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FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Report for the Quarter ending March 31, 1881.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
OFFICE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS,
NEW YORK, June 27, 1881.

To his Honor WILLIAM R. GRACE, Mayor :

SIR—In conformity with the provisions of section 27 of chapter 335 of the Laws of 1873, we have the honor to submit herewith the report of the operations and actions of this Department for the three months ending with the 31st day of March.

Fires.	
Number communicated by telegraph.....	281
“ “ other means	220
Total	501

In buildings—	
Confined to buildings in which originated.....	480
Extended to other buildings.....	5
On vessels.....	485
In woods, streets, and places other than buildings.....	9
Total.....	7
Total.....	501

Discovered by	
Firemen.....	64
Policemen.....	136
Citizens and others.....	301
Total.....	501

Extent of Damage to Structures.	
Slight.....	475
Considerable.....	18
Totally destroyed.....	2

How Extinguished.	
By fire extinguishers, buckets of water, etc.....	331
By one engine stream.....	84
By two or three engine streams.....	58
By more than three engine streams.....	28
Total.....	501

Estimated Loss and Insurance.	
On structures, etc.....	Loss. \$207,345 00 Insurance. \$3,448,550 00
On stock.....	752,511 00 3,909,946 00
Total.....	\$959,856 00 \$7,358,496 00

Uninsured Loss.	
On structures, etc.....	\$41,105 00
On stock.....	14,980 00
Total.....	\$56,085 00

The loss was less than \$100 at.....	
“ between \$100 and \$1,000 at.....	332 fires.
“ “ 1,000 “ 5,000 at.....	93 “
“ “ 5,000 “ 10,000 at.....	42 “
“ “ 10,000 “ 20,000 at.....	13 “
“ “ 20,000 “ 30,000 at.....	10 “
“ “ 30,000 “ 40,000 at.....	3 “
“ “ 40,000 “ 50,000 at.....	3 “
“ “ 50,000 “ 60,000 at.....	2 “
“ “ 60,000 “ 70,000 at.....	1 “
“ “ 70,000 “ 80,000 at.....	1 “
The loss was \$188,202 (365 and 367 Broadway) at.....	1 “
Total.....	501 fires.

Cause and Origin of Fires.	
Alcohol lamp, igniting of.....	1
Bursting of water-back of range.....	2
Carelessness of occupants or employees.....	127
Children playing with matches or fire.....	21
Clothing coming in contact with stove.....	4
Defective arrangement of furnace.....	4
Defective chimneys and flues.....	19
Defective construction of building beams.....	7
Defective grates and fire-places.....	7
Defective heater-pipes.....	1
Escaped gas igniting.....	15
Explosion of gas.....	2
Fat, oil, tar, varnish, etc., upsetting and boiling over.....	10
Friction of machinery.....	2
Foul chimneys.....	39
Gas-meter exploding.....	1
Gas-stove igniting flooring.....	1
Hams falling in fire.....	1
Heat from grates, stove-pipes, boilers, furnaces, and steam-pipes.....	25
Hot coals falling from stoves and grates.....	7
Incendiary.....	4
Kerosene oil lamps upsetting and exploding.....	33
Kerosene oil stove, oil igniting.....	1

Lime in calcium light taking fire.....	1
Not ascertained.....	43
Oil in vat, used for tempering car springs, igniting.....	1
Overheated stoves and furnaces.....	16
Phosphorus igniting.....	1
Rekindling of previous fires.....	2
Rubbish accidentally igniting.....	2
Slaking of lime.....	3
Sparks from chimneys, forges, furnaces, stoves, locomotives, etc.....	27
Sparks from telegraph-wires (supposed).....	1
Sparks produced by striking hook against iron hoop of bale of cotton.....	1
Soot in chimney falling and igniting woodwork.....	21
Spontaneous combustion of oily material and rubbish.....	9
Stove upsetting.....	5
Set on fire by vagrants.....	2
Vapor of alcohol, chemicals, etc., igniting.....	7
Window-curtains, goods in windows, woodwork, etc., taking fire from gas-jets, candles, etc.....	25

Total..... 501

Operations under the Law Regulating the Storage of Combustibles, etc.

Cash received for kerosene oil licenses, at \$10.....	\$3,490 00
“ “ gunpowder licenses at \$2.....	4 00
“ “ special permits, at \$2.....	58 00
“ “ fireworks permit (wholesale) at \$2.....	2 00
“ “ kindling fire in street permits, at 50 cents.....	13 00
Cash received for penalties, viz.:	
Selling kerosene oil below test, at \$50.....	350 00
Chimney fires, at \$5.....	80 00
Cash received for proceeds sale glukodine.....	20 00
Total.....	\$4,017 00

Complaints of violation of law pending at last report.....	295
“ received during the quarter.....	435
Total.....	730

NATURE OF COMPLAINT, VIOLATION, ETC.	No. of Complaints.	DISPOSITION.						PENDING.	
		Complied on Notice.	Unfounded.	Penalties Collected.	Penalties Remitted.	Recommended for Prosecution.	Discontinued.	In Law Department.	In Bureau.
Selling kerosene oil below test.....	36	..	..	7	4	4	..	12	9
Selling kerosene oil without license.....	186	..	..	..	..	59	12	115	..
Chimney fires.....	112	..	..	16	48	11	..	19	18
Fire-hydrants obstructed.....	231	226	..	..	..	2	..	2	1
Dangerous chimneys and flues.....	33	26	4	..	..	..	..	..	3
Defective or dangerous deposits of ashes.....	11	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Gas-lights insufficiently protected.....	9	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Hoistways found open at fires.....	17	..	..	..	4	..	..	2	11
Combustible material in excessive quantity.....	90	31	2	..	..	11	..	6	40
Inadequate appliances for extinguishing fires.....	4	4	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Powder improperly stored, etc.....	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total.....	730	300	6	23	56	88	12	156	89

Special surveys of buildings made to determine their fitness for storage of combustible and explosive material.....	25
Number of samples of kerosene oil collected and tested.....	2,497

Operations of the Bureau of Inspection of Buildings.

PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR NEW BUILDINGS.

CLASSIFICATION.	Pending December 31.	Received since.	Total.	Approved.	Amended and Approved.	Disapproved.	Pending.	Total.	Estimated Cost of Buildings.
Dwelling-houses, estimated cost over \$50,000.....	2	3	5	5	..	..	..	5	\$178,000 00
Dwelling-houses, estimated cost between \$20,000 and \$50,000.....	1	45	46	34	12	..	..	46	954,500 00
Dwelling-houses, estimated cost less than \$20,000.....	..	146	146	113	32	..	1	146	1,431,750 00
Flats, estimated cost over \$15,000.....	2	55	57	35	16	2	4	57	1,346,000 00
Tenement houses, estimated cost less than \$15,000.....	8	244	252	214	29	..	9	252	2,770,600 00
Hotels.....	..	2	2	2	..	..	..	2	30,700 00
Stores, estimated cost over \$30,000.....	..	4	4	..	1	..	3	4	230,000 00
Stores, estimated cost between \$15,000 and \$30,000.....	..	6	6	2	3	1	..	6	121,000 00
Stores, estimated cost less than \$15,000.....	..	8	8	7	..	..	1	8	30,600 00
Office buildings.....	..	6	6	4	1	..	1	6	88,600 00
Manufactories and workshops.....	..	33	33	22	9	1	1	33	505,350 00
School-houses.....	..	3	3	2	1	..	..	3	54,000 00
Theatres, concert halls, asylums, etc.....	..	2	2	2	..	..	..	2	48,000 00
Public buildings.....	..	4	4	4	..	..	..	4	70,000 00
Stables.....	..	22	22	15	6	1	..	22	111,415 00
Frame dwellings in Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.....	..	22	22	20	1	1	..	22	37,600 00
Other frame structures.....	1	4	5	4	..	..	1	5	79,000 00
Total.....	14	609	623	485	111	6	21	623	\$8,087,115 00

PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR ALTERATIONS TO BUILDINGS.

CLASSIFICATION.	Pending December 31.	Received since.	Total.	Approved.	Amended and Approved.	Disapproved.	Pending.	Total.	Estimated Cost.
Dwelling-houses	101	101	80	7	1	13	101	\$235,705 00	
Flats.....	6	6	1	3	..	2	6	33,000 00	
Tenement houses.....	82	82	57	14	5	6	82	153,830 00	
Hotels	20	20	11	4	2	3	20	113,100 00	
Stores	1	40	41	35	3	3	41	104,725 00	
Office buildings	23	23	16	4	1	2	23	205,447 00	
Manufactories and workshops.....	1	60	61	32	16	7	61	109,717 00	
School-houses.....	1	1	1	..	..	..	1	.....
Public buildings.....	9	9	6	2	..	1	9	123,350 00	
Stables	7	7	6	..	..	1	7	4,700 00
Frame buildings.....	1	60	61	47	9	3	61	49,960 00	
Total.....	3	409	412	292	62	22	36	\$1,133,534 00	
Special applications for erection of small frame structures, etc.....	6	132	138	85	..	43	138	.....

VIOLATIONS OF LAW AND UNSAFE BUILDINGS.

NATURE OF CASE.	Pending December 31.	Received since.	Total.	Removed.	Pending.
Altering without permit.....	10	6	16	7	9
Bad mortar, brick, etc.....	4	1	5	3	2
Beams too near flues.....	5	..	5	3	2
Chimneys cut off and not properly supported.....	2	..	2	1	1
Defective leaders.....	2	1	3	2	1
Excavation not guarded.....	..	1	1	..	1
Fire-escape brackets not built in wall.....	1	..	1	..	1
Floor beams cut off and supported on wooden girder.....	1	1	2	..	2
Floor beams of insufficient size.....	..	1	1	1	..
Flues not properly built.....	1	..	1	..	1
Frame structures erected or removed without permit.....	86	27	113	37	76
Front iron shutters not opening from outside.....	50	7	57	42	15
Front walls not started.....	3	6	9	7	2
Furnaces built on floors.....	..	4	4	4	..
Granite blocks of insufficient thickness.....	1	..	1	..	1
Headers not hung in stirrup irons.....	1	..	1	..	1
Hoistway openings not guarded.....	12	4	16	8	8
Improper construction.....	1	3	4	1	3
Insufficient means of escape.....	398	319	717	332	385
Insufficient supports.....	..	1	1	..	1
Iron lintels and girders not tested.....	1	..	1	..	1
Iron posts of insufficient size.....	..	1	1	1	..
No iron shutters.....	296	8	304	11	293
Piles not driven below water-line.....	..	1	1	..	1
Plans disapproved and building notwithstanding.....	1	6	7	6	1
Plans not submitted.....	1	2	3	1	2
Rear wall supported on wooden girder.....	1	..	1	..	1
Skylight not fireproof.....	..	1	1	..	1
Space between lathing and wall not filled with plaster.....	..	2	2	1	1
Stovepipe too near ceiling.....	..	1	1	..	1
Starting walls on bad bottom.....	..	1	1	..	1
Unsafe buildings.....	111	98	209	92	117
Walls not coped.....	1	2	3	2	1
Walls of insufficient thickness.....	14	11	25	9	16
Weight that floors will sustain, not posted.....	..	1	1	1	..
Wooden cornice.....	1	..	1	1	..
Total.....	1,005	517	1,522	573	949

COMPLAINTS RECEIVED AND INVESTIGATED.

