5343, No. 13. Sewer and appurtenances in One Hundred and Sixty-sixth street, between Tinton and Forest avenues.
 The limits embraced by such assessments include all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land situated on—
 No. 1. Both sides of One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street, from the Southern Boulevard to Locust avenue, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.
 No. 2. Both sides of Willow avenue, from Long Island Sound to One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.
 No. 3. Both sides of One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, from Southern Boulevard to Locust avenue, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.
 No. 4. West side of Union Square, West, from Sixteenth to Seventeenth street.
 No. 5. North side of Seventy-seventh street, south side of Eighty-second street, and south side of Eighty-third street, from West End to Riverside avenue.
 No. 6. Both sides of Pleasant avenue, from One Hundred and Fourteenth to One Hundred and Fifteenth street, extending about 94 feet east of Pleasant avenue.
 No. 7. West side of Boulevard Lafayette, from a point distant about 187 feet north of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street to One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street.
 No. 8. Block bounded by One Hundred and Thirty-seventh and One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, Madison and Fifth avenues, also Madison Avenue Bridge.
 No. 9. South side of Thirtieth street, extending about 314 feet east of Second avenue, and east side of Second avenue, extending about 98 feet 9 inches south of Thirtieth street.

No. 10. Both sides of Eleventh avenue, from One Hundred and Eighty-sixth to One Hundred and Eighty-seventh street.
 No. 11. Both sides of One Hundred and Eleventh street, from the Boulevard to Riverside avenue, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.
 No. 12. Both sides of Twenty-eighth street, from a point about 394 feet east of First avenue to the bulkhead-line of the East river.
 No. 13. Both sides of One Hundred and Sixty-sixth street, from Forest to Tinton avenue.
 All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections, in writing, to the Chairman of the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 27 Chambers street, within thirty days from the date of this notice.
 The above-described lists will be transmitted, as provided by law, to the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments, for confirmation on the 18th day of January, 1897.
THOMAS J. RUSH, Chairman; **PATRICK M. HAVERTY, JOHN W. JACOBUS, EDWARD McCUE**, Board of Assessors.
 New York, December 17, 1896.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION.

FOUR THOUSAND TONS COAL.
PROPOSALS FOR FOUR THOUSAND (4,000) Tons of White Ash Coal for 1897. Sealed bids or estimates for furnishing the Department of Correction, during the year 1897, as may be required, and in accordance with the specifications,
FOUR THOUSAND (4,000) TONS (2,240 POUNDS EACH) OF WHITE ASH COAL will be received at the office of the Department of Correction, No. 148 East Twentieth street, in the City of New York, until 10 o'clock A. M. of Wednesday, December 23, 1896. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for 4,000 Tons of White Ash Coal," and with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the Commissioner, or his duly authorized agent, of said Department and read.
 The Commissioner of the Department of Correction reserves the right to reject all bids or estimates if deemed to be for the public interest, as provided in SECTION 64, CHAPTER 410, LAWS OF 1882.
 No bid or estimate will be accepted from, or contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

The award of the contract will be made as soon as practicable after the opening of the bids.
 Delivery will be required to be made from time to time and in such quantities as may be directed by the said Commissioner.
 Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect, and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract, by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, each in the penal amount of FIVE THOUSAND (5,000) DOLLARS.
 Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him or them therein, and if no other person be so interested, it shall distinctly state that fact; also that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof, or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.
 Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for his faithful performance, and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same they shall pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting; the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the Fresh Fish, etc., by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by section 12 of chapter 7 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of New York, if the contract shall be awarded to the person or persons for whom he consents to become surety. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.
 No bid or estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the State or National banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.
 Should the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded neglect or refuse to accept the contract within five days after written notice that the same has been awarded to his or their bid or proposal, or if he or they accept but do not execute the contract and give proper security, he or they shall be considered as having abandoned it and as in default to the Corporation, and the contract will be readvertised and relet as provided by law.
 Bidders will write out the amount of their estimate in addition to inserting the same in figures.
 Payment will be made by a requisition on the Comptroller, in accordance with the terms of the contract, from time to time, as the Commissioner may determine.
 The form of the contract, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, can be obtained at the office of the Department, and bidders are especially cautioned to examine each and all of its provisions carefully, as the Commissioner of Correction will insist upon its absolute enforcement in every particular.
 Dated New York, December 11, 1896.
ROBERT J. WRIGHT, Commissioner, Department of Correction.

No bid or estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the National or State banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the estimate box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.
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 Dated New York, December 11, 1896.
ROBERT J. WRIGHT, Commissioner, Department of Correction.

FISH.

PROPOSALS FOR FRESH FISH, ETC., FOR 1897. Sealed Bids or Estimates for Furnishing, during the year ending December 31, 1897,
FRESH FISH, ETC., will be received at the office of the Department of Correction, No. 148 East Twentieth street, in the City of New York, until 10 o'clock A. M. of Wednesday, December 23, 1896. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Fresh Fish, etc., for the year ending December 31, 1897," and with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the Commissioner, or his duly authorized agent, of said Department and read.
 The Commissioner of Correction reserves the right to reject all bids or estimates if deemed to be for the public interest, as provided in SECTION 64, CHAPTER 410, LAWS OF 1882.
 No bid or estimate will be accepted from, or contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.
 The award of the contract will be made as soon as practicable after the opening of the bids.
 Delivery will be required to be made from time to time, and in such quantities as may be directed by the said Commissioner.
 Any bidder for this contract must furnish testimonials that he is engaged in the business of selling fish in the City of New York, and has the plant necessary to carry out promptly and regularly the contract, if it be awarded, to the entire satisfaction of the Commissioner of the Department of Correction, and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, each in the penal amount of FIVE THOUSAND (5,000) DOLLARS.
 Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him or them therein, and if no other person be so interested it shall distinctly state that fact; also that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Common Council, Head of a Department, Chief of a Bureau, Deputy thereof, or Clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.
 Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for his faithful performance, and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same they shall pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting; the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the Fresh Fish, etc., by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by section 12 of chapter 7 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of New York, if the contract shall be awarded to the person or persons for whom he consents to become surety. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.
 No bid or estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the State or National banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.
 Should the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded neglect or refuse to accept the contract within five days after written notice that the same has been awarded to his or their bid or proposal, or if he or they accept but do not execute the contract and give proper security, he or they shall be considered as having abandoned it and as in default to the Corporation, and the contract will be readvertised and relet as provided by law.
 Bidders will write out the amount of their estimate in addition to inserting the same in figures.
 Payment will be made by a requisition on the Comptroller, in accordance with the terms of the contract, from time to time, as the Commissioner may determine.
 The form of the contract, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, can be obtained at the office of the Department, and bidders are especially cautioned to examine each and all of its provisions carefully, as the Commissioner of Correction will insist upon its absolute enforcement in every particular.
 Dated New York, December 11, 1896.
ROBERT J. WRIGHT, Commissioner, Department of Correction.

MEATS.

PROPOSALS FOR ALL THE MEATS REQUIRED for the year 1897. Sealed bids or estimates for furnishing all the Meats required for the year 1897 to the Department of Correction, in the City and County of New York, will be received at the office of the Department of Correction, No. 148 East Twentieth street, in the City of New York, until 10 o'clock A. M. of Wednesday, December 23, 1896. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for all the Meats required for 1897," with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimate received will be publicly opened by the Commissioner, or his duly authorized agent, of said Department and read.
 The Commissioner of the Department of Correction reserves the right to reject all bids or estimates if deemed to be for the public interest, as provided in SECTION 64, CHAPTER 410, LAWS OF 1882.
 No bid or estimate will be accepted from, or contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.
 The award of the contract will be made as soon as practicable after the opening of the bids.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The quality of the Yeast must conform in every respect to the samples of the same on exhibition at the office of the said Department. Bidders are cautioned to examine the specifications for particulars of the Yeast, etc., required before making their estimates.

