

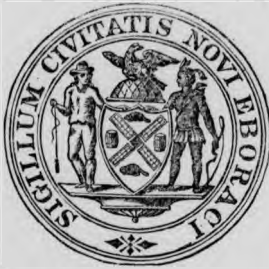
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BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

TUESDAY, January 19, 1886, }
1 o'clock P. M. }

The Board met in their chamber, room 16 City Hall.

PRESENT:

Hon. Robert B. Nooney, President;

ALDERMEN

Henry W. Jaehne,
Vice-President,
Charles Bennett,
John Cavanagh,
Thomas Cleary,
James J. Corcoran,
James A. Cowie,
Robert E. De Lacy,
Patrick Diver,

Eugene M. Earle,
Hugh F. Farrell,
Patrick F. Ferrigan,
James E. Fitzgerald,
Jacob Hunsicker,
Robert Lang,
Peter B. Masterson,
Gustav Menninger,

James J. Mooney,
Bankson T. Morgan,
Joseph Murray,
John O'Neill,
John Quinn,
John J. Ryan,
Matthew Smith,
James T. Van Rensselaer.

On motion of Alderman Masterson, the reading of the minutes of the last meeting was dispensed with.

PETITIONS.

By Alderman Cleary—

Petition of The Southern Boulevard Railroad Company for permission to construct and operate a railroad on the surface of certain streets in the upper part of the City, viz.

New York, January 16, 1886.

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York:

Your petitioner, The Southern Boulevard Railroad Company, a corporation organized under the act of the Legislature of the State of New York, passed the sixth day of May, 1884, being chapter 252 of the laws of that year, and the various acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, represents to your honorable assembly as follows:

1. That your petitioner is a corporation, duly organized as aforesaid, for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating a street surface railroad on what is known as the "Southern Boulevard," in the City of New York, within the following limits to wit: From the beginning of the said Southern Boulevard at the upper end of the iron bridge crossing the Harlem river on the line of Third avenue; thence running through and along the said Southern Boulevard and across the intersecting streets, avenues and highways, as said Southern Boulevard winds and turns until it reaches Boston avenue, formerly called the Boston Post road; the length of the said proposed railroad being about three and one-half miles.

2. That your petitioner has already obtained the respective consents in writing of nearly all the owners of property along said route for the construction of the said railroad, the same being much more than one-half in value of the property bounded on the said proposed line of railroad, as will more particularly appear by the annexed copy of said written consents.

3. Your petitioner also desires particularly to impress upon your Honorable Body the following facts:

First—That this movement is made by the property-owners for themselves and in the interests of their own property, and that it is not made in the interest or for the benefit of outside parties, and therefore that it appeals to you, as the custodians of the interests of your constituents, with greater force than ordinarily.

Second—Every property-owner on the line of the proposed road and adjacent thereto has been invited to subscribe to the building and equipment of this road, on precisely the same terms and conditions, so that there is no inside interest superior to the property-owners, as is generally the case in these movements.

Third—The Southern Boulevard is almost entirely unbuilt upon and has remained so since it was laid out, because (your petitioners believe) of the want of the very facilities which they now offer.

4. Your petitioner, therefore, prays that your Honorable Body may be pleased to grant unto the said corporation your consent, as the local authorities mentioned in the act of the Legislature, above referred to, to the construction, maintenance, operation, use and extension of a street surface railroad, with a single or double track, on the surface of the soil, through, along and upon the line above described, and also through, along and upon any private property which your petitioner may acquire for that purpose, and also to the construction of such switches, sidings, turn-outs and turntables and suitable stands as may be necessary for the convenient working of such road.

THE SOUTHERN BOULEVARD RAILROAD COMPANY.

[SEAL.]

CHAS. S. BROWN, Secretary.

ROBT. A. CHRESEBROUGH, President,

Duplicate of petition, dated July 2, 1885.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

By the same—

Resolved, That Monday, the 8th day of February, 1886, at 12 o'clock, M., and the Chamber of the Board of Aldermen, be and hereby are designated as the time and place when and where the application of the Southern Boulevard Railroad Company to the Common Council of the City of New York, for its consent and permission for the construction, maintenance and operation of the street surface railroad described in the petition of said company for such consent, will be first considered; and that public notice be given by the Clerk of this Board, by publishing the same for fourteen days, exclusive of Sundays, in two newspapers published in this City, to be designated therefor by his Honor the Mayor, according to the provisions of chapter 252 of the Laws of 1884: such advertising to be at the expense of the petitioner.

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

By Alderman Ferrigan—

Petition of the New York Cable Railway Company, for permission to construct and operate a railway in certain streets in this City.