	Pending December 31.	Received since.	Total.	Unfounded.	Remedied on Verbal Notice.	Notices to be Issued.	Total.	Pending.
Insufficient means of escape, etc.....	346	1,143	1,489	375	61	239	675	814
Unsafe buildings.....	21	183	204	73	29	45	147	57
Frame structures erected without permit.....	2	32	34	15	2	14	31	3
Hoistway openings not guarded.....	7	4	11	1	2	3	6	5
Altering, etc., without permit.....	..	9	9	6	..	2	8	1
Using bad mortar and material.....	..	1	1	1	..	..	1	..
No iron shutters.....	..	1	1	..	..	1	1	..

	Pending December 31.	Received since.	Total.	Unfounded.	Remedied on Verbal Notice.	Notices to be Issued.	Total.	Pending.
Defective flues.....	4	30	34	16	13	1	30	4
Defective leaders.....	..	1	1	..	1	..	1	..
Woodwork too near flues and furnace.....	1	2	3	..	2	1	3	..
Front iron shutters not opening from outside..	25	3	28	..	2	..	2	26
Walls of insufficient thickness.....	..	3	3	1	..	2	3	..
Total.....	406	1,412	1,818	488	112	308	908	910

Attorney to the Department.

The following is a record of the number of suits and proceedings received and disposed of during the quarter:

Pending December 31, 1880.....	175
Received (originating in Bureau of Inspector of Combustibles).....	67
“ “ “ “ Inspection of Buildings).....	189
“ “ “ “ other parts of the Department).....	8

Total..... 439

Of which have been disposed of.....	233
Still pending.....	206
Total.....	439

Telegraphic Calls and Alarms Received at and Transmitted from Headquarters.

First alarms from street boxes.....	290
“ bell-towers.....	3
“ Police Headquarters.....	1
“ citizen (verbal).....	1
“ Automatic Signal Telegraph Co.....	7
Second alarms.....	22
Third alarms.....	12
Special calls for companies.....	47
“ distant companies.....	1
“ Chiefs of Battalion.....	1
“ increased water pressure.....	7
“ Insurance Patrol.....	20
“ ambulances.....	18
Total alarms and calls.....	430
Messages received.....	1,310
“ transmitted.....	1,221
Total.....	2,531

Sanitary Condition of the Force.

Number of cases of ordinary illness.....	85
“ “ accidents and injuries.....	61
Total number of cases requiring treatment.....	146
Loss of time resulting from cases of illness.....	1,336 days.
“ “ injury, etc.....	1,392 “
Total.....	2,728 days.
Number of candidates passed.....	24
“ “ rejected.....	35
Total number examined.....	59

The aggregate amount of bills and pay-rolls audited and forwarded to the Comptroller for payment during the quarter is \$267,087.02, of which amount \$33,826.45 was for bills payable from the appropriation of 1880.

For sales of condemned articles and material the sum of \$1,149.77 has been received and deposited with the City Chamberlain.

The subjoined quarterly statements show the condition of the Relief and Life Insurance Funds.

Very respectfully,

CORNELIUS VAN COTT,
VINCENT C. KING,
JOHN J. GORMAN,
Commissioners.

CARL JUSSEN, Secretary.

NEW YORK FIRE DEPARTMENT RELIEF FUND.

Quarterly Statement for Quarter ending March 31, 1881.

Dec. 31, 1880	Balance on hand.....	\$450,072 88
March 31, 1881	Receipts for quarter—	
	From fines.....	\$204 02
	“ penalties.....	350 00
	“ oil licenses.....	3,490 00
	“ fireworks permits.....	2 00
	“ interest.....	1,866 49
	“ powder licenses.....	4 00
	“ special permits.....	58 00
	“ chimney fines.....	80 00
	“ fire in street permits.....	13 00
	“ sale seized combustibles.....	20 00
	Total.....	6,087 51
March 31, 1881	Disbursements for quarter—	
	For pay of retired men.....	99 99
	“ pensions of retired men.....	4,693 45
	“ pensions of widows, etc.....	3,728 33
	Total.....	8,521 77
March 31, 1881	Balance on hand.....	\$447,638 62

NEW YORK, March 31, 1881.

JOHN J. GORMAN, Treasurer.

NEW YORK FIRE DEPARTMENT LIFE INSURANCE FUND.
Quarterly Statement for Quarter ending March 31, 1881.

Dec. 31, 1880	Balance on hand.....		\$9,718 00
March 31, 1881	Receipts for quarter assessments.....	\$2,473 00	
	" interest.....	157 27	2,630 27
	Balance on hand.....		\$12,348 27

NEW YORK, March 31, 1881.

JOHN J. GORMAN, Treasurer.

JULY 9, 1881.

Present—President Cornelius Van Cott, Commissioners Vincent C. King and John J. Gorman.
Tender of resignation of Private James Clancy, of Engine Company No. 29, was accepted, to take effect from 4th instant, and charges of "absence without leave" filed.

Trial.

Private Samuel Parkhill, of Hook and Ladder Company No. 10, charged with "conduct prejudicial to good order." Found guilty and fined ten days' pay.

Private Rudolph Rado, of Engine Company No. 20, charged with "absence without leave;" accused failed to appear; evidence taken. Found guilty and dismissed the service of the Department from 3d instant.

Communications.

From—Eaton, Cole & Burnham Company, offering to repair defective nozzles. Referred to Chief of Battalion in charge of Repair shops with directions.

Shumer & Laing, complaining of manure from quarters of Engine Company No. 27. Reply directed and referred to Chief of Department.

The draft of General Orders No. 11 was read and approved and promulgation ordered.

Bills

audited and transmitted to Comptroller for payment:

For the Current Year—Schedule No. 32.

Byrnes, J., apparatus, supplies, etc.....	\$12 00	Kennedy & Sheehan, apparatus, supplies, etc.....	\$60 00
Carlin, William, ".....	36 00	Kenny, Bernard, apparatus, supplies, etc.,	24 00
Conway, John, ".....	49 52	Lally, John, ".....	9 00
Dean, Jeremiah, ".....	3 00	Lattimore & Dougherty, ".....	27 00
Donohue, T. & M., apparatus, supplies, etc.....	12 00	Lenihan, John, ".....	15 00
Dowd, James, apparatus, supplies, etc.....	27 00	Leyton, John, ".....	12 00
Dunn, John F., apparatus, supplies, etc.....	6 00	Morrison, James, ".....	51 00
Duross, Neil, ".....	3 00	Murry, Patrick, ".....	12 00
Fallon, Owen, ".....	33 00	McAvoy, John, ".....	15 00
Fox, Thomas, ".....	21 00	McKenna, Patrick, ".....	9 00
Gallan, Thomas J., ".....	39 00	McKenna & Mulholland, ".....	9 00
George, John, ".....	9 00	O'Neill, Joseph, ".....	48 00
Gerety, Andrew, ".....	24 00	Roche, James, ".....	9 00
Gogerty, Michael, ".....	21 00	Russel, Thomas, ".....	27 00
Hassler, John A., ".....	15 00	Short, Joseph, ".....	21 00
Hayes, Dennis, ".....	9 00	Walsh, Mathew, ".....	18 00
Hayes, John, ".....	9 00		
			\$694 52

On motion, adjourned.

CARL JUSSEN, Secretary.

JULY 11, 1881.

Present—President Cornelius Van Cott, Commissioners Vincent C. King and John J. Gorman.

Communications.

From—Chief of Battalion in charge Repair Shops—Drawings and specifications for new two-wheeled hose tenders. Filed, with directions to prepare drawings and specifications for four-wheeled tenders.

Inspector of Buildings, returning communication from the Attorney relative to suit of Dominick Williams vs. Fire Commissioners, with diagrams of premises and information as directed; also, from Foreman Hook and Ladder Co. No. 16, giving names of members of his command who assisted in removing building. Referred to Attorney.

Medical Officer—Report of examination of Fireman Dennis Daly, of Engine Co. No. 21, as to his ability to perform duty. Filed.

Transfers

to take effect 13th inst:

- Fireman John Cavanagh, Engine Co. No. 37 to Hook and Ladder Co. No. 16.
- " Andrew Gilmartin, Hook and Ladder Co. No. 10 to Engine Co. No. 29.
- " Charles M. Moore, Hook and Ladder Co. No. 17 to Engine Co. No. 44.
- Private Michael F. Reilly, Hook and Ladder Co. No. 3 to Hook and Ladder Co. No. 7.

On motion, adjourned.

CARL JUSSEN, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

At a meeting of the Board of Docks, held June 15, 1881.

Present—The full Board.

On motion, Commissioner Dimock took the chair.

The minutes of the meeting held the 2d instant, were read and approved.

The following communications were received, read, and,

On motion, laid on the table to await action, as stated, to wit:

From Atlas Steamship Company—In reference to addition to foundations of Pier, new 55, North river, and also as to temporary occupation of Pier, new 43, North river.

From Union Stock Yard and Market Company—Inclosing consent of contractor for building Pier at Fifty-eighth street, North river, to construct runway. Engineer-in-Chief directed to report a proper plan upon which said work can be done.

From Central Railroad Company of New Jersey—For a lease of south half of Pier 14 and bulkhead between Piers 13 and 14, North river. Secretary directed to address a communication to Allan Campbell, Comptroller, calling his attention to the interview had with the Commissioners of this Department some time since in reference to the question of granting a lease of the aforesaid premises, and stating that said railroad company have this day made application for a renewal of their lease for a term of ten years, and requesting him to inform this Board, in writing if the negotiations pending between him and said railroad company have arrived at such a point as will allow this Department to arrange for a lease of the premises applied for without detriment to the interests of the city, involved in the claim against said company.

The following communications were received, read, and,

On motion, placed on file, action being taken where necessary, as stated, to wit:

From Stephen A. Jenks & Co.—For permission to drive piles and repair Pier 14, East river. Secretary stating that on the 14th instant, by direction of the Commissioners, permission had been granted to do the work within the existing lines of the pier. Action approved.

1st. From Edward Dexter—To have repairs made to bulkhead at Thirtieth street, East river.

2d. From Joseph Cooper, lessee—To have repairs made to Pier 60, East river.

3d. From Mutual Benefit Ice Company, lessee—To have repairs made to Piers at Fifteenth and Sixteenth streets, North river. Repairs to the aforesaid premises ordered previously.

From William M. Kingsland and others—As to their title to premises between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth streets, North river.

From William McConkey, Corporation Wharfinger, stating that the casks of bleaching powder heretofore incumbering Piers 3 and 4, East river, had been removed.

From Lawrence & Co. and J. J. White—As to the barge Charles H. Marshall, sunk in slip at Water and Corlear streets, East river. Secretary directed to address a communication to the Commissioners of Pilots, requesting them to take measures for the prompt removal of said barge, as its present condition is dangerous to boats discharging cargo in the vicinity.

From S. L. Merchant—To have a test made of three different brands of Portland cement. Engineer-in-Chief directed to have a test made of said cement, and report quality, etc.

From Drew & Buckle, lessees—Stating that the surface of Pier at Little Twelfth street, North river, is in a dangerous condition. Engineer-in-Chief directed to repair the surface of said pier, to make it safe for use till more extensive repairs can be made.

From Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, with approval of change in lines of Piers, new 49 and new 51, North river.

From Engineer-in-Chief—Reporting that he had suspended Daniel Donovan, Day Watchman, and Henry Roach and John Logue, Acting Watchmen, for neglect of duty. Action approved, and the said watchmen discharged.