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

Payment will be made by a requisition on the Comptroller, in accordance with the terms of the contract, or from time to time, as the Commissioners may determine. The form of the contract, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, will be furnished at the office of the Department, and bidders are cautioned to examine each and all of its provisions carefully, as the Commissioner of the Department of Correction will insist upon its absolute enforcement in every particular.

ROBERT J. WRIGHT, Commissioner, Department of Correction.

DEPT. OF PUBLIC CHARITIES.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES, No. 66 THIRD AVENUE.

PROPOSALS FOR ICE.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING Ice, 2,300 tons (more or less) prime quality Ice not less than ten inches thick, to be delivered at Blackwell's and Randall's Islands, in quantities as required, during the year 1897. The weight to be in all cases as received by the Department. Bidders to name price per ton of 2,000 pounds, all of which shall be delivered at the points named, free of expense to the Department of Public Charities.

—will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities, in the City of New York, until 10 A. M. of Wednesday, December 30, 1896. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Ice," with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President of said Department and read.

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

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

The award of the contract will be made as soon as practicable after the opening of the bids. Delivery will be required to be made from time to time, and in such quantities as may be directed by the said Commissioners.

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

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name

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

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

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

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

Bidders are cautioned to examine the specifications for particulars of the articles, etc., required, before making their estimates.

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

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

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

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

Dated NEW YORK, December 17, 1896.

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES, NEW YORK, December 17, 1896.

PROPOSALS FOR GROCERIES. SEALED BIDS or estimates for furnishing Groceries and other Supplies, in conformity with samples and specifications, will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities, No. 66 Third Avenue, in the City of New York, until 10 o'clock A. M. of Wednesday, December 30, 1896.

GROCERIES.

109,250 pounds Standard Granulated Sugar during the first six months of the year 1897. 5,500 pounds, more or less, Compressed Yeast, in 1-pound packages. To be delivered in installments as may be required during the year 1897.

No empty packages are to be returned to bidders or contractors except such as are designated in the specifications.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, NOS. 157 AND 159 EAST SIXTY-SEVENTH STREET, NEW YORK, December 17, 1896.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT FOUR Remington Typewriters, Nos. 87494, 89797, 81871 and 77035, will be offered for sale at public auction by John Stiebling, Auctioneer, on Thursday, December 24, 1896, at these Headquarters, at 12 o'clock noon.

The right to reject all bids is reserved.

The highest bidder, in case the bid is accepted, will be required to pay for the same in cash at the time of sale and must remove the articles within forty-eight hours after the sale.

Typewriters may be seen at any time before the day of sale, at Headquarters.

JAMES R. SHEFFIELD, O. H. LA GRANGE, THOMAS STURGIS, Commissioners.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, NEW YORK, December 17, 1896.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING articles below enumerated to this Department will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head of the Fire Department, at the office of said Department, Nos. 157 and 159 East Sixty-seventh street, in the City of New York, until 10:30 o'clock A. M. Thursday, December 31, 1896, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read:

SEVENTY-FIVE (75) KEYLESS DOORS, ETC., TO FIRE-ALARM SIGNAL-BOXES.

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

For information as to the description of the articles to be furnished, bidders are referred to the specifications, which form part of these proposals.

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

Bidders may also submit samples of keyless doors they may propose to furnish, which must be applicable to the boxes in use in this Department and as good or better than the sample shown.

Bidders must write out the amount of their estimates in addition to inserting the same in figures.

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

The damages to be paid by the contractor for each day that the contract may be unfulfilled after the time specified for the completion thereof shall have expired are fixed and liquidated at the sum of Ten (10) Dollars.

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

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

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

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him or them therein, and if no other person be so interested it shall distinctly state that fact; that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a

bureau, deputy thereof or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders of the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will on its being so awarded, become bound as sureties for its faithful performance in the sum of Twelve Hundred (1,200) Dollars, and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by law. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered is to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York before the award is made and prior to the signing of the contract.

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of Sixty (60) Dollars. Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

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

JAMES R. SHEFFIELD, O. H. LA GRANGE, and THOMAS STURGIS, Commissioners.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, NEW YORK, December 17, 1896.

TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING 1,800 feet of 2½-inch Carbolized Rubber-lined Fire-hose, "Maltese Cross" brand, will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head of the Fire Department, at the office of said Department, Nos. 157 and 159 East Sixty-seventh street, in the City of New York, until 10:30 o'clock A. M. Thursday, December 31, 1896, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read.

Special attention is directed to the test of the hose by the Fire Department and the guarantee of the hose by the contractor, required by the specifications.

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

For information as to the description of the hose to be furnished, bidders are referred to the specifications, which form part of these proposals.

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

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

The hose is to be delivered within thirty (30) days after the execution of the contract.

The damages to be paid by the contractor for each day that the contract may be unfulfilled after the time specified for the completion thereof shall have expired, are fixed and liquidated at the sum specified in the form of contract.

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

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

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

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

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders of the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as sureties for its faithful performance in the sum of Nine Hundred (900) Dollars and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above-mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by law. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered is

to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York before the award is made and prior to the signing of the contract.

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

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

JAMES R. SHEFFIELD, O. H. LA GRANGE, THOMAS STURGIS, Commissioners.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, NEW YORK, December 15, 1896.

TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR REPAIRING, ETC., One second size La France Steam Fire Engine, Registered No. 108, will be received by the Board of Commissioners of the Fire Department, at the office of said Department, Nos. 157 and 159 East Sixty-seventh street, in the City of New York, until 10.30 o'clock A. M. Wednesday, December 30, 1896, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders of the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as sureties for its faithful performance in the sum of One Thousand (1,000) Dollars; and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion, and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith, and with the intention to execute the bond required by law. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered is to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York before the award is made and prior to the signing of the contract.

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of five (5) per centum of the amount of the security required. Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

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

JAMES R. SHEFFIELD, O. H. LA GRANGE, THOMAS STURGIS, Commissioners.

NEW YORK, December 4, 1896.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING THREE HUNDRED (300) TONS OF CANNEL COAL will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head of the Fire Department, at the office of said

Department, Nos. 157 and 159 East Sixty-seventh street, in the City of New York, until 10.30 o'clock A. M. Wednesday, December 30, 1896, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read.

The coal is to be free-burning, of the first quality of the kind known as "Weir-wick" Cannel Coal, all to weigh 2,000 pounds to the ton, and be hand-picked and free from slate.

All of the coal is to be delivered at the various Fuel Depots and Engine-houses of the Department, in such quantities and at such times as may be from time to time directed, and the same is to be weighed in the presence of a Weighmaster, designated for that purpose by the Department, upon scales furnished by the Department, which scales are to be transported by the contractor. All as more fully set forth in the specifications to the contract, to which particular attention is directed.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders of the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as sureties for its faithful performance in the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred (1,500) Dollars; and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith, and with the intention to execute the bond required by law. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered is to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York before the award is made and prior to the signing of the contract.

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of seventy-five (75) dollars. Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

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

JAMES R. SHEFFIELD, O. H. LA GRANGE, THOMAS STURGIS, Commissioners.

NORMAL COLLEGE OF THE CITY. SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED by the Executive Committee for the care, etc., of the Normal College of the City of New York, at the Hall of the Board of Education, No. 146 Grand street, until 4 o'clock P. M., on Monday, December 28, 1896, for Making Repairs, Alterations, etc., to the Normal College Buildings.

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

The Executive Committee reserve the right to reject any or all proposals submitted.

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

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

Proposals must be addressed to the "Executive Committee of the College of the City of New York."

CHAS. BULKLEY HUBBELL, Chairman.

ARTHUR McMULLIN, Secretary.