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

The New York Cable Railway Company, by its undersigned counsel, duly authorized thereto, petitioning your Honorable Body, would respectfully show:

That heretofore, and on the 30th day of November, 1883, the then Mayor of the City of New York appointed a so-called Rapid Transit Commission, pursuant to chapter 606 of the Laws of

1875. That such Commission, in the exercise of its powers, took such proceedings as resulted in the formation of your petitioner as a company for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating a cable traction railway or railways for public use in the conveyance of persons and property upon, along, through, over and across certain streets and avenues of the City of New York whenever the Common Council of the City, and a majority in value of the abutting owners, should consent thereto. That said Commission made a report of its proceedings on the day of April, 1884, to the Mayor of the City, which report contained a request to the said Mayor to transmit the same to the Board of Aldermen for such action as would confer consent of the Common Council for the construction and operation of said railway or railways.

That on the 30th day of June, 1884, the Mayor of the City of New York, in compliance with such request, transmitted to the then Board of Aldermen said report, together with the proceedings of said Commission, for consideration.

That the message of his Honor the Mayor transmitting said report and proceedings to said Board, was referred by said Board to its standing Committee on Railroads. That your petitioner, through its counsel, and many representatives of the largest property-owners of the city, was heard by said Railroad Committee in support of the recommendations of said report on numerous occasions and at great length.

That said Railroad Committee, on the 8th day of December, 1884, made a written report to the said Board of Aldermen, recommending that the consent of the Common Council be given for the construction and operation of said railway or railways, and submitted an appropriate resolution for adoption to that end, which report and resolution are as follows:

(G. O. §65.)

Your Committee, to whom was referred the message of his Honor the Mayor of June 30, 1884, transmitting for the consideration of the Board the report of the Commissioners appointed by his Honor, November 30, 1883, pursuant to chapter 606 of the Laws of 1875, has carefully considered the same.

The matter of that message, as disclosed in the documents accompanying it, seems to your Committee of paramount importance on the subject of city transit. It seems a scheme of intramural transit involving a system of railways longitudinally on the east and west sides of the city, from the Harlem river to the Battery, partly elevated and partly surface, with convenient cross-town lines between the Harlem river and the Battery to connect with these longitudinal or axial lines on the east and west sides of the city, so as to reach all the important ferries and connect with the present elevated lines. This system embraces about seventy miles of road, which, if completed, would furnish ample and desirable facilities for our up-town residents on the east and west sides, as well as all persons needing such facilities in the middle and lower parts of the city. This system gives for a single five-cent fare a passage over all these seventy miles in a continuous ride. Such a scheme of city transit should not be rejected if its pretensions can be found practicable. And coming to your Committee, as it does, with the recommendation of the Mayor's Commission, consisting of Edwin R. Livermore, Thomas E. Stewart (the former Park Commissioner), Edmund D. Randolph, Joseph N. DeVeau and Edward L. Hedden, the latter three being presidents of the leading banks of the city, and presided over by Edwin R. Livermore, a wealthy merchant, eminent for his service in freeing the Erie Canal from tolls, and admittedly sagacious in all questions involving the commercial needs in the way of transportation in this metropolis, your Committee could not fail to carefully consider the merits of that scheme. The advocates of it have been before us frequently, attended by representatives of the largest property-owners of the city; and from them and many other sources we have become informed as to the merits of the cable plan of operating street surface and elevated railways. It is common fame that Peter Cooper, of honored memory, for several years before his death urged the cable plan as the only proper plan of city transit, whether for surface, elevated or underground railways. But your Committee has not felt that it ought to recommend the comprehensive scheme of transit proposed by the Mayor's Commissioners without a most careful scrutiny. A majority of the Committee have visited Chicago since the recommendations of the Commissioners were laid before us by the Mayor; and we found in that city a cable road in operation. It was the most important surface street railroad in Chicago, and second to none for extent of traffic and public accommodation in any city of the world. It carries daily an average of over 120,000 passengers, or nearly 43,000,000 yearly. It goes into and passes through the parts of the city most thronged by vehicles and pedestrians. It turns sharp corners with facility. It slackens and hastens speed at the will of the driver. It pleases the people of all classes, and is everywhere and by everybody referred to as one of the chief attractions and benefits of the city. A part of Chicago through which this road is operated is crowded and choked with traffic as is our city at Ann and Fulton streets at Broadway.

Your Committee, being confirmed as to these facts, has made it a matter of careful inquiry to ascertain all the merits of the cable system. The details of information in our possession are too many to particularize; but they may be summarized briefly as follows:

It gives speed without danger.