A communication was received from the Continental Railway Company, in reference to lengthening and widening Piers 1 to 13, North river, and, being read, was,

On motion, referred to a Committee of the full Board, and the applicants requested to call on the Commissioners in reference to the same.

A communication was received from Thomas W. Wightman, agent, to place a small office on Pier 41, East river, and, being read, was,

On motion, referred to Commissioners Vanderpoel and Laimbeer.

An application was received from John B. Packer, applying for position as Assistant Surveyor, and, being read,

On motion, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That John B. Packer be and hereby is appointed temporary Assistant Surveyor, at the rate of \$100 per month.

Resolved, That Frederick P. Thompson be and hereby is appointed Surveyor, at the rate of \$1,500 per annum.

Commissioner Vanderpoel, reporting that the applicants for building small platform at Pier 22, North river, had called upon him in reference to granting permission for doing the work,

On motion, the application of Stephens and Condit Transportation Company was taken from the table, and placed on file, and the following resolution adopted:

Resolved, That permission be and hereby is granted to the Stephens & Condit Transportation Company, lessee of south half of Pier 22, and adjoining bulkhead, North river, to drive piles and erect a triangular platform at the intersection of said pier and bulkhead, to extend thirty feet in length along the bulkhead, and thirty feet along the pier. Said platform to be erected under the supervision of the Engineer-in-Chief of this Department, and to remain during the pleasure of the Board.

Commissioner Laimbeer, to whom was referred the application of the Commissioners of Emigration, to have the pier at Ward's Island, opposite One Hundred and Tenth street, East river, repaired, reported that he had examined into the matter of said application, and would recommend that the Secretary advise said Commissioners, in writing, that this Department would willingly repair the premises occupied by them, if it was at all clear that the expenditure of the proceeds of Dock Bonds for the aforesaid purpose; but if they can submit any evidence that the pier in question belongs to the city, then this Department will at once repair the same.

On motion, the said recommendation was approved and adopted.

Commissioner Laimbeer, to whom was referred the communication of John Butler, Corporation Wharfinger, recommending removal of coal hoppers from Pier at Twenty-third street, East river, reported that said coal hoppers had been removed.

An application was received from J. J. Van Allan, for permission to erect platform and scales for discharging ice, etc., at Pier 43, East river, and, being read, was,

On motion, laid on the table, the Commissioners to visit the premises.

Commissioner Laimbeer, to whom was referred the suspension of Thomas McCarthy, Foreman of dump at Chambers street section, reported that he had examined the subject, and recommended that said Foreman be discharged.

On motion, the recommendation of Commissioner Laimbeer was approved, and said Foreman discharged.

Commissioner Vanderpoel, to whom was referred the communication from the Engineer-in-Chief, as to suspension of Thomas Potter, Watchman, for absence from duty, reported that he had examined into the matter, and recommended that said watchman be suspended for one week.

On motion, the recommendation of Commissioner Vanderpoel was approved, and said watchman suspended.

On motion, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, pursuant to authority vested in them by subdivision 11 of section 6, chapter 574, Laws of 1871, be and are hereby respectfully requested to direct the Comptroller of the City of New York to prepare and issue Dock Bonds of the City of New York, for the amount of \$250,000 (two hundred and fifty thousand dollars) for the uses and purposes of the Department of Docks.

On motion, the Engineer-in-Chief was directed to make temporary repairs to the surface of Pier at Fortieth street, North river.

A communication was received from C. H. Mallory & Co., agreeing to pay additional rent for the proposed widening of Pier 21, East river, leased by them, and, being read,

On motion, the report of the Engineer-in-Chief in reference thereto, was taken from the table and placed on file, and the Engineer-in-Chief directed to prepare form of contract and specifications for doing said work, subject to the approval of the Counsel to the Corporation, as to form, and when completed, the Secretary directed to have a sufficient number of blank forms of proposals printed, and proper advertisements inviting bids for doing said work, inserted in the papers designated by law.

The Board here went into executive session.

A communication was received from the New York, Lake Erie and Western Railroad Company, in reference to rent to be charged for the use of the premises north side of Pier, old 29, North river, and [O. Chanute, Chief Engineer of said company being present, and heard at length in reference to the subject,

On motion, the communication was laid on the table to allow Mr. Chanute to confer further with the President of said company, in reference to the rent for said premises due this Department.

The Auditing Committee presented an audit of thirty-three bills or claims, amounting to the sum of \$76,208.49, and, being read, was,

On motion, accepted and adopted, and the Secretary directed to forward the said bills, together with proper requisitions for the amount, to the Finance Department for payment.

Commissioner Laimbeer presented for adoption the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, The present existing resolutions passed by the Board of Docks in 1880, authorizing the construction of bulkhead or river wall at Chambers, Laight, North Moore, Twenty-third, Twenty-fourth, Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth streets, North river, the same having been commenced and now in course of construction, the dredging and granite having been contracted for, a large portion of the concrete blocks prepared and other portions being done now by the Department forces, and it is hoped will soon be completed; the question now must soon be met, as to whether this, the present mode of constructing such bulkhead or river wall shall be continued, or whether some other suitable plans should be adopted; now, therefore,

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor of the City of New York, as Chairman of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, be and hereby is respectfully requested to appoint a suitable Commission to examine and report to him as to whether in their judgment any change should be made in the present mode of bulkhead or river wall construction, or in the work to be hereafter built.

The above preamble and resolution being duly considered, was,

On motion of Commissioner Laimbeer, laid over.

A communication was received from John G. Dale, agent, Inman Steamship Company (Limited), in reference to execution of lease of Pier, new 36, North river, and, being read, was,

On motion, placed on file.

Commissioner Laimbeer, to whom was referred the application of the Department of Public Charities and Correction to have repairs made to the coal dock on Ward's Island, East river, reported that he had made a personal examination of the premises and found the dock covered with sand to the depth of four feet, and recommended that said Department be informed that when the sand is removed the necessary repairs will be made to the pier.

An application was received from John H. Starin and Twombly & Co., requesting that the east half of Pier 6, East river, now standing in the name of the former, be transferred to the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company, and, being read,

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the consent of this Board be and hereby is given to John H. Starin, to assign to the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company, the lease of the east side of Pier 6 and the adjoining bulkhead, East river, purchased at public sale, held April 15, 1878, and under resolution adopted by this Board, February 12, 1879.

On motion, the following appointments were made, to wit:

William L. McConkey, temporary Wharfinger.

Michael Shea and Michael Farrell, Watchmen.

Charles Brennan, Richard Cunningham, Thomas Kaighin, Samuel Lockwood, John H. Reeves, Dock-builders.

Bernard Fitzgerald, James McKay, Rudolph Couch, Barthly Shannon, George Hallowell, temporary Stonecutters; and

George F. Stark, Patrick J. McCann, James Coburn, as Laborers.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

EUGENE T. LYNCH, Secretary.

At a meeting of the Board of Docks, held June 22, 1881.
 Present—The full Board.
 On motion, Commissioner Dimock took the chair.
 The minutes of the meeting held June 15th, instant, were read and approved.
 An application was received from John G. Dale, agent, lessee of Pier, new 36, North river, for permission to lay rail tracks upon said pier, and, being read,
 On motion, it was
 Resolved, That permission be and is hereby granted to John G. Dale, agent for the Inman Steamship Co. (Limited), lessee of Pier, new 36, N. R., to place and retain thereon and also upon the space recently created by this Department, from the easterly end of said pier across to the westerly line of West street, where it has a width of seventy feet, rail tracks for the purpose of facilitating the transportation to and from said pier, of freight in cars drawn by steam; said tracks to be laid under the direction and supervision of the Engineer-in-Chief of this Department, in such manner as not to interfere with the ordinary use of the pier, to remain thereon only during the pleasure of this Board or its successor; to be removed whenever so ordered by this Department, free of expense to the city; this Department reserving the right to remove said tracks upon the refusal of the said lessee to comply with such demand, but at the cost and expense of said lessee; said tracks to be accessible to all lines of cars carrying freight connecting therewith; it being hereby expressly understood and provided that the said tracks shall, on request, be used by any railroad corporation landing freight in New York City upon precisely equal terms; and the Department expressly reserves the right to order the removal of the said tracks for any violation of the above provisions.
 A communication was received from the Department of Public Works, inclosing copy of chapter 447 of the Laws of 1881, authorizing and directing the construction of an additional free public floating bath in the Fifth Ward of the City of New York, and requesting this Department to fix a suitable location for said bath, and, being read, was,
 On motion, referred to a Committee of the full Board.
 The following communications were received, read, and,
 On motion, laid on the table to await action, as stated, to wit:
 From John H. Starin, assignee—To transfer lease of Pier 1, and bulkhead adjoining, East river.
 From Henderson Brothers, lessees—To have repairs made and dredging done at Pier 46, East river. Repairs to said pier ordered previously, and the Engineer-in-Chief directed to examine and report the dredging required at said pier, to accommodate the vessels using the same.
 From P. White's Sons—To have dredging done on north side of Pier 61, East river. Engineer-in-Chief ordered previously to examine and report the dredging required.
 The following communications were received, read, and,
 On motion, placed on file, action being taken where necessary, as stated, to wit:
 From Department of Public Charities and Correction—To have the Bellevue Hospital Pier at foot of Twenty-seventh street, East river, repaired. Engineer-in-Chief directed to make the necessary repairs to said pier.
 From Board of Commissioners of Pilots—Stating that the sunken barge "C. H. Marshall," at Corlears street, East river, was being removed by the owners.
 From James Fitzpatrick, Corporation Wharfinger—Reporting that the stone upon bulkhead, between Horatio and Gansevoort streets, North river, was removed by the owners.
 From Herman P. Livingston, lessee—As to payment of rent of Pier, old 36, North river, under protest.
 From William R. Grace, Mayor—In reference to resolution of the Board of Aldermen, No. 539, as to leasing of Pier, new 41, North river.
 From Wm. L. McConkey, Acting Corporation Wharfinger—In reference to platform erected by J. J. Van Allan, on Pier 43, East river, for landing ice, etc.
 From Stephen A. Jenks & Co.—For permission to repair the surface of Pier 27, East river. Secretary stating that on the 16th instant, by direction of the Commissioners, permission had been granted to do the work within the existing lines of the pier. Action approved.
 From Frank E. Wise, lessee—To have repairs made to Pier at Seventy-ninth street, East river. Repairs to said pier ordered previously.
 From Daniel Dailey, lessee—To have dirt and refuse removed from bulkhead at Fourteenth street, East river. James S. Coleman, Commissioner of Street Cleaning, notified and requested to have said bulkhead cleaned without delay.
 From J. H. Strickland—Applying for position as Corporation Wharfinger.
 From Hencken & Co., lessees—For permission to extend the bulkhead between Stanton and Houston streets, East river. Application denied, and the applicants requested to call upon the Commissioners in reference to the strip of land about six feet in width covered by the existing bulkhead, which is claimed to be the property of the city.
 From Engineer-in-Chief—As to proposed extension of Pier 39, East river. Application of Peter Charles, lessee, for permission to extend said pier, was taken from the table and placed on file, and the applicant notified that before this Board can grant permission to extend said pier, it will be necessary that the owners thereof make application to this Department for permission to make the improvement.
 From Maurice Meagher—Applying for Inspector of dredging.
 Counsel on behalf of the Continental Railway Company appeared and was heard at length in reference to the application to extend Piers 1 to 13, North river, and was informed that the property in question, with the exception of Piers 12 and 13, was claimed as private property.
 The Committee of the full Board, to whom said application had been referred, recommended that the application of said company be denied.
 On motion, the recommendation was approved.
 A communication was received from Bogert & Morgan in reference to their occupation of Pier, new 37, North river, and, being read,
 On motion, the Secretary was directed to advise that the term of their occupancy of Pier, new 37, North river, will commence from about the 1st to the 15th of July, proximo, and that the Engineer-in-Chief has been directed to examine and report what repairs, if any, are necessary to be made to the premises; and further, that this Department will favorably consider any application for such improvements or changes to be made on Pier, new 37, North river, at their own cost and expense, to fit it for their special use, upon receipt of information in detail as to what they may deem to be necessary for their business.
 On motion, it was
 Resolved, That Bogert & Morgan, agents, be and hereby are permitted to occupy during the pleasure of the Board about fifty feet of the inner end of Pier, old 36, North river, pending its removal for the construction of Pier, new 37, North river, they to pay to this Department such rent for the use of said premises as may be hereafter agreed upon.
 On motion of Commissioner Laimbeer, it was
 Resolved, That the compensation of John G. White, Master Dock-builder, be and hereby is fixed at \$1,800 per annum, from this date.
 On motion, the communication from John G. Dale, agent Inman Steamship Co. (Limited), in reference to execution of lease of Pier, new 36, North river, was taken from file, and the following resolution adopted:
 Resolved, That John G. Dale, agent Inman Steamship Co. (Limited), be and hereby is notified and informed that the date for the commencement of the term of the lease for Pier, new 36, North river, is June 1, 1881, and that all previous resolutions adopted by this Board relative to said date be and hereby are rescinded and annulled.
 On motion, the following appointments were made, to wit:
 John Brennan, Charles Raynor, Henry McShane, Dunning Brown, John Hawkins, Christopher Walsh, James Fitzsimmons, Joseph McMullen, as Dock-builders; Robert Kyles, Engineer on pile driver, and Allen Trip as Inspector.
 On motion, the Board adjourned.