Dated NEW YORK, November 14, 1896.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED by the Committee on Buildings of the Board of Education of the City of New York, at the Hall of the Board, No. 146 Grand street, until four (4) o'clock P. M. on Monday, January 4, 1897, for Supplying School Furniture for the New School in East One Hundred and Second street, near First avenue; also Nos. 182 and 184 Cherry street.

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

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

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

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

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

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

It is required, as a condition precedent to the reception or consideration of any proposals, that a certified check upon or a certificate of deposit of one of the State or National banks or Trust Companies of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the President of the Board of Education, shall accompany the proposal to an amount of not less than three per cent. of such proposal when said proposal is for or exceeds ten thousand dollars, and to an amount of not less than five per cent. of such proposal when said proposal is for an amount under ten thousand dollars; that on demand, within one day after the awarding of the contract by the Committee, the President of the Board will return all the deposits of checks and certificates of deposits made, to the persons making the same, except that made by the person or persons whose bid has been so accepted; and that if the person or persons whose bid has been so accepted shall refuse or neglect, within five days after due notice has been given that the contract is ready for execution, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit or of the check or certificate of deposit made by him or them shall be forfeited to and retained by this Board, not as a penalty, but as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal, and shall be paid into the City Treasury to the credit of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York; but if the said person or persons whose bid has been so accepted shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his or their deposit of check or certificate of deposit shall be returned to him or them.

JOSEPH J. LITTLE, NATHANIEL A. PRENTISS, RICHARD H. ADAMS, WM. H. HURLBUT, JOHN G. AGAR, Committee on Buildings.

ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk.

Dated NEW YORK, December 22, 1896.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED

at the office of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, until Monday, January 4, 1897, at 4 P. M., for supplying, for the use of the schools under the jurisdiction of said Board, Books for School Libraries for the year 1897. All publishers of books and dealers in the various articles required are notified that preference will be given to the bids of principals, the Committee being desirous that commissions, if any, shall be deducted from the price of the articles bid for. Each contractor will be required to furnish two responsible sureties for the faithful performance of his contract. A sample of each article must accompany the bids. A list of articles required, with the conditions upon which bids will be received, may be obtained on application to the Clerk of the Board. Each proposal must be addressed to the Committee on Supplies, and indorsed "Proposals for Libraries." The Committee reserve the right to reject any bid if deemed for the public interest.

Dated NEW YORK, December 21, 1896.

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

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY

the Executive Committee on Nautical School, at the Hall of the Board of Education, No. 146 Grand street, until 4 o'clock P. M. on Tuesday, December 29, 1896, for sundry repairs to the School-ship "St. Mary's."

HUGH KELLY, Chairman Executive Committee on Nautical School.

Specifications may be seen and blank proposals obtained at the office of the Superintendent of the Nautical School-ship "St. Mary's," foot of East Twenty-eighth street.

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

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

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

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

The party submitting a proposal must include in his proposal the names of all subcontractors, and no change will be permitted to be made in the subcontractors named without the consent of the Committee.

It is required as a condition precedent to the reception or consideration of any proposals, that a certified check upon, or a certificate of deposit of, one of the State or National banks or Trust Companies of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the President of this Board, shall accompany the proposal to an amount of not less than three per cent. of such proposal, when said proposal is for or exceeds ten thousand dollars, and to an amount of not less than five per cent. of such proposal when said proposal is for an amount under ten thousand dollars; that on demand, within one day after the awarding of the contract by the Committee, the President of the Board will return all the deposits of checks and certificates of deposit made to the persons making the same, except that made by the person or persons whose bid has been so accepted; and that if the person or persons whose bid has been so accepted shall refuse or neglect, within five days after due notice has been given that the contract is ready for execution, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit or of the check or certificate of deposit made by him or them shall be forfeited to and retained by this Board, not as a penalty, but as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal, and shall be paid into the City Treasury to the credit of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York; but if the said person or persons whose bid has been so accepted shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his or their deposit of check or certificate of deposit shall be returned to him or them.

Dated NEW YORK, December 17, 1896.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR CONVEYING

pupils from Williamsbridge to Grammar School No. 64, and return, in two stages, on every school-day from and including January 4, 1897, to and including July 2, 1897; also sealed proposals for conveying pupils from Morris Heights to Primary School No. 45, and return, in two stages, on every school-day, from and including January 4, 1897, to and including July 2, 1897; and also sealed proposals for conveying pupils from Potter place, Upper Bedford Park, to Primary School No. 18, at Woodlawn, and return, in two stages, on every school-day, from and including January 4, 1897, to and including July 2, 1897, will be received by the Committee on Supplies of the Board of Education, at the Hall of the Board of Education, No. 146 Grand street, until the 29th day of December, 1896, at 4 o'clock P. M.

The Committee reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.

For terms of contract and for information as to further requirements, inquire at the Hall of the Board of Education, No. 146 Grand street.

Dated NEW YORK, December 17, 1896.

EDWARD H. PEASLEE, Chairman, Committee on Supplies.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED

by the Committee on Buildings of the Board of Education of the City of New York, at the Hall of the Board, No. 146 Grand street, until four (4) o'clock P. M. on Monday, December 28, 1896, for Erecting Wings to and Improving Premises and Building of Primary School No. 27; also for the Erection of a New School Building on the west side of Fulton avenue and north side of East One Hundred and Seventy-third street.

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

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

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

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

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

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

It is required, as a condition precedent to the reception or consideration of any proposals, that a certified check upon, or a certificate of deposit of, one of the State or National banks or Trust Companies of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the President of the Board of Education, shall accompany the proposal to an amount of not less than three per cent. of such proposal when said proposal is for or exceeds ten thousand dollars, and to an amount of not less than five per cent. of such proposal when said proposal is for an amount under ten thousand dollars; that on demand, within one day after the awarding of the contract by the Committee, the President of the Board will return all the deposits of checks and certificates of deposit made to the persons making the same, except that made by the person or persons whose bid has been so accepted; and that if the person or persons whose bid has been so accepted shall refuse or neglect, within five days after due notice has been given that the contract is ready for execution, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit or of the check or certificate of deposit made by him or them shall be forfeited to and retained by this Board, not as a penalty, but as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal, and shall be paid into the City Treasury to the credit of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York; but if the said person or persons whose bid has been so accepted shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his or their deposit of check or certificate of deposit shall be returned to him or them.

Dated NEW YORK, December 16, 1896.

JOSEPH J. LITTLE, NATHANIEL A. PRENTISS, RICHARD H. ADAMS, WM. H. HURLBUT, JOHN G. AGAR, Committee on Buildings.

ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk.

Dated NEW YORK, December 16, 1896.

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Dated NEW YORK, December 16, 1896.

JOSEPH J. LITTLE, NATHANIEL A. PRENTISS, RICHARD H. ADAMS, WM. H. HURLBUT, JOHN G. AGAR, Committee on Buildings.

ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk.

Dated NEW YORK, December 16, 1896.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, December 18, 1896.

TO CONTRACTORS.

BIDS OR ESTIMATES, INCLOSED IN A sealed envelope, with the title of the work and the name of the bidder indorsed thereon, also the number of the work as in the advertisement, will be received at No. 150 Nassau street, corner of Spruce street, in the Chief Clerk's Office, Room No. 1704-7, until 12 o'clock M. on Thursday, December 31, 1896. The bids will be publicly opened by the head of the Department in the basement at No. 150 Nassau street at the hour above mentioned.

Each estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party making the same, that the several matters therein stated are true, and must be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, to the effect that if the contract is awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, upon its being so awarded, become bound as sureties for its faithful performance, and that if he shall refuse or neglect to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled upon its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person to whom the contract shall be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested.

The consent last above mentioned must be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of the contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety, or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as surety in good faith, with the intention to execute the bond required by law.

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

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

Blank forms of bid or estimate, the proper envelopes in which to inclose the same, the specifications and agreements, and any further information desired, can be obtained in Room No. 1703.