It gives a constant service irrespective of snow and ice.

It gives unlimited supply of transit facilities on any given route, and a seat for all—there is no standing room needful to occupy.

It fails neither in summer heat or winter frost. Storms of snow, wind or rain cannot retard or prevail against its uniform and steady service. The sanitary considerations involved in its substitution for animal power (wherever animal power may not be prudently dispensed with) distinguish health from pestilence. These are but some of the advantages of the cable system, and when presented to the city with the scheme of the Mayor's Commissioners, involving, as it does, transit up-town, downtown, cross-town, for a single fare of five cents, on a line of seventy miles of road, which proposes such immense facilities for rich and poor, we cannot but recommend its adoption because we find that it is practicable.

Your Committee therefore recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Board, on behalf of the corporate authorities of the City of New York, hereby gives consent to the routes, parts of routes and branches adopted by the Commissioners appointed by the Mayor, November 30, 1883, as contained, described and set forth in the Articles of Association of the New York Cable Railway Company, transmitted to this Board as part of the report of said Commissioners, by the Mayor, June 30, 1884, which Articles of Association are a component part of the charter of said company, and as such were filed in the office of the Secretary of State and in the office of the Clerk of the County of New York, April 22, 1884; and further, that this Board, on behalf of the corporate authorities of the City of New York, hereby gives consent to the construction, maintenance and operation by the New York Cable Railway Company of the several railways mentioned and described in said Articles of Association, upon the several routes, parts of routes, and branches of routes fixed and determined by said Commissioners, and in the forms, manner, and under the terms and conditions fixed and described by said Commissioners and set forth in said Articles of Association, and also gives consent on behalf of the corporate authorities of the City of New York to the said company to remove pavements and crosswalks on said routes, parts of routes and branches, and do thereon the necessary digging and excavating for constructing, maintaining, operating and using steam railways for public use in the conveyance of persons and property in cars for compensation in the City of New York, and for building and laying tracks for said steam railways, and for all the necessary appurtenances thereto, and for maintaining and operating and using said steam railways on said routes, parts of routes and branches for the purposes aforesaid, pursuant to the terms and conditions prescribed and fixed by the said Commissioners in said Articles of Association of said New York Cable Railway Company; provided, however, that said The New York Cable Railway Company pay annually on or before the 31st of January in each and every year, to the Comptroller of the City of New York, for the use of said City, two and one half per centum of its net earnings for and during the preceding calendar year as a compensation for the franchises required by said company, pursuant to chapter 606 of the Laws of 1875, and the amendments thereof, such compensation to be in addition to all taxes said company may be liable for, or which may be imposed thereon, pursuant to law.

C. B. WAITE,
ROBERT E. DE LACY, } Committee
CHARLES DEMPSEY, } on
WM. H. MILLER, } Railroads.

That said report and resolution were laid over for future consideration of the Board, and that before the next meeting of said Board an abutting owner on one of the routes of your petitioner commenced an action against said Board and your petitioner, in the Court of Common Pleas, and obtained an injunction prohibiting said Board from consenting to the construction and operation of said railway or railways until the Court should dissolve the injunction. That said injunction was dissolved, but immediately another abutting owner brought a like suit and obtained a like injunction from a Justice of the Supreme Court, which injunction remained in full force and effect until about noon of Wednesday, December 31, 1884, and at too late an hour to give the then outgoing Mayor opportunity to consider whether he ought to approve the consent of said Board to the construction of said railway or railways in case said Board should adopt a resolution to that effect. And your petitioner is advised and believes that the said Board refrained from taking any action in the

matter and from giving such consent for that reason, and hence the matter was suffered to remain among the unfinished business of said Board at the time of its expiration.

That on the 2d day of February, 1885, your petitioner applied to the last preceding Board of Aldermen, reciting the above facts, and praying as it had done to the preceding Board, and its petition was referred to the Railroad Committee of said Board. That your petitioner, by its counsel, together with many property-owners of the City, frequently urged and argued for the granting of said petition before said Committee, and presented petitions in favor thereof, among which petitions was a petition signed by more than seventy thousand resident voters and workmen of the City of New York, each of whose signatures was duly verified under oath, and which petition was in words, as follows:

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

We, the undersigned, your petitioners, respectfully represent to your Honorable Body that, being obliged to ride almost daily between our homes and our places of business or occupation, we are familiar with the means now existing in this City for conveying passengers between different parts of it; that the present facilities are notoriously inadequate to the imperative necessities of our vast population, especially to the many thousands of that industrial portion, men and women, boys and girls, who must ride to reach their stores, offices and workshops, and who must live where they can conveniently ride, although it may be in locations so densely filled as to endanger their health.