EUGENE T. LYNCH, Secretary.

LAWS OF NEW YORK, 1881.

CHAPTER 361.

AN ACT to amend chapter five hundred and forty-two of the laws of eighteen hundred and eighty, entitled "An Act to provide for raising taxes for the use of the state upon certain corporations, joint-stock companies and associations."

Passed May 25, 1881; three-fifths being present.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Chapter five hundred and forty-two of the laws of eighteen hundred and eighty, entitled "An Act to provide for raising taxes for the use of the state upon certain corporations, joint-stock companies and associations," is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

§ 1. Hereafter it shall be the duty of the president or treasurer of every association, corporation or joint-stock company liable to be taxed on its corporate franchise or business, as provided in section three of this act, to make report in writing to the comptroller, annually, on or before the fifteenth day of November, stating specifically the amount of capital paid in, the date, amount and rate per centum of each and every dividend declared by their respective corporations, joint-stock companies

or associations, during the year ending with the first day of said month. In all cases where any such corporation, joint-stock company or association shall fail to make or declare any dividend upon either its common or preferred stock during the year ending as aforesaid, or in case the dividend or dividends made or declared upon either its common or preferred stock during the year ending as aforesaid, shall amount to less than six per centum upon the par value of the said common or preferred stock, the treasurer and secretary thereof, after being duly sworn or affirmed to do and perform the same with fidelity, according to the best of their knowledge and belief, shall, between the first and fifteenth days of November, in each year, in which no dividend has been made or declared as aforesaid, or in which the dividend or dividends made or declared upon either its common or preferred stock amounted to less than six per centum upon the par value of said common or preferred stock, estimate and appraise the capital stock of such company upon which no dividend has been made or declared, or upon the par value of which the dividend or dividends made or declared amounted to less than six per centum, at its actual value in cash, not less, however, than the average price which said stock sold for during said year; and when the same shall have been so truly estimated and appraised, they shall forthwith forward to the comptroller a certificate thereof, accompanied by a copy of their said oath or affirmation, by them signed, and attested by the magistrate or other person qualified to administer the same; provided, that if the comptroller is not satisfied with the valuation so made and returned, he is hereby authorized and empowered to make a valuation thereof and to settle an account upon the valuation so made by him for the taxes, penalties and interest due the state thereon; and any association, corporation or joint-stock company dissatisfied with the account so settled, may within ten days appeal therefrom to a board consisting of the secretary of state, attorney-general and state treasurer, which board, on such appeal, shall affirm or correct the account so settled by the comptroller, and the decision of said board shall be final; but such appeal shall not stay proceedings unless the full amount of the taxes, penalties and interest as due on said account, as settled by the comptroller, be deposited with the state treasurer.

§ 2. If the said officers of any such corporation, joint-stock company or association shall neglect or refuse to furnish the comptroller, on or before the fifteenth day of November of each and every year, with the report aforesaid, or the certificate of appraisement, and oath or affirmation, as the case may be, as required by the first section of this act, or to pay the tax imposed on such corporation, company or association within fifteen days after the first of January as provided in the fourth section of this act, it shall be the duty of the comptroller of the state to add ten per centum to the tax of said corporation, company or association, for each and every year for which such report or certificate of appraisement and oath or affirmation were not so furnished, or for which such tax shall not have been paid, which percentage shall be assessed and collected with the said tax in the usual manner of assessing and collecting such taxes; provided, that if said officers of any such corporation, joint-stock company or association shall intentionally fail to comply with the provisions of the first or fourth section of this act for one year, the comptroller shall report the fact to the governor, who, if he shall be made satisfied that such failure was intentional, shall thereupon direct the attorney-general to take proceedings, in the name of the people of this state, to declare the charter or privileges of said corporation, joint-stock company or association forfeited, and at an end; and for such intentional failure duly found, the charter and privileges of every such corporation, company or association shall cease, end, and be determined.

§ 3. Every corporation, joint-stock company or association whatever, now or hereafter incorporated or organized under any law of this state, or now or hereafter incorporated or organized by or under the laws of any other state or country and doing business in this state, except savings banks, and institutions for savings, life insurance companies, banks and foreign insurance companies, and manufacturing corporations carrying on manufacture within this state, which exception shall not be taken to include gas companies or trust companies, shall be subject to and pay a tax, as a tax upon its corporate franchise or business, into the treasury of the state annually, to be computed as follows: If the dividend or dividends made or declared by such corporation, joint-stock company or association, during any year ending with the first day of November, amount to six or more than six per centum upon the par value of its capital stock, then the tax to be at the rate of one-quarter mill upon the capital stock for each one per centum of dividends so made or declared; or if no dividend be made or declared, or if the dividend or dividends made or declared do not amount to six per centum upon the par value of said capital stock, then the tax to be at the rate of one and one-half mills upon each dollar of a valuation of the said capital stock made in accordance with the provisions of the first section of this act; and in case any such corporation, joint-stock company or association shall have more than one kind of capital stock as, for instance, common and preferred stock, and upon one of said stocks a dividend or dividends amounting to six or more than six per centum upon the par value thereof has been made or declared, and upon the other no dividend has been made or declared, or the dividend or dividends made or declared thereon amount to less than six per centum upon the par value thereof, then the tax shall be at the rate of one-quarter mill for each one per centum of dividend made or declared upon the capital stock, upon the par value of which the dividend or dividends made or declared amount to six or more than six per centum, and in addition thereto, tax shall be charged at the rate of one and one-half mills upon each dollar of a valuation, made also in accordance with the provisions of this act, of the capital stock upon which no dividend was made or declared, or upon the par value of which the dividend or dividends made or declared did not amount to six per centum.

§ 4. It shall be the duty of the treasurer or other officer having charge of any corporation, joint-stock company or association, upon which a tax is imposed by either of the preceding sections of this act, to transmit the amount of said tax to the treasury of the state within fifteen days after the first day of January in each and every year.

§ 5. Hereafter it shall be the duty of the president, secretary, or other proper officer of every insurance company and every association organized or incorporated by or under any law of this state, and of every person or partnership doing an insurance business in this state (except life insurance companies, and purely mutual beneficial associations, whose fund for the benefit of members, their families, or heirs, is made up entirely of contributions of their members, and the accumulated interest thereon), to make report in writing to the comptroller annually upon the first day of August in each year, after the first day of August, eighteen hundred and eighty-one, setting forth the entire amount of premiums received on business done in this state by such company or association, person or partnership during the year ending with the preceding thirtieth day of June, whether the said premiums were in money or in the form of notes, credits, or any other substitute for money, and every such company, association, person, or partnership, shall pay into the state treasury, at the date aforesaid, a tax, as a tax on its corporate franchise or business, at the rate of eight-tenths of one per centum upon the gross amount of said premiums. And every company or association organized under the laws of any other state or country, and every person or partnership doing an insurance business in this state, except as aforesaid, shall pay into the treasury on the first day of August in each year a tax at the rate of eight-tenths of one per centum on their gross premiums received by them on business transacted in this state during the year ending with the preceding thirtieth day of June, whether the said premiums were in money or in the form of notes, credits, or any other substitute for money. And every such company, association, person, partnership, or the agents and officers thereof in this state, shall make report in writing to the comptroller annually upon the first day of August in each year, setting forth the entire amount of premiums received during the period aforesaid. Provided, that the reports above required shall be made under oath or affirmation, and that it shall be the duty of the comptroller of the state to add ten per centum to the account of any company, association, person, or partnership, which shall neglect or refuse for a period of thirty days to make the said report, or to pay into the state treasury the tax imposed by this section. And it shall also be the duty of the president, secretary, or other proper officer of each and every insurance company, association, partnership, and of every person liable to be taxed under this section, to make a report in writing to the comptroller on the first day of August, eighteen hundred and eighty-one, under oath or affirmation, of the entire amount of premiums received on business done in this state during the six months ending with the preceding thirtieth day of June, and to pay a tax at the rate of eight-tenths of one per centum thereon. And it shall be the duty of the comptroller of the state to add ten per centum to the account of any company, association, person, or partnership, which shall neglect or refuse for a period of thirty days to make the said report, or to pay into the state treasury the tax imposed.

§ 6. In addition to the taxes above provided for, every corporation formed for railroad, canal, steamboat, ferry, express, navigation, or transportation purposes, and every elevated railway company, and every other corporation, joint-stock company or association now or hereafter incorporated or organized by or under any law of this state, or now or hereafter incorporated or organized by or under the laws of any other state or country and doing business in this state, and owning, operating, or leasing to or from another corporation, joint-stock company or association, any railroad, canal, steamboat, ferry, express, navigation, pipe line or transportation route or line, or elevated railway, or other device for the transportation of freight or passengers, or in any way engaged in the business of transporting freights or passengers, and every telegraph company or telephone company incorporated under the laws of this or any other state, and doing business in this state, and every express company or association, palace car or sleeping car company or association incorporated or unincorporated, doing business in this state, shall pay to the state treasurer for the use of the state, as a tax upon its corporate franchise or business in this state, a tax, at the rate of five-tenths of one per centum upon the gross earnings in this state of said corporation or company or association, for tolls, transportation, telegraph, telephone or express business transacted in this state.