HOWARD PAYSON WILDS, Deputy and Acting Commissioner of Public Works.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, December 17, 1896.

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COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, December 17, 1896.

TO CONTRACTORS.

BIDS OR ESTIMATES, INCLOSED IN A sealed envelope, with the title of the work and the name of the bidder indorsed thereon, also the number of the work as in the advertisement, will be received at No. 150 Nassau street, corner of Spruce street, in the Chief Clerk's Office, Room No. 1704-7, until 12 o'clock M. on Wednesday, December 30, 1896. The bids will be publicly opened by the head of the Department in the basement at No. 150 Nassau street, at the hour above mentioned.

Blank forms of bid or estimate, the proper envelopes in which to inclose the same, the specifications and agreements, and any further information desired, can be obtained in Room No. 1703.

HOWARD PAYSON WILDS, Deputy and Acting Commissioner of Public Works.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, December 17, 1896.

TO CONTRACTORS.

BIDS OR ESTIMATES, INCLOSED IN A sealed envelope, with the title of the work and the name of the bidder indorsed thereon, also the number of the work as in the advertisement, will be received at No. 150 Nassau street, corner of Spruce street, in the Chief Clerk's Office, Room No. 1704-7, until 12 o'clock M. on Wednesday, December 30, 1896. The bids will be publicly opened by the head of the Department in the basement at No. 150 Nassau street, at the hour above mentioned.

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STREET, from Second avenue to Lewis street, AND FOURTH STREET, from Second avenue to Lewis street.

No. 2. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH ASPHALT PAVEMENT, ON THE PRESENT PAVEMENT, THE CARRIAGEWAY OF TWENTY-SECOND STREET, from Lexington to Sixth avenue.

No. 3. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH ASPHALT PAVEMENT, ON THE PRESENT PAVEMENT, THE CARRIAGEWAY OF SEVENTY-SIXTH STREET, from Avenue A to Fifth avenue, except from Fifth to Madison avenue and from Third to Lexington avenue.

No. 4. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH ASPHALT PAVEMENT ON THE PRESENT PAVEMENT, THE CARRIAGEWAY OF SIXTY-THIRD STREET, from Avenue A to Fourth avenue, except from Third to Lexington avenue.

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him therein, and if no other person be so interested it shall distinctly state that fact; that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof, or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or in the work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof.

Each estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party making the same, that the several matters therein stated are true, and must be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, to the effect that if the contract is awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, upon its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance, and that if he shall refuse or neglect to execute the same they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled upon its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person to whom the contract shall be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested.

The consent last above mentioned must be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of the contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety, or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as surety in good faith, with the intention to execute the bond required by law.

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

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

Blank forms of bid or estimate, the proper envelopes in which to inclose the same, the specifications and agreements, and any further information desired, can be obtained in the Water Purveyor's office in the basement.

HOWARD PAYSON WILDS, Deputy and Acting Commissioner of Public Works.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, December 14, 1896.

TO CONTRACTORS.

BIDS OR ESTIMATES, INCLOSED IN A sealed envelope, with the title of the work and the name of the bidder indorsed thereon, also the number of the work as in the advertisement, will be received at No. 150 Nassau street, corner of Spruce street, in the Chief Clerk's Office, Room No. 1704-7, until 12 o'clock m. on Monday, December 28, 1896. The bids will be publicly opened by the head of the Department, in the basement at No. 150 Nassau street, at the hour above mentioned.

No. 1. FOR ALTERATION AND IMPROVEMENT TO SEWER IN SIXTY-FOURTH STREET, between Madison and Fifth avenues; IN FIFTH AVENUE, EAST SIDE, between Sixty-fourth and Sixty-ninth streets, and to curves at Sixty-sixth and Sixty-seventh streets.

No. 2. FOR REGULATING AND GRADING ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-NINTH STREET, from Seventh avenue to Fifth avenue, AND SETTING CURB-TONES AND FLAGGING SIDEWALKS THEREIN.

No. 3. FOR REGULATING AND GRADING ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTIETH STREET, from Amsterdam avenue to Kingsbridge road, AND SETTING CURB-STONES AND FLAGGING SIDEWALKS THEREIN.

No. 4. FOR REGULATING AND GRADING ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-EIGHTH STREET, from Audubon avenue to Wadsworth avenue, AND SETTING CURB-STONES AND FLAGGING SIDEWALKS THEREIN.

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him therein, and if no other person be so interested it shall distinctly state that fact; that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof, or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or in the work to which it relates or in any portion of the profits thereof.

Each estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party making the same, that the several matters therein stated are true, and must be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, to the effect that if the contract is awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, upon its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance, and that if he shall refuse or neglect to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled upon its completion, and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person to whom the contract shall be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested.

The consent last above mentioned must be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of the contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety, or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as surety in good faith, with the intention to execute the bond required by law.

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

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

Blank forms of bid or estimate, the proper envelopes in which to inclose the same, the specifications and agreements, and any further information desired, can be obtained in Rooms Nos. 1701 and 1734.

HOWARD PAYSON WILDS, Deputy and Acting Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, October 29, 1896.

TO OWNERS, ARCHITECTS AND BUILDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ALL ORDINANCES of the Common Council, approved December 31, 1886, and subsequent thereto, in relation to the use and occupancy of sidewalks, must be complied with, and that all hoistways must occupy only such space of the sidewalk as is authorized by special ordinance of the Common Council, passed March 30, 1886, viz.:

"Hoistways may be placed within the stoop-line, but in no case to extend beyond five feet from the house-line, and shall be guarded by iron railings or rods to prevent accidents to passers-by."

You are further notified that all violations now existing of such ordinances must be removed, and that all conditions set forth in permits granted for vault or other purposes must be complied with within sixty days. The special ordinances permitting court-yard inclosures give no right to occupy this space otherwise.

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

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, December 12, 1896.

TO CONTRACTORS.

BIDS OR ESTIMATES, INCLOSED IN A sealed envelope, with the title of the work and the name of the bidder indorsed thereon, also the number of the work as in the advertisement, will be received at No. 150 Nassau street, corner of Spruce street, in the Chief Clerk's Office, Room No. 1704-7, until 12 o'clock m. on Thursday, December 24, 1896. The bids will be publicly opened by the head of the Department, in the basement at No. 150 Nassau street, at the hour above mentioned.

FOR FURNISHING ILLUMINATING GAS FOR LIGHTING THE PUBLIC MARKETS, ARMORIES, BUILDINGS AND OFFICES OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 1897, TO DECEMBER 31, 1897, BOTH DAYS INCLUSIVE.

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him therein, and if no other person be so interested it shall distinctly state that fact; that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof, or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or in the work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof.

Each estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party making the same, that the several matters therein stated are true, and must be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, to the effect that if the contract is awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, upon its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance, and that if he shall refuse or neglect to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled upon its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person to whom the contract shall be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested.

The consent last above mentioned must be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of the contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as surety in good faith, with the intention to execute the bond required by law.

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

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

Blank forms of bid or estimate, the proper envelopes in which to inclose the same, the specifications and agreements, and any further information desired, can be obtained in Room No. 2200.

HOWARD PAYSON WILDS, Deputy and Acting Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, August 6, 1896.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE charge for vault permits is fixed at the rate of \$2 per square foot, under and pursuant to ordinance of the Common Council relating thereto.

HOWARD PAYSON WILDS, Deputy Commissioner of Public Works.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS, BUILDERS, FLAGGERS AND OTHERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE practice of placing concrete or other friable curbs on the streets of this city is in contravention of chapter 6, Article 7, section 105, Revised Ordinances of 1880, which reads: "All curb-stones * * * shall be of

the best hard blue or gray granite." And this Department will find it necessary to prosecute to the full penalty imposed by law persons setting or making such curbs, whether they have broken up or removed the curb-stones provided by the City or not.