Your petitioners also represent that we often find it necessary to change from one line of cars or omnibuses to another, and then are obliged to pay a second fare, sometimes working a positive injustice to us because the two intersecting lines belong to the same company.

Your petitioners, referring to the map hereto attached, are informed that the New York Cable Railway Company proposes to give increased and necessary facilities, and to remove the injustice above stated, by constructing several trunk lines and railroads, extending from Kingsbridge and the Harlem river to the Battery, with cross-town branches at frequent intervals, running from the East river to the Hudson river, and connecting with all the ferries on both sides of the City, whereby passengers may travel by a continuous ride anywhere on all the trunk lines and branches for a single fare of five cents, without any charge for changing cars to reach any point on either of the intersecting lines.

Your petitioners respectfully represent that, important as it is for all classes to have more and better railway facilities and a single fare, it is immeasurably so to the thousands of women, girls and boys who work early and late for a daily compensation that affords a bare subsistence. Transfer from one line to another means to them a great saving of time, health and strength, and one fare instead of two or three is equal to an increase in wages.

Your petitioners believe that the construction of the railways of the New York Cable Railway Company on all the routes as shown on the map, will result in developing and increasing the value of property in parts of the City now difficult of access, and thereby reduce the percentage of the annual tax levy; but what is of immeasurably greater importance will be the benefits—the saving in money, in time and in health—to the vast multitude of working people whose daily payment of fares constitute the largest part of revenue to the railroads of this City.

Your petitioners, therefore, earnestly request that your Honorable Body will consent to the application of the New York Cable Railway Company now before the Common Council, to construct and operate their system of railroads.

The said petition is embodied in about three hundred lists, all of which were bound together and presented to the said last Board of Aldermen, and by it referred to its said Railroad Committee, and may be found on its files. That said Railroad Committee omitted to report upon your petitioner's request prior to the 8th day of December, 1885, whereupon the Board discharged its Committee from the further consideration of said request, and the same was brought before the Board in open session for action, but was not read or considered.

Your petitioner would, therefore, now pray that your Honorable Body do now take the report and proceedings of said Rapid Transit Commissioners, transmitted to your said predecessors by his Honor the Mayor, on the 30th day of June, 1884, into consideration and take such action thereon as may be proper.

And your petitioner will ever pray.

Dated NEW YORK, January 19, 1886.

THE NEW YORK CABLE RAILWAY COMPANY,

By CH. P. SHAW, Counsel.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

By Alderman Morgan—

Petition for change of route of the Fifth Avenue Transportation Company, as follows:

To the Honorable the Mayor, and to the Common Council of the City of New York:

The petition of the Fifth Avenue Transportation Company, Limited, respectfully represents:

Your petitioner is a corporation under the laws of the State of New York, and was organized for the purpose of operating, under the requisite authority, a line of stages, from Eighty-ninth street, on Fifth avenue and along such avenue through Washington Park and South Fifth avenue to Bleeker Street Elevated Railway station and return.

Heretofore, and in or about the year 1850, as your petitioner is informed and believes, a franchise and privilege were granted by the proper city authorities, for the using as a stage or omnibus route of Fifth avenue, from Forty-third street to Eleventh street; through Eleventh street to Broadway, and down Broadway to Fulton street and Fulton Ferry and return; and said franchise and said route were thereafter practically and continuously used, with a modification in the latter, from Eleventh street to Fourteenth street, until in or about the month of June, 1885, when the practical running of stages on the said route was suspended.

Your petitioner is the beneficial owner and transferee of the said franchise and privilege from the owners thereof, between Eleventh and Forty-third streets on Fifth avenue, and of the licenses issued thereunder. The residue of said route has been rendered unnecessary and useless by the construction and operation of the Broadway Railway, and is now of no practical value.

Your petitioner is desirous of operating its line of stages from Eleventh street, along Fifth avenue, through Washington Square and South Fifth avenue to the Elevated Railway station in Bleeker street and return, and also of extending its route on Fifth avenue, from Forty-third street to Eighty-ninth street and return.

Your petitioner therefore prays your consent that the former route may be altered south of Eleventh street, from Broadway and Fulton street to Eleventh street, south through Fifth avenue, Washington Square and South Fifth avenue to the Elevated Railway station in Bleeker street and return, and that the said route may be extended on Fifth avenue, from Forty-third to Eighty-ninth street and return.

Your petitioner makes this application in good faith, and for the purpose, if it is granted, of immediately placing upon said altered and extended route and thereafter of operating thereon a line of stages of a new pattern, between the termini thereof.