§ 7. The tax imposed under section six of this act shall, after the first day of August, eighteen hundred and eighty-one be paid annually on the first day of August of each year. It shall be the duty of the president, secretary, or other proper officer of the corporations, joint-stock companies or associations referred to in section six of this act to transmit to the comptroller, on the first day of August in each year, a statement under oath or affirmation of the amount of the gross earnings of the said associations, corporations, or joint-stock companies derived from all sources during the

year ending with the preceding thirtieth day of June, together with the amount of tax imposed thereon by section six. And it shall also be the duty of the president, secretary, or other proper officer of the corporations, joint-stock companies or associations referred to in section six of this act, to transmit to the comptroller on the first day of August, eighteen hundred and eighty-one, a statement under oath or affirmation of the amount of the gross earnings of the said associations, corporations, or joint-stock companies derived from all sources during the six months ending with the thirtieth day of June, eighteen hundred and eighty-one, together with the tax imposed thereon by section six of this act. And if any such corporation, joint-stock company or association shall neglect or refuse, for a period of thirty days after any tax imposed by sections six or seven of this act becomes due, to make returns or to pay the same, the amount thereof, with the addition of ten per centum thereto, shall be collected for the use of the state as other taxes are recoverable by law from such corporation, joint-stock company or association.

§ 8. The corporations, joint-stock companies and associations mentioned in this act as taxable shall hereafter be exempt from assessment and taxation for state purposes, except upon their real estate and as herein provided; but they shall in all other respects be liable to assessment and taxation as heretofore.

§ 9. The taxes imposed by this act, and the revenue derived therefrom, shall be applicable to the payment of the ordinary and current expenses of the state, and if any corporation, joint-stock company, person, partnership or association shall neglect or refuse to pay any tax by this act required to be paid, the same may be sued for in the name of the people of the state, and recovered in any court of competent jurisdiction, in an action to be brought by the attorney-general at the instance of the comptroller.

§ 10. All obligations, liabilities and taxes heretofore incurred or imposed under said act, chapter five hundred and forty-two of the laws of eighteen hundred and eighty, are saved, and shall be enforced as if the said act had not been hereby amended.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

CHAPTER 386.

AN ACT to amend chapter two hundred and thirty-four of the laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-six, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the German Hospital in the city of New York,'" passed April thirteen, eighteen hundred and sixty-one.

Passed May 27, 1881; three-fifths being present.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section four of chapter two hundred and thirty-four of the laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-six, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the German Hospital in the city of New York,'" passed April thirteen, eighteen hundred and sixty-one," is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

§ 4. The board of trustees of said hospital and dispensary shall consist of twenty-one members, of whom eighteen shall be elected as hereinafter provided for, and the other three shall be physicians and shall be annually appointed by the college of physicians. Until the first annual election be held, as aforesaid, the following named persons shall be trustees of the said corporation and constitute the first board of trustees as aforesaid, to wit: August Belmont, Hugo Wesendonck, Philip Bissinger, Emil Sauer, Theodore Dryer, August Weismaan, E. F. Lieber, Fr. Schack, Frederick Knapp, William Heye Eugene S. Ballin, Charles Koehler, Charles Althof, C. Godfrey Gunther, Gustav Schwab, Willy Wallach, H. Barnstorf and Charles Unger. In case either or any of the above-named persons shall decline to serve or prove ineligible the vacancy or vacancies may be filled by the remaining trustees. The board of trustees shall immediately after the incorporation of the hospital divide itself by lot into three equal classes. The term of the first class shall expire at the end of one year from the thirty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six; that of the second at the end of two years from that time; and that of the third at the end of three years from that time, and so on successively in each and every subsequent year. After the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, one-third of the trustees shall be elected annually on a day appointed for this purpose by the by-laws of the corporation, by ballot, by a majority of the votes given at such election, shall hold office for three years, or until their successors are chosen, but any trustee shall be eligible to re-election. The three physicians of the first shall be Drs. Ernst Krackowizer, Herman Althof and Charles Lellmann.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

CHAPTER 388.

AN ACT to amend chapter four hundred and twenty-five of the laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-five, entitled "An act to facilitate the forming of agricultural and horticultural societies."

Passed May 27, 1881.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section six of chapter four hundred and twenty-five of the laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-five, entitled "An act to facilitate the forming of agricultural and horticultural societies," is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

§ 6. There shall be but one county society in any one county in this state; nor shall there be more than one society in any town therein; but any two, or three or four towns may join and organize a society for the same, but the organization of such society by an association of towns shall not be held to prohibit the organization of any town society, or either one of such town societies.

CHAPTER 389.

AN ACT to amend chapter five hundred and sixty-one of the laws of eighteen hundred and eighty, entitled "An act to allow the continued use of a business name or designation in certain cases."

Passed May 27, 1881.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section one of chapter five hundred and sixty-one of the laws of eighteen hundred and eighty, entitled "An act to allow the continued use of a business name or designation in certain cases," is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

§ 1. In case any resident of this state shall die, who, at the time of his death, and for a period of five years or more immediately prior thereto, was conducting and carrying on, in his sole name, any business in this state, or who, at the time of his death, was so conducting and carrying on any business having relation with other states or foreign countries, the right to use the name of said deceased, for the purpose of continuing and carrying on such business, shall survive, and in all cases where the right hereby given is exercised, such right to the use of such name shall form a part of the personal estate of such deceased, and shall pass or be disposed of and accounted for as such, and the right hereby given may be exercised under the provisions of this act in the case of all such persons who have died within five years last past.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

CHAPTER 395.

AN ACT to authorize the Continental Insurance Company of the city of New York to redeem its scrip issues.

Passed May 27, 1881; three-fifths being present.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. The Continental Insurance Company of the city of New York is hereby authorized to redeem any and all of the scrip issued by the said company to its policy-holders, since the first day of January, eighteen hundred and seventy-four; provided, however, that not more than a single year's issue of such scrip shall be redeemed in any one year, and also that any such redemption of said scrip shall be made in the order of its issue commencing with the earliest issue in eighteen hundred and seventy-four.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

CHAPTER 412.

AN ACT to further amend chapter four hundred and two of the laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, entitled "An act to authorize the trustees of incorporated rural cemeteries to impose a tax upon the lot-owners in said cemeteries," as amended by chapter four hundred and eleven of the laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, entitled "An act to further amend chapter four hundred and two of the laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, entitled 'An act to authorize the trustees of incorporated rural cemeteries to impose a tax upon the lot-owners in said cemeteries.'"

Passed May 28, 1881.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section three of chapter four hundred and two of the laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, entitled "An act to authorize the trustees of incorporated rural cemeteries to impose a tax upon the lot-owners in said cemeteries," is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

§ 3. The tax hereby authorized shall be such sum per lot as the trustees shall determine, but shall not exceed the sum of one dollar a lot in any one year, and the tax so levied shall be collected by the school district collector in which the cemetery is situated, and paid over to the treasurer of said cemetery. In case the said school collector shall neglect or refuse to collect such tax, a majority of the trustees of such cemetery may appoint some suitable and proper person, a resident of said school district, who shall give his bond as is now required by law for a collector of school taxes, and whose term of office shall be for one year, to collect such tax, or any uncollected portion thereof, and may by warrant under the hands of the secretary and president of such cemetery association authorize such person duly appointed to collect the same, in the same manner and with the same powers as are given to school collectors in the collection of school taxes. Such appointed collector shall receive as his compensation the same fees as are now by law allowed to school collectors in the collection of school taxes, and shall be subject to the same liability in case of neglect or misconduct.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

CHAPTER 414.

AN ACT permitting the verification of pleadings in the justice's court.

Passed May 28, 1881.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. In any action brought in any of the justices' courts of this state arising on contract for the recovery of money only, or on an account, the plaintiff or his agent, at or before the time of the issuing of the summons, may make a written complaint stating in a plain, concise manner the facts constituting the cause of action, specifying therein the amount actually due from the defendant to the plaintiff in said action, and praying judgment against the said defendant for the amount so claimed to be due to him, which said complaint shall be subscribed by the plaintiff or his agent, and shall be verified in the manner and as provided by section five hundred and twenty-six of the Code of Civil Procedure. Said summons and complaint shall be attached and shall be served upon the defendant by delivering to and leaving with him, personally, true copies thereof, not less than six nor more than twelve days before the return day thereof, and the official certificate of the constable making such service shall be sufficient evidence thereof.

SEC. 2. In case the defendant appears and answers in such action, his answer shall be in writing, and shall be verified as above provided for the verification of the complaint, and must contain:

1. A general or specific denial of each material allegation of the complaint controverted by the defendant, or of any knowledge or information thereof sufficient to form a belief.

2. A statement of any new matter constituting a defense, offset or counter-claim.

SEC. 3. In case the defendant fails to answer or demur to said complaint, as hereinbefore provided, at the time of the return of said summons, he shall be deemed to have admitted the allegations of the complaint as true, and the court shall, upon filing the summons and complaint, with due proof of the service thereof, enter judgment for the said plaintiff and against the defendant, for the amount demanded, in such complaint, with costs, without further proof.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect the first day of September, eighteen hundred and eighty-one.

CHAPTER 419.

AN ACT to prohibit the pawning or fraudulent conversion of material in the hands of operatives for manufacture.

Passed May 28, 1881; three-fifths being present.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Any person who shall willfully pawn, pledge, sell or convert to his or her own use any material furnished to him or her for the purpose of being manufactured, if the same be of the value of more than twenty-five dollars, shall, upon conviction thereof, be adjudged guilty of grand larceny, and imprisoned in a state prison for a term not exceeding five years, but if the same be of the value of twenty-five dollars or under, he or she shall, upon conviction, be adjudged guilty of petit larceny, and be punished by imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding six months, or by fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, or both such fine and imprisonment.

SEC. 2. Nothing in this act contained shall be deemed or held to discharge any mechanic's lien, or right of lien in favor of any employee as now recognized by law.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

CHAPTER 424.

AN ACT to limit the operation of chapter six hundred and twenty-five of the laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, entitled "An act to amend and reduce to one act of the several acts relating to buildings in the city of New York, passed May fourth, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, May seventeenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, and May sixth, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, in the twelfth, twenty-third and twenty-fourth wards of the city of New York, north of One Hundred and Fortieth street."

Passed May 28, 1881; three-fifths being present.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Nothing in chapter six hundred and twenty-five of the laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, entitled "An act to amend and reduce to one act the several acts relating to buildings in the city of New York, passed May fourth, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, May seventeenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, and May sixth, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight," shall be so construed as to prohibit the building of frame buildings with shingle roofs and eight-inch brick foundation walls under the same, in the twelfth, twenty-third and twenty-fourth wards of the city of New York, north of One Hundred and Fortieth street. Buildings of brick not exceeding two stories in height above the basement may also be erected in said district, having basement walls twelve inches in thickness, and walls above the basement eight inches in thickness, constructed of hard brick and good mortar.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

CHAPTER 425.

AN ACT to amend chapter two hundred and fifty-six of the laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, entitled "An act in relation to partnerships, and the use by new partnerships of the names of former partnerships."

Passed May 28, 1881; three-fifths being present.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section one of chapter two hundred and fifty-six of the laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, entitled "An act in relation to partnerships, and the use by new partnerships of the names of former partnerships," is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

§ 1. Any limited partnership which may hereafter be formed under the laws of this state may use the firm name of any former general or limited partnership formed under said laws, where a majority of the partners, general or special, in either of such last-mentioned copartnerships, or of the survivors thereof, shall be members of the new limited copartnership; or where a majority of the members of such former copartnership, or of the surviving members thereof, shall consent in writing to the use of such firm name by such new copartnership, upon complying with the provisions of the act entitled "An act allowing the continued use of copartnership names in certain cases," passed April seventeenth, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, and the act amendatory thereof, so far as he same may be applicable.