Further notice is given that this Department will in no case entertain claims or damages to concrete or other artificial sidewalks that are caused by repair or setting of hydrants, or by other work which the City does for the general good.

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

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT FOR OPENING STREETS AND AVENUES.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 976 OF THE "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882," as amended, the Comptroller of the City of New York hereby gives public notice of the confirmation by the Supreme Court, and entry in the Bureau of Arrears, of the assessments for OPENING AND ACQUIRING TITLE to the following-named street in the TWELFTH WARD.

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FOURTH STREET, between Amsterdam avenue and the Boulevard; confirmed November 13, 1896, entered December 11, 1896. Area of assessment: All the lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: On the north by a line drawn parallel to One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street and distant northerly 100 feet from the northerly side thereof from the easterly side of Twelfth avenue to a line drawn parallel to the Boulevard, and distant westerly 100 feet from the westerly side thereof, and thence by a line drawn parallel to the Boulevard and distant westerly 100 feet from the westerly side thereof to the southerly side of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street; thence by the southerly side of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street; on the east by a line drawn parallel to Amsterdam avenue and distant 100 feet easterly from the easterly side thereof; on the south by a line drawn parallel to One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street and distant 100 feet southerly from the southerly side thereof from the easterly side of Twelfth avenue to a line drawn parallel to the Boulevard, and distant westerly 100 feet from the westerly side thereof; thence by a line drawn parallel to the Boulevard and distant westerly 100 feet from the westerly side thereof to the northerly side of One Hundred and Thirty-third street, and on the west by the easterly side of Twelfth avenue.

The above-entitled assessment was entered on the date hereinabove given in the Record of Titles of Assessments Confirmed, kept in the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents." Unless the amount assessed for benefit on any person or property shall be paid within sixty days after the date of said entry of the assessment, interest will be collected thereon, as provided in section 977 of said "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882."

Section 977 of the said act provides, that "If any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said Record of Titles of Assessments it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment to charge, collect and receive interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated from the date of such entry to the date of payment."

The above assessment is payable to the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, at the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents," Room 31, Stewart Building, between the hours of 9 A. M. and 2 P. M., and all payments made thereon on or before February 9, 1897, will be exempt from interest, as above provided; and after that date will be charged interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from the above date of entry of the assessment in the Record of Titles of Assessments in said Bureau to the date of payment.

ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, December 14, 1896.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT, BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF TAXES, No. 57 CHAMBERS STREET (STEWART BUILDING), NEW YORK, December 2, 1896.

NOTICE OF TAXPAYERS.

THE RECEIVER OF TAXES OF THE CITY of New York hereby gives notice to all persons who have omitted to pay their taxes for the year 1896, to pay the same to him at his office on or before the first day of January, 1897, as provided by section 846 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882.

Upon any such tax remaining unpaid after the first day of December, 1896, one per centum will be charged received and collected in addition to the amount thereof; and upon such tax remaining unpaid on the first day of January, 1897, interest will be charged, received and collected upon the amount thereof at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated from the first day of October, 1896, on which day the assessment rolls and warrants for the Taxes of 1896 were delivered to the said Receiver of Taxes, to the date of payment, pursuant to section 843 of said act.

DAVID E. AUSTEN, Receiver of Taxes.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK, 1896.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY Clerk of the Police Department of the City of New York, No. 300 Mulberry street, Room No. 9, for the following property, now in his custody, without claimants: Boats, rope, iron, lead, male and female clothing, boots, shoes, wine, blankets, diamonds, canned goods, liquors, etc.; also small amount of money taken from prisoners and found by Patrolman of this Department.

JOHN F. HARRIOT, Property Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

(WORK OF CONSTRUCTION UNDER NEW PLAN.)

TO CONTRACTORS. (No. 555.)

PROPOSALS FOR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING ABOUT 4,000 BARRELS OF PORTLAND CEMENT.

ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING ABOUT 4,000 barrels of Portland Cement will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head of the Department of Docks, at the office of said Department, on Pier "A," foot of Battery place, North river, in the City of New York, until 12 o'clock m. of

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1896, at which time and place the estimates will be publicly opened by the head of said Department. The award of the contract, if awarded, will be made as soon as practicable after the opening of the bids.

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

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

The cement required under this contract must be "Portland" cement, fully up to the standard of the best brands imported, and average at least 400 pounds gross weight to the barrel.

The quantity to be delivered under this contract is about 4,000 barrels.

It is estimated that about 2,500 barrels of this cement will be required to be quick-setting, and that about 1,500 barrels will be slow-setting, and it is further estimated that at the deliveries will be required to be made so that about 1,000 barrels per week, more or less, will be furnished in each week.

It is expected that about 2,000 barrels will be required to be delivered at West Fifty-seventh Street Yard, and that about 2,000 barrels will be required to be delivered at East Twenty-fourth Street Yard.

The contract is to be fully completed and to terminate on the 1st day of April, 1897.

The damages to be paid by the contractor for each day that the contract or any part thereof may be unfulfilled after the respective times specified for the fulfillment thereof may have expired, Sundays and holidays not to be excepted, are, by a clause in the contract, fixed and liquidated at Fifty Dollars per day.

The empty barrels will be relinquished to the contractor as provided for in the specifications, and bidders must estimate the value of the empty barrels when considering the price for which they will furnish the cement under this contract.

Bidders will state in their estimates a price for each barrel of cement to be furnished, in conformity with the approved form of agreement and the specifications therein set forth, by which prices the bids will be tested. These prices are to cover all expenses of every kind involved in or incidental to the fulfillment of the contract, including any claim that may arise through delay, from any cause, in the receiving of the material by the Department. The award of the contract, if awarded, will be made to the bidder who is the lowest for doing the whole of the work and whose estimate is regular in all respects.

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

The person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to attend at this office with the sureties offered by him or them, and execute the contract within five days from the date of the service of a notice to that effect, and in case of failure or neglect so to do, he or they will be considered as having abandoned it and as in default to the Corporation, and the contract will be readvertised and relet, and so on until it be accepted and executed.

Bidders are required to state in their estimates their names and places of residence, the names of all persons interested with them therein, and if no other person be so interested, the estimate is made without any consultation, connection or agreement with, and the amount thereof has not been disclosed to, any other person or persons making an estimate for the same purpose, and is not higher than the lowest regular market price for the same kind of labor or material, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; that no combination or pool exists of which the bidder is a member, or in which the bidder is directly or indirectly interested or of which the bidder has knowledge, either personal or otherwise, to bid a certain price or not less than a certain price for said labor or material, or to keep others from bidding thereon; and also that no member of the Common Council, Head of a Department, Chief of a Bureau, Deputy thereof, or Clerk therein, or any other officer or employee of the Corporation of the City of New York, or any of its departments, is directly or indirectly interested in this estimate, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof, and has not been given, offered or promised, either directly or indirectly, any pecuniary or other consideration by the bidder or anyone in his behalf with a view to influencing the action or judgment of such officer or employee in this or any other transaction heretofore had with this Department, which estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed to by all the parties interested.

In case a bid shall be submitted by or in behalf of any corporation, it must be signed in the name of such corporation by some duly authorized officer or agent thereof, who shall also subscribe his own name and office. If practicable the seal of the corporation should also be affixed.

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

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

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the specifications will be allowed, unless under the written instructions of the Engineer-in-Chief.

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

THE RIGHT TO DECLINE ALL THE ESTIMATES IS RESERVED IF DEEMED FOR THE INTEREST OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

Bidders are requested, in making their bids or estimates, to use the blank prepared for that purpose by the Department, a copy of which, together with the form of the agreement, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment for the material, can be obtained upon application therefor at the office of the Department.

EDWARD C. O'BRIEN, EDWIN EINSTEIN, JOHN MONKS, Commissioners of the Department of Docks.

Dated New York, December 8, 1896.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS, NEW YORK, December 10, 1896.