A majority of the owners of property upon the streets and avenues in or upon which said altered and extended route or privilege is to be operated have already consented in writing thereto. Annexed hereto is a copy of such consent. The original thereof is now in the possession of your petitioner and the signatures thereto are genuine.

And your petitioner will ever pray, etc.

THE FIFTH AVENUE TRANSPORTATION COMPANY, LIMITED,

By ELY ELY GODDARD, its President.

City and County of New York, ss.:

E. Ely Goddard, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the President of the Fifth Avenue Transportation Company, Limited, and that the matters and things in the foregoing petition contained are true to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

ELY ELY GODDARD.

Sworn to before me, this 11th day of January, 1886.

JOS. T. BROWN, Notary Public, N. Y. Co.

Which was referred to the Committee on Ferries and Franchises.

By the same—

Petition to change terminus of ferry at Ninety-ninth street, East river, to Ninety-sixth street, East river.

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

GENTLEMEN—Under date of May 16, 1883, the following resolution was passed by the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York, and approved of by the Mayor May 22, 1883, viz.:

"That a ferry be and is hereby established from a point at or near the foot of Ninety-ninth street, East river, New York City, to College Point, Queens County, Long Island, and the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund be and are hereby authorized and directed to sell, at public auction, to the highest responsible bidder or bidders, the right to operate the ferry hereby established, on such terms and conditions, and subject to such restrictions and regulations, as may be prescribed by said Commissioners.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen May 16, 1883, a majority of all of the members elected voting in favor thereof.

Approved by the Mayor May 22, 1883.

(Signed) F. J. TWOMEY, Clerk of the Common Council.

On motion, the resolution was referred to the Comptroller.

The location of the point at or near the foot of Ninety-ninth street not being desirable, nor the water-front there owned by the city, large enough for such an enterprise, we, as citizens and real

estate owners, respectfully ask your Honorable Board to change that part of the resolution, "from a point at or near Ninety-ninth street," to "a point at or near Ninety-sixth street," as there are better facilities on the latter point to operate a ferry between the City of New York and College Point, Long Island.

Very respectfully,

HUGO FUNKE,
ALFRED L. POPPENHUSEN,
JUAN VAN AUW,
HERMANN SCHLESCHER,
HERMAN FUNKE,
F. A. BOKER.

Which was referred to the Committee on Ferries and Franchises.

REPORTS.

The Committee on Lands, Places, and Park Department, to which was referred the annexed preamble and resolution, relating to the extension of the Brooklyn Bridge approach on the New York side to the City Hall Park, across Centre street, and the contemplated seizure and confiscation of a portion of the City Hall Park, for the use of the patrons of the bridge, respectfully

REPORT:

That, in the year 1881, a similar attempt was unsuccessfully made, as it met with the most persistent opposition of the Common Council of this city for that year.

A legislative act proposed to take a strip of land about one hundred and sixty feet long by thirty feet wide at the widest point on the east side of the park, which included the present Hall of Records. The amount proposed to be seized by the bill presented in the present Legislature of this State, your Committee are unable to state. It is clear to the minds of your Committee, however, that not one square inch of the land included in the City Hall Park should ever be surrendered for the purpose contemplated, or for any other purpose apart from the public uses of our own citizens, and no effort should be spared by this Common Council to prevent the consummation of the scheme.

Your Committee believes that to reproduce the preamble and resolutions adopted by the Common Council June 21, 1881, would be all that is necessary to show the opinions held by the representatives of the people of this City at that time, in respect to the seizure of a portion of the City Hall Park, and to recommend that the present Common Council endorse and ratify the views therein contained as being entirely applicable to the case, as it exists at present. The preamble and resolution were introduced into the Common Council by the lamented Alderman William Sauer, since deceased, and received the unanimous vote of every member present at the time. The preamble and resolutions were, however, vetoed by the Mayor, June 30, 1881.