11. $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 29", $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 22", $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 18", $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 16", $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 14", $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 12", $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 10", $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 10", 7-16" square, and 7-16" x 10", 5-8" x 8", 5-8" x 5", and 5-8" x 3-1/2", round wrought-iron spike-pointed bolts, and rod, nails, about..... 13,682 pounds.
12. 1", 3/4" and 5/8" wrought-iron screw bolts, about..... 3,322 "
13. Wrought-iron armature plates and corner bands, about..... 5,812 "
14. Cast-iron washers for 1" and 3/4" screw bolts, and cast-iron pile shoes, about..... 4,740 "
15. Labor of framing and carpentry, including all moving of timber, jointing, planing, bolting, spiking, painting, oiling or tarring, and furnishing the materials for painting, oiling or tarring, and labor of every description, for an area of about 14,040 square feet of pier and 75 feet in length of bulkhead.....
16. Labor of removing the shed, offices and other structures, and all of the pier and bulkhead near the foot of Market slip, E. R., and of removing all the old material from the premises.....

N. B.—As the above mentioned quantities, though stated with as much accuracy as is possible, in advance, are approximate only, bidders are required to submit their estimates upon the following express conditions, which shall apply to and become part of every estimate received:

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

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

The work to be done under the contract is to be commenced within five days after the date of the contract, and the entire work is to be fully completed on or before the 1st day of October, 1881, 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, Sundays and holidays not to be excepted, are, by a clause in the contract, fixed and liquidated at Fifty Dollars per day.

All the old material taken from said pier and bulkhead, inclusive of the shed, offices, and other structures, to be removed under this contract, will be relinquished to the contractor, and bidders must estimate the value of such material when considering the price for which they will do the work under the contract.

Bidders will state in their estimates a price for the whole of the work to be done in each class, in conformity with the approved form of contract and the specifications therein set forth, by which prices the bids will be tested. These prices are to cover all expenses of every kind involved in or incidental to the fulfillment of the contract, including any claim that may arise through delay, from any cause, in the performing of the work thereunder.

Bidders will distinctly write out, both in words and in figures, the amount of their estimates for doing each of the three classes of 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 that effect; and in case of failure or neglect so to do, he or they will be considered as having abandoned it, and as in default to the Corporation, and the contract will be readvertised and relet, and so on until it be accepted and executed.

Bidders are required to state in their estimates their names and places of residence, the names of all persons interested with them therein; and if no other person be so interested, the estimate shall distinctly state the fact; also that the estimate is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same work, and that it is in all respects fair, and without collusion or fraud; and also 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; 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 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, on 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 on 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 in each class, 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 is to be approved 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 considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the 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. 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, 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.

HENRY F. DIMOCK,
JACOB VANDERPOEL,
WILLIAM LAMBEER,
Commissioners of the Department of Docks.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE.

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, ICE, ETC.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING

DRY GOODS.
20 bales Bandage Muslin.
1,000 yards Striped Prison Cloth.
500 " Plain
24 dozen Hair Brushes.

GROCERIES
20,000 Fresh Eggs (all to be candled).
5,000 pounds Dairy Butter, sample on exhibition July 21, 1881.
5,000 pounds Crushed Sugar.
6 dozen Chow Chow (pints).
6 " Worcester Sauce (pints).
6 " Currant Jelly.
6 " Canned Lobster.
500 pounds Cocoa.
20 barrels Fine new process Flour.
1,000 gallons Syrup.
1,000 barrels good, sound Irish Potatoes, to weigh 168 pounds to the barrel, net.

MANILA ROPE.
15 coils 15-thread best quality Manila Rope.
1 coil 2-inch "

ICE.

600 tons good sound Ice, to be free from snow-ice and not less than ten inches thick, one-half of the undermentioned quantities to be delivered at the places named on making the award and the remainder to be delivered at a designated time within 40 days from the delivery of the first half.

At Blackwell's Island, 300 tons.

At Ward's Island, 150 tons.

At Randall's Island, 150 tons.

The Ice to be discharged by the Department and to be received at the weight on landing.

—or any part thereof, will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities and Correction, in the City of New York, until 9.30 o'clock A.M., of Friday, the 22d day of July, 1881. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Dry Goods, Groceries, Ice, etc." 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 head of said Department and read.

The Department of Public Charities and Correction reserves the right to decline any and all bids or estimates if deemed to be for the public interest, and to accept any bid or estimate as a whole, or for any one or more articles included therein. No bid or estimate 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.

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, at such times and in such quantities as may be directed by the said Department; but the entire quantity will be required to be delivered on or before thirty (30) days after the date of the contract.

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, in the penal amount of fifty (50) per cent. of the estimated amount of the contract.

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 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 27 of chapter 8. of the Revised Ordinances of the City of New York, and shall be held to the award 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. 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.

No bid or estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the 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. 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 neglect or refuse, 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 to contract within five days after written notice that the same has been awarded to him 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 respectively, at the office of the said Department. 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, issued on the completion of the contract, or from time to time as the Commissioners may determine.

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the specifications will be allowed, unless under the written instruction of the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction.

The Department of Public Charities and Correction reserves the right to decline any and all bids or estimates if deemed to be for the public interest, and to accept any bid or estimate as a whole, or for any one or more articles included therein. No bid or estimate 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.

The form of the agreement, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, can be obtained at the office of the Department.

Dated New York, July 9, 1881.

JACOB HESS,
THOMAS S. BRENNAN,
TOWNSEND COX,
Commissioners of the Department of Public Charities and Correction.

ASSESSMENT COMMISSION.

THE COMMISSIONERS APPOINTED BY CHAPTER 550 of the Laws of 1880, to revise, vacate, or modify assessments for local improvements in the City of New York, give notice to all persons affected thereby that the notices required by the said act must be filed with the Comptroller of said City and a duplicate thereof with the Counsel to the Corporation, as follows:

As to all assessments confirmed subsequent to June 9, 1880, for local improvements theretofore completed, and as to any assessment for local improvements known as Morningstar Avenue, notices must be filed within two months after the dates upon which such assessments may be respectively confirmed.

The notice must specify the particular assessment complained of, the date of the confirmation of the same, the property affected thereby, and in a brief and concise manner the objections thereto, showing, or tending to show, that the assessment was unfair or unjust in respect to said real estate.

Dated, No. 27 CHAMBERS STREET, May 18, 1881.

EDWARD COOPER,
JOHN KELLY,
ALLAN CAMPBELL,
GEORGE H. ANDREWS,
DANIEL LORD, JR.,
Commissioners under the Act.

JAMES J. MARTIN, Clerk.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE,
No. 300 MULBERRY STREET, ROOM NO. 39,
NEW YORK, July 1, 1881.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY Clerk of the Police Department of the City of New York, 300 Mulberry street, Room 39, for the following property now in his custody without claimants: Revolvers, male and female clothing, trunk and contents, bags and contents, blankets, boots, shoes, hat, carpet, boats, stockings, gold and silver watches, pails, cochineal bale, and small amount money, found and taken from prisoners by Patrolmen of this Department.

C. A. ST. JOHN,
Property Clerk.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS OF the Board of Aldermen will meet every Monday at two o'clock P. M., at Room No. 8 City Hall.

BERNARD KENNEY,
JOSEPH F. STRACK,
HENRY C. PERLEY,
THOMAS SHELLS,
JAMES L. WELLS,
Committee on Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
ROOM 6, NO. 31 CHAMBERS STREET,
NEW YORK, July 5, 1881.

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 this office until 8th day of July, 1881, at 12 o'clock M., at which hour they will be publicly opened by the head of the Department and read, for the following:

- No. 1. For furnishing all the necessary labor and materials for taking up and RELAYING TRAP-BLOCK PAVEMENT now in TWENTY-SECOND STREET east of and NEAR FOURTH AVENUE, and for PAVING WITH SUCH TRAP-BLOCKS as shall be furnished and delivered upon the line of work, TWENTY-SECOND STREET, BETWEEN FIRST AND FOURTH AVENUES.
- No. 2. Paving with trap-block pavement now in Thirtieth street, THE ROADWAY OF THIRTY-NINTH STREET, FROM TENTH AVENUE TO HUDSON RIVER.
- No. 3. PAVING WITH GRANITE-BLOCK PAVEMENT, BROADWAY, BETWEEN SEVENTEENTH AND TWENTY-SECOND STREETS, and the hauling and delivery of the trap-blocks taken therefrom to Twenty-second street, between First and Fourth avenues.
- No. 4. SEWER IN FRONT STREET, between Beekman and Fulton streets.
- No. 5. RECEIVING BASINS on the northwest and southwest corners of Seventy-third street and Eighth avenue.
- No. 6. REGULATING AND GRADING ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SEVENTH STREET, from the east curb line of Tenth avenue to the west curb line of Kingsbridge road, and setting curb-stones and flagging sidewalks therein.

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the 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. 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 neglect or refuse, 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.

Blank forms of bids or estimates, the proper envelopes in which to inclose the same, the specifications and agreements, and any further information desired can be obtained at the following offices: For Paving, Room 1; Sewers, etc., Room 8, and Regulating and Grading, Room 5, No. 31 Chambers street.

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

HUBERT O. THOMPSON,
Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
BUREAU OF WATER REGISTER,
31 CHAMBERS STREET, ROOM 2,
NEW YORK, July 1, 1881.

CROTON WATER RATES.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ANNUAL water rates for 1881 are now due and payable at this office.

Permits for the use of Croton water for washing sidewalks, stoops, areas, etc., must be renewed immediately.

HUBERT O. THOMPSON,
Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS,
COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE,
NEW YORK, July 5, 1881.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY THE Commissioners of the Department of Taxes and Assessments that the assessment rolls of real and personal estate in said city, for the year 1881, have been finally completed and have been delivered to the Board of Aldermen of said city, and that such assessment rolls will remain open to public inspection, in the office of the clerk of said Board of Aldermen, for a period of fifteen days from the date of this notice.

THOMAS B. ASTEN,
JOHN N. HAYWARD,
GEORGE B. VANDERPOEL,
Commissioners of Taxes and Assessments.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS
FIRE DEPARTMENT CITY OF NEW YORK,
155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,
NEW YORK, July 14, 1881.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR DOING THE WORK and furnishing the materials required in the alteration and repair of a house for Engine Co. No. 26 (No. 220 West Thirtieth street).

—will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head of the Fire Department, at the office of said Department, Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street, in the City of New York, until 10 o'clock A. M., Wednesday, July 27, 1881, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read.

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.

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 and drawings, which form part of these proposals.

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, by a clause in the contract, fixed and liquidated at twenty-five dollars per day.

Should the person or persons to whom the contract is awarded neglect or refuse to accept the contract for forty-eight (48) hours after written notice that the same has been awarded to his or their bid or estimate, or, if, after acceptance, he or they should refuse or neglect to execute the contract and give proper security within five days after notice that the contract is ready for execution, 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.

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 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 in a sum not less than one-half the amount of the estimate; 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 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. 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 neglect or refuse, 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 will write out the amount of their estimate, in addition to inserting the same in figures. The form of the agreement, including drawings and specifications, and showing the manner of payment for the work, may be seen and forms of proposals may be obtained at the office of the Department.