MESSRS. WOODROW & LEWIS, AUCTIONEERS, will sell to the highest bidder, at public auction, on account of the Department of Docks, on

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1896,

commencing at 10 o'clock A. M. of that day, the following described old material, at the place designated, to wit:

At West Fifty-seventh Street Yard.
 Lot 1—About 8,275 pounds old wrought iron.
 Lot 2—About 7,230 pounds old cast iron.
 Lot 3—About 1,200 pounds old rubber hose.
 Lot 4—About 525 pounds old rubber steam-hose.
 Lot 5—About 18 old oil barrels.
 Lot 6—About 17 old suction pumps.
 Lot 7—About 175 pounds old brass condenser tubes.
 Lot 8—About 325 pounds old copper pipes.
 Lot 9—About 18 old galvanized fire pipes.
 Lot 10—1 old water tube, 8 inches by 10 inches by 12 inches.
 Lot 11—1 old upstake for same boiler.
 Lot 12—1 Clapp & Jones Fire-pump, 12 inches by 12 inches by 12 inches.
 Lot 13—1 hoisting-engine of 16 horse-power.
 Lot 14—About 8 pairs of old rubber boots.
 Lot 15—About 3 old diving dresses.
 Lot 16—About 175 feet of old canvas hose.
 Lot 17—About 933 pounds of old rope.
 Lot 18—One old safe (Herring & Co., manufacturers).
 Lot 19—One old safe (Herring & Co., manufacturers).
 EDWARD C. O'BRIEN, EDWIN EINSTEIN,
 JOHN MONKS, Commissioners of the Department of Docks.
 Dated New York, December 10, 1896.

TO CONTRACTORS. (No. 563.) PROPOSALS FOR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING AND DELIVERING ABOUT 700 TONS OF ANTHRACITE COAL.

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

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1896, at which time and place the estimates will be publicly opened by the head of said Department. The award of the contract, if awarded, will be made as soon as practicable after the opening of the bids.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

A ton of coal under these specifications shall be 2,240 pounds avoirdupois.

The work to be done under this contract is to be commenced within ten days from the date of the receipt of an order from the Engineer to begin the delivery of coal, and the delivery will be continued in lots of about 230 tons at such times and places and in such manner as may be directed by the Engineer, and the delivery of said coal will be fully completed on or before the 31st day of March, 1897, and the damages to be paid by the Contractor for each day that the contract may be unfulfilled after the time fixed for the fulfillment thereof has expired are, by a clause in the contract, fixed and liquidated at Fifty Dollars per day.

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

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

The person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to attend at this office with the sureties offered by him or them and execute the contract within five days from the date of the service of a notice to that effect, and in case of failure or neglect so to do, he or they will be considered as having abandoned it and as in default to the Corporation, and the contract will be readvertised and relet, and so on until it be accepted and executed.

Bidders are required to state in their estimate their names and places of residence, the names of all persons interested with them therein, and if no other person be so interested the estimate shall distinctly state the fact; also that the estimate is made without any consultation, connection or agreement with and the amount thereof has not been disclosed to any other person or persons making an estimate for the same purpose, and is not higher than the lowest regular market price for the same kind of labor or material, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; that no combination or pool exists of which the bidder is a member, or in which he is directly or indirectly interested, or of which he has knowledge, either personal or otherwise, to bid a certain price, or not less than a certain price, for said labor or material, or to keep others from bidding thereon; and also that no member of the Common Council, Head of a Department, Chief of a Bureau, Deputy thereof, or Clerk therein, or any other officer or employee of the Corporation of the City of New York, or any of its Departments, is directly or indirectly interested in this estimate, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof, either directly or indirectly, any pecuniary or other consideration by the bidder, or anyone in his behalf, with a view to influencing his action or judgment in this or any other transaction heretofore had with this Department, which estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party making the estimate that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed to by all the parties interested.

Each estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person or persons making the estimate, they will, upon its being so awarded, become bound as his or their sureties for its faithful performance, and that if said person or persons shall omit or refuse to execute the contract, they will pay to the Corporation of the City of New York any difference between the sum to which said person or persons would be entitled upon its completion and that which said Corporation may be

obliged to pay to the person to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work to be done, by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of the contract over and above all his debts of every nature and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety and otherwise, and that he has offered himself as surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by law. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered will be subject to approval by the Comptroller of the City of New York after the award is made and prior to the signing of the contract.

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

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the specifications will be allowed unless under the written instructions of the Engineer-in-Chief.

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

THE RIGHT TO DECLINE ALL THE ESTIMATES IS RESERVED IF DEEMED FOR THE INTEREST OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

Bidders are requested, in making their bids or estimates, to use the blank prepared for that purpose by the Department, a copy of which, together with the form of the agreement, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment for the work, can be obtained upon application therefor at the office of the Department.

EDWARD C. O'BRIEN, EDWIN EINSTEIN, JOHN MONKS, Commissioners of the Department of Docks.
 Dated New York, December 10, 1896.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS, No. 220 FOURTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, June 22, 1896.
 NOTICE TO OWNERS, ARCHITECTS AND BUILDERS.

THE DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS HAS established a branch office at junction of Third and Courtlandt avenues, where all plans for the erection or alteration of buildings above the Harlem river may be submitted and filed.

STEVENSON CONSTABLE, Superintendent Buildings.

BOARD OF CITY RECORD.

OFFICE OF THE CITY RECORD, No. 2 CITY HALL, NEW YORK, November 25, 1896.

PROPOSALS TO PRINT AND BIND, IN PAMPHLET AND IN BOOK FORM, THE INDEXES TO THE RECORDS OF BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS KEPT BY THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, FOR THE YEAR 1897.

ESTIMATES FOR SUPPLYING THE CITY Government with Printed Indexes to the Records of Births, Marriages and Deaths kept by the Health Department and to compile and bind them in monthly and annual volumes, will be received at the office of the Supervisor of the City Record, in the City Hall, until 12 o'clock M. of Tuesday, the 22d day of December, 1896.

The said estimates will be publicly opened and read at a meeting of the Board of City Record, to be held in the Mayor's Office at or about the time above-mentioned.

Each person making an estimate shall inclose it in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Estimate for Printing and Binding the Indexes to Health Records," and with his name and the date of its presentation.

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

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

The amount of security required upon the execution of the contract will be in each case fifty per cent. of the cost of the articles awarded: the amount of preliminary security to be given until the award is made, and in which the sureties shall justify, shall be Three Hundred and Seventy-five Dollars.

Should the person to whom the contract may be awarded neglect or refuse to accept the contract within five days after written notice that the same has been awarded to his bid or proposal, and that the adequacy

and sufficiency of the security offered has been approved by the Comptroller, or if he accept but do not execute the contract and give the proper security, he shall be considered as having abandoned it and as in default to the Corporation, and the contract will be readvertised and relet, as provided by law.

No estimates 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 a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation, and no estimates will be accepted from, or a contract awarded to, any person not having at the time of making his estimate full, suitable and sufficient facilities for performing the work specified in his estimate.

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

Permission will not be given for the withdrawal of any bid or estimate, and the right is expressly reserved by the undersigned City officers to reject any or all bids which may be deemed prejudicial to the public interests.

Copies of the specifications may be seen at the office of the Commissioner of Public Works, and may be procured from the Supervisor of the City Record, at No. 2 City Hall, where samples of the work may also be seen.

WILLIAM L. STRONG, Mayor; FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation; CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Acting Commissioner of Public Works.
 JOHN A. SLEICHER, Supervisor of the City Record.