"Whereas, It appears to be in contemplation by the Trustees of the Brooklyn Bridge to seize upon the Hall of Records and a considerable portion of the City Hall Park, and they have prepared and caused to be presented in the Legislature of this State, now in session, a bill, with that object in view; and

"Whereas, This Common Council would be recreant to its trust and derelict in its duties, did it not protest against the proposed sequestration of the corporate property; and

"Whereas, If any portion of the land or buildings included within the limits of the City Hall Park can be taken by the Bridge Trustees, or others, without the consent of the Corporation of the City of New York, and in opposition to its wishes, the whole may be so taken; and

"Whereas, The people of this city should use every legal means to prevent this spoliation; the infamy of the proposed seizure of a portion of 'the Commons,' now the City Hall Park, is aggravated by the fact, that for the ordinary purposes of travel over the bridge, the land to be seized is not necessary, the open space where it terminates in Chatham street, at Tryon Row square, being ample for all ordinary purposes, and the seizure, at this time, is evidently to serve some ulterior purpose—one which it does not require the aid of prophecy to divine, as the rapid transit system of railroads in the City of Brooklyn will be incomplete without an outlet in the very heart of this city. The successful operation of this scheme, and to insure large dividends to its stockholders, renders a lodgment in this city a necessity. The Brooklyn Bridge is largely the means to this end, and all that is needful to complete them is convenient terminal facilities in this city. What more desirable location for depots, etc., etc., than the City Hall Park? By this means the value of the stock of the Brooklyn Companies will be largely enhanced, and land-owners in the suburbs of Brooklyn and the outlying towns and villages on Long Island will be brought into active competition with owners of property in this city, with a decided advantage in favor of the former, and to the lasting and irreparable injury to the progress of this city in wealth and population; and

"Whereas, Not content with forcing our tax-payers to pay millions of dollars towards defraying the cost of their bridge structure—for the sole benefit of the City of Brooklyn—these trustees now propose to sequester some of the most valuable property within our city limits—property pledged to the bondholders of this city, in order to inflict still greater injury upon this city and its most vital interests. Tax payers of New York City, and all others interested in the future progress of our metropolis, your interests are menaced with a new danger, and if you permit the fruition of this new scheme to plunder you, the loss will be wholly yours. In the hope, therefore, of being instrumental in preventing this proposed spoliation of the City Hall Park—the Common—revere for its memories by every New Yorker; be it

"Resolved, That this Common Council, representing the People of the City of New York, hereby in the most earnest and emphatic, yet respectful manner, protest against the passage of any act, by the Legislature of this State, having for its object the surrender of any portion of the City Hall Park, or any of the buildings therein, for the uses and purposes of the Trustees of the Brooklyn Bridge, or for any other than the purposes for which they are now, and from time immemorial have been used, and the members of the Legislature representing constituencies in this city are hereby requested to use every honorable effort to prevent the passage of any such law; and be it further

Resolved, That the Clerk of this Board be and he is hereby instructed to transmit a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolution, duly authenticated by his signature, to his Excellency the Governor of this State, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the Assembly, and to each representative from this City, in the State Legislature."

If the foregoing is adopted by your Honorable Body, as your Committee sincerely trust it will be, there need be no apprehension regarding the result. It is not in the power of the Legislature to deprive the Corporation of the City of New York, without its consent, of property held by grant from the British Crown. This was clearly demonstrated in the case of the law passed to remove the distributing reservoir at Forty-second street, without the consent of the City Corporation. Judge Macomber, in his decision in that case, says: "The land which is covered by the reservoir, together with the land west of it, known as Reservoir Square, was granted, in fee simple, to the City by what is known as the Dongan charter. (So was the City Hall Park or Commons.) The charter is substantially embraced in the Montgomerie charter, so called, of 1730. The third section of the Dongan charter grants to the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the said City of New York, 'all the waste, vacant, unpatented and unappropriated lands lying and being within the said City of New York and on Manhattan Island;' and the sixth section provides 'that the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of New York be and shall be forever hereafter persons able in law capable to have, get, receive and possess lands, tenements, rents, liberties, jurisdictions, franchises and hereditaments, to them and their successors, in fee simple or for a term of life, lives or years, or otherwise.'" The same powers and rights were restated in the 36th and 37th sections of the Montgomerie charter, which was confirmed by the Colonial Legislature of 1732, and again by the Constitutions of 1777, 1821 and 1846. The learned judge in deciding the act of the Legislature for the removal of the reservoir, without the consent of the owners and without compensation, to be unconstitutional and void, says: "The lands in question, therefore are owned by the city, in fee simple absolute. (So is the City Hall Park.) This was so held in the case of Furman vs. New York, 5 Sandford, S. C., 16, and in the same case, 10 N. Y., 567. If, therefore, the Legislature has undertaken by its acts to destroy the property of this Corporation, or to deprive the city of its use, without just compensation, it has violated a fundamental law of the State."