CORNELIUS VAN COTT,
VINCENT C. KING,
JOHN J. GORMAN,
Commissioners.

HEADQUARTERS
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
155 and 157 MERCER STREET,
NEW YORK, November 7, 1878.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE
Board of Commissioners of this Department will
meet daily at 10 o'clock A. M., for the transaction of
business.
By order of the Board.
VINCENT C. KING, President
JOHN J. GORMAN, Treasurer,
CORNELIUS VAN COTT, Commissioners
CARL JUSSEN, Secretary

JURORS.

NOTICE
IN RELATION TO JURORS FOR
STATE COURTS

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF JURORS,
NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE,
NEW YORK, July 1, 1880.
APPLICATIONS FOR EXEMPTIONS WILL BE
heard here, from 9 to 4 daily, from all persons hitherto
able or recently serving who have become exempt, and
all needed information will be given.
Those who have not answered as to their liability, or
proved permanent exemption, will receive a "jury enroll-
ment notice," requiring them to appear before me this
year. Whether liable or not, such notices must be an-
swered (in person, if possible, and at this office only) under
severe penalties. If exempt, the party must bring proof of
exemption; if liable, he must also answer in person, giving
full and correct name, residence, etc., etc. No attention
paid to letters.

Persons "enrolled" as liable must serve when called
or pay their fines. No mere excuse will be allowed or
interference permitted. The fines, received from those
who, for business or other reasons, are unable to serve at
the time selected, pay the expenses of this office, and if
unpaid will be entered as judgments upon the property of
the delinquents.
All good citizens will aid the course of justice, and
secure reliable and respectable juries, and equalize their
duty by serving promptly when summoned, allowing their
clerks or subordinates to serve, reporting to me any attempt
at bribery or evasion, and suggesting names for enrollment.
Persons between sixty and seventy years of age, summer
absentees, persons temporarily ill, and United States and
District Court jurors are not exempt.
Every man must attend to his own notice. It is a mis-
deamorous to give any jury paper to another to answer.
It is also punishable by fine or imprisonment to give or
receive any present or bribe, directly or indirectly, in re-
lation to a jury service, or to withhold any paper or make
any false statement, and every case will be fully pro-
secuted.

THOMAS DUNLAP, Commissioner,
County Court-house (Chambers street entrance).

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
AND OF ARREARS OF TAXES AND ASSES-
MENTS, AND OF WATER RENTS,
OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER OF ASSESSMENTS
AND CLERK OF ARREARS, July 6, 1881.

NOTICE OF SALE OF LANDS AND TENEMENTS
for unpaid taxes of 1871, 1872, 1873, 1874,
1875 and 1876, and Croton water rents of 1870, 1871, 1872,
1873, 1874 and 1875, under the direction of Allan Camp-
bell, Comptroller of the City of New York. The under-
signed hereby gives public notice, pursuant to the pro-
visions of the act entitled "An act for the Collection of Taxes,
Assessments and Croton Water Rents in the City of New
York, and to amend the several acts in relation thereto,"
passed April 8, 1871:

That the respective owners of all lands and tenements
in the City of New York on which taxes have been laid
and confirmed, situated in the Wards Nos. 1 to 24 inclu-
sive, for the Years 1871, 1872, 1873, 1874, 1875, and 1876,
and now remaining due and unpaid; and also the respec-
tive owners of all lands and tenements in the City of
New York, situated in the Wards aforesaid, on which the
regular Croton-water rents have been laid for the years
1870, 1871, 1872, 1873, 1874, and 1875, and are now re-
maining due and unpaid, are required to pay the said
taxes and Croton-water rent so remaining due and unpaid
to the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, at
his office in the Department of Finance, in the New
Court-house, with the interest thereon, at the rate of 7
per cent. per annum, as provided by chapter 33 of the
Laws of 1881, from the time when the same became due
to the time of payment, together with the charges of this
notice and advertisement, and if default shall be made
in such payment, such lands and tenements will be
sold at public auction at the New Court-house, in
the City Hall Park, in the City of New York, on
Monday, October 10, 1881, at 12 o'clock noon, for the
lowest term of years at which any person shall offer to
take the same, in consideration of advancing the amount
of tax or Croton-water rent, as the case may be, so due and
unpaid, and the interest thereon, as aforesaid, to the time
of sale, together with the charges of this notice and ad-
vertisement, and all other costs and charges accrued
thereon, and that such sale will be continued from time to
time, until all the lands and tenements so advertised for
sale shall be sold.

For the redemption of any property so sold, interest
will be payable upon the amount of the purchase money,
at the rate of fourteen per cent. per annum.

Notice is hereby further given that a detailed statement
of the taxes and the Croton water rents, the ownership of
the property, on which taxes and Croton water rents re-
main unpaid, is published in a pamphlet, and that copies
of the said pamphlet are deposited in the office of the
Collector of Assessments, and Clerk of Arrears, and will
be delivered to any person applying for the same.

A. S. CADY,
Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears.

CITY OF NEW YORK,
FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
June 27, 1881.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 4 OF CHAPTER
33 of the Laws of 1881, the Comptroller of the City of
New York hereby gives public notice to property-owners
that the following lists of assessments for local improve-
ments in said city were confirmed by the "Board of Re-
vision and Correction of Assessments" on the 23d day of
June, 1881, and, on the same date, were entered in the
Record of Titles of Assessments kept in the "Bureau for
the Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes
and Assessments, and of Water Rents," viz.:

4th street Paving, from Madison avenue to Harlem
road.
76th street Paving, from 2d avenue to Avenue A.
94th street Paving, from Lexington to 4th avenue.
115th street Paving, from 3d to 4th avenue.
4th avenue Flagging, east side, between 62d and 65th
streets.
96th street Sewer, between 5th and Madison avenues.
128th street Sewer, between 2d and 3d avenues.
Washington street Sewer, between Gansevoort and
Little West 12th streets.
60th street, Fencing Vacant Lots, both sides, between
10th and 11th avenues.
Broadway, Fencing Vacant Lots, west side, between
55th and 56th streets.
60th street, Fencing Vacant Lots, south side, between
10th and 11th avenues.

73d street, Fencing Vacant Lots, south side, between
9th and 10th avenues.
77th street, Fencing Vacant Lots, south side, between
8th and 9th avenues.

Lexington avenue, Fencing Vacant Lots, both sides, be-
tween 75th and 76th streets.
75th street, Fencing Vacant Lots on northwest and
southwest corners of 9th avenue, and on 75th street, both
sides, near 10th avenue, and on 10th avenue, east side, be-
tween 74th and 75th streets.

Section 5 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 au-
thorized to collect and receive the amount of such assess-
ment, to charge, collect, and receive legal interest thereon,
at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calcu-
lated from the date of such entry to the date of pay-
ment."

The above assessments are payable to the Collector of
Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, at the "Bureau for the
Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes and
Assessments, and of Water Rents," from 9 A. M. until 2
P. M., and all payments made thereon, on or before
August 26, 1881, will be exempt from interest as above
provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge
of interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from
the date of entry in the record of titles of assessments in
said bureau.

ALLAN CAMPBELL,
Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, May 28, 1881.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 4 OF CHAPTER
33 of the Laws of 1881, the Comptroller of the City of
New York hereby gives public notice to property-owners
that the following lists of assessments for local improve-
ments in said city were confirmed by the "Board of Re-
vision and Correction of Assessments" on the 24th day of
May, 1881, and, on the same date, were entered in the
Record of Titles of Assessments kept in the "Bureau for
the Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes
and Assessments, and of Water Rents," viz.:

Boulevard sewers, between 59th and 61st streets.
Boulevard sewers, between 61st and 77th streets.
Boulevard sewers, between 77th and 92d streets.
Boulevard sewers, between 92d and 105th streets.
Boulevard sewers, between 105th and 153d streets.
Madison avenue sewer, between 110th and 113th streets.
Avenue A sewer, between 10th and 11th streets.

Section 5 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 au-
thorized to collect and receive the amount of such assess-
ment, to charge, collect, and receive legal interest thereon,
at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calcu-
lated from the date of such entry to the date of payment."

The above assessments are payable to the Collector of
Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, at the "Bureau for the
Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes and
Assessments, and of Water Rents," from 9 A. M. until 2
P. M., and all payments made thereon, on or before July 27,
1881, will be exempt from interest as above provided,
and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest
at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from the date of
entry in the record of titles of assessments in said Bureau.

ALLAN CAMPBELL,
Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK,
FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
May 21, 1881.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 4 OF CHAPTER
33 of the Laws of 1881, the Comptroller of the City of
New York hereby gives public notice to property-owners
that the assessment list for the opening of One Hundred
and Eighth street, from Fifth avenue to Harlem river was
confirmed by the Supreme Court on the 12th day of May,
1881, and entered on the 19th day of May, 1881, in the
Record of Titles of Assessments kept in the Bureau for
the Collection of Assessments and of Arrears of Taxes
and Assessments and of Water Rents.

Section 5 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 au-
thorized to collect and receive the amount of such assess-
ment, to charge, collect, and receive legal interest thereon,
at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calcu-
lated from the date of such entry to the date of payment."

The above assessments are payable to the Collector of
Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, at the "Bureau for the
Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes and
Assessments, and of Water Rents," from 9 A. M. until 2
P. M., and all payments made thereon, on or before July 19,
1881, will be exempt from interest as above provided, and
after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the
rate of seven per cent. per annum from the date of entry
in the Record of Titles and Assessments in said Bureau.

ALLAN CAMPBELL,
Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK,
FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
May 4th, 1881.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 4 OF CHAPTER
33 of the Laws of 1881, the Comptroller of the City of
New York hereby gives public notice to property-owners
that the following lists of assessments for local improve-
ments in said city were confirmed by the "Board of Re-
vision and Correction of Assessments" on the 28th day of
April, 1881, and, on the same date, were entered in the
Record of Titles of Assessments kept in the "Bureau for
the Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes
and Assessments, and of Water Rents," viz.:

Avenue B sewer, between 79th and 82d streets.
2d avenue sewer, between 75th and 76th streets.
Lexington avenue sewer, between 103d and 104th
streets.
11th avenue sewer, west side, between 59th and 60th
streets.
12th avenue sewer, between 131st and 133d streets.
Laight street sewer, between Washington and West
streets.

Macdougall street sewer, between West 4th street and
West Washington place.
Jackson street sewer, between Grand and Madison
streets.
68th street sewer, between 4th and Madison avenues,
etc.

72d street sewer, between 1st and 2d avenues.
73d street sewer, between 8th and 10th avenues.
103d street sewer, between 3d and Lexington avenues.
104th street sewer, between 9th and 10th avenues.
104th street sewer, from 650 feet east of 10th avenue to
75 feet west of 9th avenue.
113th street sewer, between 10th avenue and summit
east of 10th avenue.
113th street sewer, between Madison and 5th avenues,
etc.

122d street sewer, between 6th avenue and summit
west of 6th avenue.
122d street sewer, between 7th avenue and summit east
of 7th avenue.
127th street sewer, between 7th and 8th avenues.
129th street sewer, between 7th and 8th avenues.
130th street sewer, between 6th avenue and Summit
west of 6th avenue.
5th avenue basin, west side, between 60th and 61st
streets.
11th street basin, southwest corner Dry Dock street.