SUPREME COURT.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Education, by the Counsel to the Corporation of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to certain lands on the northerly side of NINETY-THIRD STREET and the westerly side of AMSTERDAM AVENUE, in the Twelfth Ward of said city, duly selected and approved by said Board as a site for school purposes, under and in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, as amended by chapter 35 of the Laws of 1890.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMISSIONERS of Estimate in the above-entitled matter, appointed pursuant to the provisions of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, as amended by chapter 35 of the Laws of 1890, hereby give notice to the owner or owners, lessee or lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises, title to which is sought to be acquired in this proceeding, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First—That we have completed our estimate of the loss and damage to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons interested in the lands or premises affected by this proceeding, or having any interest therein, and have filed a true report or transcript of such estimate in the office of the Board of Education for the inspection of whomsoever it may concern.

Second—That all parties or persons whose rights may be affected by the said estimate, and who may object to the same, or any part thereof, may, within ten days after the first publication of this notice, December 19, 1896, file their objections to such estimate, in writing, with us, at our office, Room No. 2, on the fourth floor of the Staats-Zeitung Building, No. 2 Tryon Row, in said city, as provided by section 4 of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, as amended by chapter 35 of the Laws of 1890; and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting, at our said office, on the 4th day of January, 1897, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, and upon such subsequent days as may be found necessary.

Third—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 Part III, in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 10th day of January, 1897, 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, December 18, 1896.
 WILLIAM H. LAW, BENJAMIN OPPENHEIMER, JOHN W. D. DOBLER, Commissioners.
 THOMAS J. SANDFORD, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Education, by the Counsel to the Corporation of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to certain lands on the southerly side of BROOME STREET, between Clinton and Suffolk streets, in the Thirteenth Ward of said city, duly selected and approved by said Board as a site for school purposes, under and in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, as amended by chapter 35 of the Laws of 1890 and chapter 890 of the Laws of 1896.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMISSIONERS of Estimate in the above-entitled matter, appointed pursuant to the provisions of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, as amended by chapter 35 of the Laws of 1890 and chapter 890 of the Laws of 1896, hereby give notice to the owner or owners, lessee or lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises, title to which is sought to be acquired in this proceeding, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First—That we have completed our estimate of the loss and damage to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons interested in the lands or premises affected by this proceeding, or having any interest therein, and have filed a true report or transcript of such estimate in the office of the Board of Education for the inspection of whomsoever it may concern.

Second—That all parties or persons whose rights may be affected by the said estimate, and who may object to the same, or any part thereof, may, within ten days after the first publication of this notice, December 19, 1896, file their objections to such estimate, in writing, with us, at our office, Room No. 2, on the fourth floor of the Staats-Zeitung Building, No. 2 Tryon Row, in said city, as provided by section 4 of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, as amended by chapter 35 of the Laws of 1890 and chapter 890 of the Laws of 1896; and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting, at our said office, on the 5th day of January, 1897, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and upon such subsequent days as may be found necessary.

Third—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 Part III, in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 18th day of January, 1897, 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, December 18, 1896.
 BENJAMIN OPPENHEIMER, BENJAMIN BARKER, JR., JOHN W. D. DOBLER, Commissioners.
 FRANCIS E. V. DUNN, Clerk.

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

ments required for the purpose of opening EAST ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-EIGHTH STREET, formerly Mechanic street (although not yet named by proper authority), from the Southern Boulevard to Boston road, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 14th day of October, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 14th day of November, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 28th day of December, 1896, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, December 3, 1896.
 FIELDING L. MARSHALL, A. P. W. KINNAN, FRANCIS J. THOMSON, Commissioners.
 HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Clerk.

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 14th day of October, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 14th day of November, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 28th day of December, 1896, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, December 3, 1896.
 WILLIS FOWLER, WILLIAM M. LAWRENCE, JOHN LERCH, Commissioners.
 HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Clerk.

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 27th day of October, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 14th day of November, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened

or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 28th day of December, 1896, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, December 3, 1896.
MORRIS JACOBY, JOHN HUNTER SEDGWICK, LAWRENCE GODKIN, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening ARTHUR AVENUE (although not yet named by proper authority), from Tremont avenue to Pelham avenue, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 14th day of October, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 14th day of November, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 28th day of December, 1896, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 28th day of December, 1896, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, December 3, 1896.
SAMUEL H. ORDWAY, WILLIAM M. LAWRENCE, JOHN J. QUINLAN, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening DATER STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from the Port Morris Branch of the New York and Harlem Railroad to the Southern Boulevard, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 14th day of October, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 14th day of November, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 7th day of January, 1897, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, December 12, 1896.
SAMUEL H. ORDWAY, MARK M. SCHLESINGER, BENJ. COLLINS, Commissioners.
HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Clerk.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 28th day of December, 1896, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, December 3, 1896.
THEODORE T. BAYLOR, J. HENRY HAGGERTY, SERENO D. BONFILS, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 14th day of October, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 14th day of November, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 28th day of December, 1896, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, December 3, 1896.
WILLIAM A. McQUIDD, WILLIAM M. LAWRENCE, DENNIS McEVAY, Commissioners.
HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Clerk.

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 23d day of November, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 23d day of December, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 7th day of January, 1897, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, December 12, 1896.
SAMUEL H. ORDWAY, MARK M. SCHLESINGER, BENJ. COLLINS, Commissioners.
HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Clerk.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 7th day of January, 1897, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, December 12, 1896.
SAMUEL H. ORDWAY, MARK M. SCHLESINGER, BENJ. COLLINS, Commissioners.
HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Clerk.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

fifth street, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 27th day of October, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 14th day of November, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 23d day of December, 1896, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, November 30, 1896.
FREDERIC A. TANNER, JOHN T. SIMON, FLOYD M. LORD, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York, for and on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to NELSON AVENUE (although not yet named by proper authority), from Kemp place to Boscobel avenue, in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road by the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York.

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

First—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in this proceeding, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and having objections thereto, do present their said objections, in writing, to us, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in said city, on or before the 7th day of January, 1897, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said 7th day of January, 1897, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days at 2 o'clock p.m.

Second—That the abstract of our said estimate and assessment, together with our damage and benefit maps, and also the affidavits, estimates and other documents used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the Bureau of Street Openings in the Law Department of the City of New York, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in said city, there to remain until the 8th day of January, 1897.

Third—That the limits of our assessment for benefit include all those lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: On the north by the southerly side of Featherbed line; on the south by the middle line of the blocks between Kemp place or East One Hundred and Sixty-fourth street and Jerome avenue, from the westerly side of Woody Crest avenue or Bremer avenue to the easterly side of Ogden avenue; on the east by the westerly sides of Marcher avenue and Woody Crest avenue or Bremer avenue; on the west by the easterly sides of Ogden avenue and Plimpton avenue; excepting from said area all streets, avenues, roads, or portions thereof, heretofore legally opened, as such area is shown upon our benefit map deposited as aforesaid.

Fourth—That our report herein will be presented to a Special Term of the Supreme Court, Part III., of the State of New York, to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 18th day of February, 1897, 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, November 30, 1896.
THOS. J. CREAMER, Chairman, ISAAC FROMME, MATTHEW CHALMERS, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 27th day of October, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 14th day of November, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

or interested in the said respective lands, tenements hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 22d day of December, 1896, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, November 28, 1896.
CHARLES GERLICH, G. THORNTON WARREN, MICHAEL COLEMAN, Commissioners.
HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Clerk.

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 27th day of October, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 14th day of November, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled to or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 28th day of December, 1896, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, December 3, 1896.
FRANCIS D. HUJT, WILLIAM M. LAWRENCE, LAWRENCE GODKIN, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Education, by the Council to the Corporation of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to certain lands on the northerly side of TWENTIETH STREET, between Second and Third avenues, in the Eighteenth Ward of said city, duly selected and approved by said Board as a site for school purposes, under and in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof.

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held in Part I. thereof, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 29th day of December, 1896, at the opening of the Court on that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate in the above-entitled matter.