I perceive no difference between the tenure of property thus held by the city, and the proprietary rights of natural persons or private corporations. This privilege, however, is peculiar, in this State, to the City of New York. Its corporate name is the same that it has had for upwards of two hundred years, long antedating the organization of the State as an independent political entity. And while it was doubtless competent, when the British rule ceased, for the State to take from the city its property rights and privileges, as an episode of the Revolution, it is sufficient to say it did not see fit to do so. Having once recognized such right by the organic law of 1777, and having become, ten years afterwards, amenable to the provisions of the Constitution of the United States, by which it was prohibited to pass any law impairing the obligations of contracts, it is not, in my judgment, competent for the State, under cover of exercising political powers, to take away from the city any vested rights of property. It seems to me that such rights are as indestructible by legislative act as are the property rights of citizens."

No appeal was taken from this decision of Judge Macomber, which so clearly defines and defends the rights of the Corporation of the City of New York, as proprietors, and confirms its control of the real property it so holds in fee simple absolute; hence it is not competent for the Legislature to deprive the City of its use or ownership, without its consent, or upon payment of a just compensation.

Should the State Legislature, however, see fit to disregard the provisions of law above quoted, it is only necessary that some public-spirited citizen should emulate the example of Messrs. William H. Webb, Orlando B. Potter and Nathan C. Ely, who instituted the legal proceedings in the case of the removal of the Forty-second street Reservoir, and prosecuted them to a successful termination, by commencing a suit at law to save the City Hall Park from spoliation, and prevent the extension of the bridge structure across Chatham street, at Tryon Row; that a like result would attend such a proceeding is a foregone conclusion, as the facts are alike in both cases—Reservoir Square and the City Hall Park both belong to the Corporation—are held and owned by the same title; and the same provisions of law are applicable to both.

Your Committee, therefore, are clearly of opinion that the Corporation of the City of New York should protest against the seizure of any portion of the City Hall Park, or any of the buildings thereon, by adopting the preamble and resolution quoted in this report, as a preliminary measure. Subsequent events may, and we trust will, render any further action unnecessary on the part of the Corporation of the City.

Your Committee, therefore, respectfully recommends the adoption of the preamble and resolutions above referred to and contained in this report, as a protest by the Corporation of the City of New York against the seizure or appropriation of any portion of the City Hall Park, or any of the buildings therein, by the Trustees of the Brooklyn Bridge, as contemplated in a bill now pending before the State Legislature, introduced by Senator Griswold.

JAMES J. MOONEY,
JAMES E. FITZGERALD,
JAMES A. COWIE,
JOHN J. RYAN,
PETER B. MASTERSON, } Committee on
Lands, Places and
Park Department.

Alderman Van Rensselaer moved to amend the first preamble of the preamble to the resolutions, by striking out the words "to seize upon the Hall of Records and a considerable," before the word "portion," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "appropriate a."

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

He then moved to amend by striking out the whole of the fourth and fifth paragraphs. The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said amendment. Which was decided in the affirmative.

The President then put the question whether the Board would agree with said preamble and resolutions as amended.

Which was decided in the affirmative unanimously.

The Committee on Streets, to which was referred the accompanying resolution and ordinance for fencing vacant lots on the south side of One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues, respectfully

REPORT :

That your Committee are averse to ordering the work of fencing to be done by the City at the expense of the owner, until he has first had notice of the proposed fencing, and he has been afforded an opportunity to do the work at his own expense. Accordingly the following resolution is respectfully offered for your adoption, in lieu of the resolution referred to your Committee :

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to notify the owner of the vacant lots on the south side of One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street, beginning about three hundred and twenty-five feet west of Seventh avenue, and extending westerly about fifty feet to cause such lots to be fenced in, within a period of sixty days after such notification, and in the event of a refusal or neglect on the part of such owner or owners to comply with such notice, that the Commissioners report the same to this Board.

HENRY W. JAEHNE,
JACOB HUNSICKER,
ROBERT LANG,
PATK. F. FERRIGAN, } Committee
on
Streets.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

PETITIONS RESUMED.

By Alderman Mooney—

Petition of the Harlem Bridge, Morrisania and Fordham Railway Company, for permission to construct and maintain a railroad in certain streets of the City.

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

The Harlem Bridge, Morrisania and Fordham Railway Company hereby makes application for the consent of your Honorable Body that the said company may construct, maintain, operate, use and extend a railroad on the surface of the soil in the City of New York as follows, viz. : with a double track from the formerly southerly terminus of the Boston Post road, now North Third avenue, to, along and upon the Harlem Bridge and Third avenue to East One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street ; and thence through, along and upon East One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street to the Second avenue.