60th street basin, northeast corner 5th avenue.
93d street regulating, grading, etc., from 2d avenue to
East river.
152d street regulating, grading, etc., from Boulevard to
Hudson river.

Broadway regulating, grading, etc., from Manhattan
street to 132d street.
18th street paving, from 9th to 10th avenue.
4th avenue paving, at intersection of 83d, 84th, 85th and
86th streets.
104th street paving, between 2d and 3d avenues.
13th avenue paving, between West 11th and West 16th
streets.

70th street fencing vacant lots, south side, between 4th
and Lexington avenues.
80th and 81st streets fencing vacant lots, between Madis-
on and 5th avenues.
Madison avenue fencing vacant lots, southeast and south-
west corners 127th street.

Section 5 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 au-
thorized to collect and receive the amount of such assess-
ment, to charge, collect, and receive legal interest thereon,
at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calcu-
lated from the date of such entry to the date of payment."

The above assessments are payable to the Collector of
Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, at the "Bureau for the
Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes and
Assessments, and of Water Rents," from 9 A. M. until 2
P. M., and all payments made thereon, on or before July 5,
1881, will be exempt from interest as above provided, and
after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the
rate of seven per centum per annum from the date of entry
in the record of titles of assessments in said Bureau.

ALLAN CAMPBELL,
Comptroller.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, AND OF
ARREARS OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, AND OF
WATER RENTS, NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE,
CITY HALL PARK,
NEW YORK, April 25, 1881.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

PROPERTY-HOLDERS ARE HEREBY NOTI-
fied that the following assessment list was received
by the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears,
April 25, 1881, for collection:

CONFIRMED APRIL 14, 1881, AND ENTERED APRIL 25, 1881.

80th street opening, from 8th avenue to New road, and
from 12th avenue to the Hudson river.

All payments made on the above assessment on or
before June 24, 1881, will be exempt (according to law)
from interest. After that date interest will be charged at
the rate of seven (7) per cent. from the date of entry.
The above assessments are payable at the "Bureau for
the Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes
and Assessments, and of Water Rents," from 9 A. M.
until 2 P. M.

A. S. CADY,
Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

RELATING TO THE PAYMENT OF UNPAID
TAXES, ASSESSMENTS, AND CROTON WATER
RENTS.

THE COMPTROLLER OF THE CITY OF NEW
York hereby gives notice to owners of real and per-
sonal estate in this city, that all unpaid taxes, assess-
ments, and Croton water rents may now be paid with
interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent. per annum,
as provided by chapter 33 of the Laws of 1881, which is as
follows:

CHAPTER 33.

AN ACT relative to the collection of taxes and assessments,
and of arrears of taxes and assessments, and Croton
water rents, in the City of New York.

(Passed March 16, 1881; three-fifths being present.)

The People of the State of New York, represented in
Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. If any taxes of any year shall remain unpaid
on the first day of November, after the assessment-rolls
and the warrants to collect such taxes have been delivered
to the Receiver of Taxes in the City of New York, it shall
be the duty of said Receiver to give public notice, by ad-
vertisement for at least ten days in two of the daily news-
papers, and in the CITY RECORD, printed and published in
said city, respectively, that unless the same shall be paid
to him at his office on or before the first day of December,
in any such year, he will immediately thereafter proceed
to collect such unpaid taxes, as provided in the following
section of this act:

Section 2. If any such tax shall remain unpaid on the
said first day of December, it shall be the duty of the said
Receiver of Taxes in said city to charge, receive, and collect
upon such tax so remaining unpaid on that day, in addition
to the amount of such tax, one per centum on the amount
thereof; and to charge, receive, and collect upon such
tax so remaining unpaid on the first day of January
thereafter, interest upon the amount thereof at the rate of
seven per centum per annum, to be calculated from the day
on which said assessment-rolls and warrants shall have
been delivered to the said Receiver of Taxes to the date of
payment.

The same rate of interest shall be so charged and col-
lected upon any tax levied in the year eighteen hundred
and eighty, remaining unpaid at the date of the passage of
this act.

Section 3. All existing provisions of law which impose a
charge and require the collection of interest at the rate of
twelve per centum per annum upon arrears of taxes on
real and personal estate within the City of New York, upon
arrears of assessments for local improvements and
street openings in said city, and upon arrears of Croton
water rents in said city, are hereby repealed; and in lieu
of such charge of interest at the rate of twelve per centum
per annum, there shall be charged and collected by the
officer authorized to collect and receive any such arrears
of taxes and assessments and Croton water rents, interest
upon the amount thereof at the rate of seven per centum
per annum, to be calculated for the same period as interest
at the rate of twelve per centum per annum is now re-
quired by law to be calculated thereon. This provision
shall apply to taxes, assessments, or Croton water rents
remaining unpaid and due, for the non-payment of which
the lands and tenements liable therefor shall be hereafter
sold at public auction as now provided by law; provided,
however, that nothing in this act shall be construed to
affect the rights of purchasers at sales for taxes, assess-
ments, or Croton water rents, heretofore made, or to
authorize the redemption of lands and tenements from
sales heretofore made for any lesser sums than the sums
collectible for such redemption under the provisions of
existing laws.

Section 4. It shall be the duty of the Comptroller of the
City of New York to give public notice, by advertisement,
for at least ten days, in the CITY RECORD, printed and
published in said city, immediately after the confirmation
of any assessment for a local improvement or street open-
ing in said city, that the same has been confirmed
specifying the title of such assessment and the date of its
confirmation by the Board of Revision and Correction of
Assessments in proceedings for local improvements, and
by the Supreme Court in proceedings for street openings,
and also the date of entry in the record of titles of assess-
ments kept in the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments,
and of Arrears of Taxes and Assessments, and of Croton
water rents, notifying all persons, owners of property
affected by any such assessment, that, unless the amount
assessed for benefit on any person or property shall be
paid within sixty days after the date of said entry of any
such assessment, interest shall thereafter be collected
thereon as provided in the following section of this act,
and all provisions of law or ordinance requiring any other
or different notice of assessments and interest thereon are
hereby repealed.

Section 5. 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
legal 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.

Section 6. This act shall take effect immediately.
ALLAN CAMPBELL,
Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, March 18, 1881.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
AND OF ARREARS OF TAXES AND ASSES-
MENTS, AND OF WATER RENTS,
NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE, CITY HALL PARK,
NEW YORK, February 1, 1881.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

PROPERTY-HOLDERS ARE HEREBY NOTI-
fied that the following assessment list was received
by the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears,
January 29, 1881, for collection:

CONFIRMED JANUARY 25, 1881, AND ENTERED JANUARY 29,
1881, NAMELY:

153d street, opening, from the easterly line of the New
Avenue lying between 8th and 9th avenues, to the Har-
lem river.

All payments made on the above assessment on or before
March 30, 1881, will be exempt (according to law) from
interest. After that date interest will be charged at the
rate of seven (7) per cent. from the date of entry.

The above assessments are payable at the "Bureau for
the Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes
and Assessments, and of Water Rents," from 9 A. M. until
2 P. M.

A. S. CADY,
Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears.

ORDER OF THE COMPTROLLER OF THE CITY
OF NEW YORK, CONSOLIDATING CERTAIN
BUREAUX IN THE FINANCE DEPART-
MENT

SECTION 3 OF CHAPTER 531 OF THE LAWS
of 1880, requires that heads of departments shall
reduce the aggregate expenses of their respective
departments by a reduction of salaries, and confers upon
them authority to consolidate bureaux and offices for that
purpose, as follows, to wit:

"In making the reduction herein required, every head
of department may abolish and consolidate offices and
"bureaux, and discharge subordinates in the same
"department."

The Comptroller of the City of New York, in pursuance
of the duty imposed and the authority thus conferred upon
him, hereby orders and directs that the following Bureaux
in the Finance Department shall be consolidated, the
consolidation thereof to take effect on the first day of
January, 1881, viz.:

First—"The Bureau or the Collection of Assessments,
and "The Bureau for the Collection of Arrears of Taxes
and Assessments and of Water Rents," shall be consoli-
dated as one bureau, and on and after January 1, 1881,
shall be known as "The Bureau for the Collection of
Assessments and of Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and
of Water Rents," and possess all the power conferred and
perform all the duties imposed by law and ordinance upon
both of said bureaux, and the officers thereof, the chief
officer of which consolidated bureau shall be called "Col-
lector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears."

Second—"The Bureau for the Collection of the Revenue
accruing from rents, and interest on bonds and mortgages,
revenue arising from the use or sale of property belong-
ing to or managed by the city," and "The Bureau of
Markets," shall be consolidated as one Bureau, and on
and after January 1, 1881, shall be known as "The
Bureau for the Collection of City Revenue and of
Markets," and possess all the powers conferred and per-
form all the duties imposed by law and ordinance upon
both said Bureaux, and the officers thereof; the chief
officer of which said consolidated Bureau shall be called
"Collector of City Revenue and Superintendent of
Markets."

CITY OF NEW YORK, FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, Dec. 31, 1880.

ALLAN CAMPBELL,
Comptroller

FINANCE DEPARTMENT—COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, January 22, 1880.

NOTICE TO OWNERS OF REAL ESTATE IN THE
TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH
WARDS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

THE COMPTROLLER OF THE CITY OF NEW
York hereby gives notice to owners of real estate in
the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, that pursuant
to an act of the Legislature of the State of New York,
entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment and pay-
ment of unpaid taxes due the county of Westchester by
the towns of West Farms, Morrisania, and Kingsbridge,
lately annexed to the city and county of New York,"
passed May 22, 1878, the unpaid taxes of said town have
been adjusted and the amount determined as provided in
said act, and that the accounts, including sales for taxes
levied prior to the year 1874, by the Treasurer of the
County of Westchester, and bid in on account of said
towns, and also the unpaid taxes of the year 1873, known
as Rejected Taxes, have been filed for collection in the
Bureau of Arrears in the Finance Department of the City
of New York.

Payments for the redemption of lands so sold for taxes
by the Treasurer of the County of Westchester, and bid
in on account of said towns, and payments also of said
Rejected Taxes of the year 1873, must be made hereafter
to the Clerk of Arrears of the City of New York.

N.B.—Interest at the rate of twelve per cent. per annum
is due and payable on the amount of said sales for taxes
and said rejected taxes.

ALLAN CAMPBELL,
Comptroller.

REAL ESTATE RECORDS.

THE ATTENTION OF LAWYERS, REAL
Estate Owners, Monetary Institutions engaged in
making loans upon real estate, and all who are interested
in providing themselves with facilities for reducing the
cost of examinations and searches, is invited to these
Official Indices of Records, containing all recorded trans-
fers of real estate in the City of New York from 1653 to
1857, prepared under the direction of the Commissioners
of Records.

Grantors, grantees, suits in equity, insolvents' and
Sheriffs' sales, in 61 volumes, full bound, price, \$100 00
The same, in 25 volumes, half bound, price, 50 00
Complete sets, folded, ready for binding, price, 15 00
Records of Judgments, 25 volumes, bound, price, 10 00
Orders should be addressed to "Mr. Stephen Angell,
Comptroller's Office, New County Court-house."

ALLAN CAMPBELL,
Comptroller.

THE CITY RECORD.

OFFICE OF THE CITY RECORD,
No. 2 CITY HALL.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE THE BUSINESS OF
the CITY RECORD office will be transacted at Room
No. 4, City Hall, northeast corner.

THOMAS COSTIGAN,
Supervisor