The nature and extent of the improvement hereby intended is the acquisition of title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to certain lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, on the northerly side of Twentieth street, between Second and Third avenues, in the Eighteenth Ward of said city, in fee simple absolute, the same to be converted, appropriated and used to and for the purposes specified in said chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof, said property having been duly selected and approved by the Board of Education as a site for school purposes under and in pursuance of the provisions of said chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof, being the following described lot, piece or parcel of land, namely:

All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the Eighteenth Ward of the City of New York, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the northerly line of Twentieth street, distant 230 feet easterly from the corner formed by the intersection of the northerly line of Twentieth street with the easterly line of Third avenue; running thence northerly parallel with Third avenue 92 feet to the centre line of the block between Twentieth and Twenty-first streets; thence easterly parallel with Twentieth street and along said centre line of the block 10 feet and 7 inches; thence southerly parallel with Third avenue 92 feet to the northerly line of Twentieth street; thence westerly along said northerly line of Twentieth street 19 feet and 7 inches to the point or place of beginning.

Dated New York, December 3, 1896.
FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation, No. 2 Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Works, for and on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIRST STREET, from Eleventh avenue to the Boulevard, in the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE additional bill of costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter since July 26, 1895, will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, in the First Judicial District, at a Special Term thereof, Part I., to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 29th day of December, 1896, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, and that the said additional bill of costs, charges and expenses has been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York, there to remain for and during the space of ten days, as required by law.

Dated New York, December 12, 1896.
JOHN JEROLMAN, GILBERT M. SPEIR,
WILLIAM M. LAWRENCE, Commissioners.
CARROLL BERRY, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Education, by the Counsel to the Corporation of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to certain lands on the southerly side of HESTER STREET, between Chrystie and Forsyth streets, in the Tenth Ward of said city, duly selected and approved by said Board as a site for school purposes under and in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof.

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held in Part I. thereof, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 29th day of December, 1896, at the opening of the Court on that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate in the above-entitled matter.

The nature and extent of the improvement hereby intended is the acquisition of title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to certain lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, on the southerly side of Hester street, between Chrystie and Forsyth streets, in the Tenth Ward of said city, in fee simple absolute, the same to be converted, appropriated and used to and for the purposes specified in said chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof, said property having been duly selected and approved by the Board of Education as a site for school purposes under and in pursuance of the provisions of said chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof, being the following described lot, piece or parcel of land, namely:

All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the Tenth Ward of the City of New York, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the southerly line of Hester street, distant easterly 100 feet and 4 inches from the corner formed by the intersection of the southerly line of Hester street with the easterly line of Chrystie street, which point is also the intersection of the easterly line of the present site of Grammar School No. 7 with the southerly line of Hester street; running thence southerly nearly parallel with Chrystie street and along the present site of Grammar School No. 7, 51 feet and 3 inches; thence easterly and parallel with Hester street 24 feet and 9 inches; thence northerly nearly parallel with Chrystie street 51 feet and 3 inches to the southerly line of Hester street; thence westerly along said southerly line of Hester street 24 feet and 5 inches to the point or place of beginning.

Dated New York, December 3, 1896.
FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation,
No. 2 Tryon Row, New York City.

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 14th day of October, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 14th day of November, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 22nd day of December, 1896, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, November 28, 1896.
CLARENCE C. FERRIS, J. HENRY HAGGERTY,
JOHN J. NEVILLE, Commissioners.
HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York, for and on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to NINETEEN-FORTH STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from First avenue

to Harlem river, in the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road.

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

First—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in this proceeding, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and having objections thereto, do present their said objections, in writing, to us, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in said city, on or before the 13th day of January, 1897, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said 13th day of January, 1897, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each said ten days at 11 o'clock A. M.

Second—That the abstract of our said estimate and assessment, together with our damage- and benefit maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the Bureau of Street Openings, in the Law Department of the City of New York, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the said city, there to remain until the 14th day of January, 1897.

Third—That the limits of our assessment for benefit include all those lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: On the north by the middle line of the blocks between Ninety-fourth street and Ninety-fifth street, from the easterly side of Fifth avenue to the bulkhead-line of the East river; on the south by the middle line of the blocks between Ninety-third and Ninety-fourth streets, from the easterly side of Fifth avenue to the bulkhead-line of the East river; on the east by the bulkhead-line of the East river, and on the west by the easterly side of Fifth avenue, excepting from said area all streets, avenues, roads, or portions thereof, heretofore legally opened, as such area is shown upon our benefit map deposited as aforesaid.

Fourth—That our report herein will be presented to a Special Term of the Supreme Court, Part III., of the State of New York, to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 23d day of February, 1897, 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, December 4, 1896.
EDWIN T. TALIAFERRO, Chairman; JOHN K. GREEN, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 23d day of November, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 22d day of December, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 4th day of January, 1897, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, December 9, 1896.
HENRY B. STAPLER, WILLIAM M. LAWRENCE, JOHN MURPHY, Commissioners.
HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening POTTER PLACE (although not yet named by proper authority), from Jerome avenue to Moshulu parkway, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 23d day of November, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 22d day of December, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 4th day of January, 1897, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, December 9, 1896.
QUINCY WARD BOESE, JAMES J. MARTIN,
GEO. DRAKE SMITH, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 23d day of November, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 22d day of December, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 22d day of January, 1897, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, December 8, 1896.
GEORGE C. AUSTIN, PETER F. MEYER, WM. J. BROWNE, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 23d day of November, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 22d day of December, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 6th day of January, 1897, at 2

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

Dated New York, December 11, 1896.
RIGUAL D. WOODWARD, HENRY A. GUMBLETON, VICTOR J. DOWLING, Commissioners.
HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Education, by the Counsel to the Corporation of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to certain lands on the northerly side of ONE HUNDRED AND NINETEENTH STREET and the southerly side of ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTIEH STREET, between Second and Third avenues, in the Twelfth Ward of said city, duly selected and approved by said Board as a site for school purposes under and in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888 and the various statutes amendatory thereof.

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held in Part I. thereof, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 29th day of December, 1896, at the opening of the Court on that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate in the above-entitled matter.

The nature and extent of the improvement hereby intended is the acquisition of title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to certain lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, on the northerly side of One Hundred and Nineteenth street and the southerly side of One Hundred and Twentieth street, between Second and Third avenues, in the Twelfth Ward of said city, in fee simple absolute, the same to be converted, appropriated and used to and for the purposes specified in said chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof, said property having been duly selected and approved by the Board of Education as a site for school purposes under and in pursuance of the provisions of said chapter 191 of the Laws of 1888, and the various statutes amendatory thereof, being the following described lots, pieces or parcels of land, namely:

All those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the southerly line of One Hundred and Twentieth street distant westerly 110 feet from the corner formed by the intersection of the westerly line of Second avenue with the southerly line of One Hundred and Twentieth street; running thence southerly and parallel with Second avenue 100 feet and 11 inches to the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Nineteenth and One Hundred and Twentieth streets; thence westerly along said centre line of the block 8 feet and 4 inches; thence again southerly and parallel with Second avenue and part of the distance through a party wall 100 feet and 11 inches to the northerly line of One Hundred and Nineteenth street; thence westerly along said northerly line of One Hundred and Nineteenth street 151 feet and 8 inches; thence northerly and parallel with Second avenue and part of the distance through a party wall 100 feet and 11 inches to the centre line of the block; thence easterly along said centre line of the block 10 feet; thence again northerly and parallel with Second avenue and part of the distance through a party wall 100 feet and 11 inches to the southerly line of One Hundred and Twentieth street; thence easterly along said southerly line of One Hundred and Twentieth street 150 feet to the point or place of beginning.

Dated New York, December 3, 1896.
FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation,
No. 2 Tryon Row, New York City.

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 27th day of October, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 14th day of November, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 28th day of December, 1896, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, December 3, 1896.
AUGUST H. DIEHL, J. ASPINWALL HODGE, JR., MICHAEL COLEMAN, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

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