And also, that it may build and construct connections and branches of said railway on the surface of the soil, and maintain and operate the same as a street railway on, through, upon and along the following streets, avenues and highways in the City and County and State of New York, over the routes from and to the places designated as follows, to wit : Commencing at North Third avenue, at or near East One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street ; running thence through, upon and along Morris avenue, with double tracks, to East One Hundred and Forty-ninth street ; thence through, upon and along East One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, with single track, to Courtland avenue ; thence through, upon and along Courtland avenue, with double tracks, to East One Hundred and Sixty-first street.

Also, from tracks on Morris avenue and East One Hundred and Forty-eighth street, through, upon and along East One Hundred and Forty-eighth street, with single track, to Courtland avenue ; thence through, upon and along Courtland avenue, with double track, to connect with the track at East One Hundred and Forty-ninth street of said corporation.

Also, from the track on Courtland avenue, at East One Hundred and Forty-eighth street, through, upon and along Courtland avenue, with double tracks, to connect with the tracks of said corporation on North Third avenue.

Also, from East One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, through, upon and along Mott avenue, with double tracks, to East One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street ; thence through, upon and along East One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, with double tracks, to the entrance of the Fleetwood Park.

Also, from the tracks of said corporation at the intersection of East One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street and the Southern Boulevard, through, upon and along the Southern Boulevard, with double tracks to a point at or near the intersection of Leggett's lane and the Southern Boulevard.

Also, from the tracks of said corporation on North Third avenue, opposite to Elton avenue, through, upon and along said North Third avenue and said Elton avenue, with double tracks to Washington avenue ; thence through, upon and along Washington avenue, with double tracks to Peiham avenue.

Also, from the tracks of said corporation on North Third avenue, opposite to Willis avenue, through, upon and along North Third avenue and Willis avenue, with double tracks to connect with the tracks of said corporation on East One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street.

Also, from the tracks of said corporation on East One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, through, along and upon Brook avenue, with double tracks, to a point formed by the intersection of Brook, Elton and Washington avenues.

And also, may construct such switches, sidings, turn-outs, and turn-tables, and suitable stands as may be necessary for the convenient working of such roads.

State of New York, City and County of New York, ss :

Henry Spratley, being duly sworn, says, I am the President of the Harlem River, Morrisania and Fordham Railway Company ; I have read the foregoing petition, and the same is true of my own knowledge, except as to the matters therein stated to be alleged upon information and belief, and that as to those matters I believe it to be true.

HENRY SPATLEY, President, H. B. M. and F. R'y Co.

Sworn to before me this 18th day of January, 1886.

WILLIAM F. HIERES,

Notary Public, County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Alderman Mooney—

Resolved, That East One Hundred and Fiftieth street, between Mott avenue and Walton avenue, be paved with granite-block pavement, and that crosswalks be laid at the terminating avenues, under the direction of the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks.

Which was referred to the Committee on Street Pavements.

By Alderman De Lacy—

Whereas, The power to regulate the use of the streets and sidewalks for signs, sign-posts, awnings, awning-posts, horse-troughs, urinals, telegraph posts and other purposes is vested by law or charter exclusively in the Common Council of this City ; and

Whereas, It has been quite recently held by the courts that it is not competent for the Common Council to delegate any of its powers, but they must be regarded as "public powers and trusts, devolved by law or charter upon the Common Council, or governing body, to be exercised by it when and in such manner as it shall judge best, and cannot be delegated to others ;" and

Whereas, The ordinance approved February 24, 1866, vesting in the Mayor, the power "to regulate permits for street stands, show-cases, signs, stairways, hoistways and deliveries," and the several amendments thereto ; also sections 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290 and 291 of article XXX. of chapter 8 of the Revised Ordinances of 1880, and all the amendments thereto, including the resolutions approved April 8, 1884, which went into effect May 1, 1884, delegating this power to the Mayor through the Register of Permits, are clearly illegal, and every such permit so granted is null and void, and of no binding effect ; be it therefore

Resolved, That the said ordinance approved February 24, 1866, and the several amendments thereto, "to regulate permits for street stands, show-cases, signs, stairways, hoistways and deliv-

eries ;" also sections 281 to 291, inclusive, of article XXX. of chapter 8 of the Revised Ordinances of 1880, and the several amendments thereto, including the resolutions approved April 8, 1884, which went into effect May 1, 1884, delegating like powers to the Mayor, through the Register of Permits, be and they are hereby severally and respectively annulled, rescinded and repealed, and the said office of Register of Permits be and is hereby abolished.

Alderman Van Rensselaer moved that the subject be laid over for one week

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

Which was decided in the negative.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Bennett—

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause the Croton water-mains to be laid and extended along Riverside avenue, with all necessary connections, and that he be further authorized and directed to cause the Croton-water to be conducted through said Riverside avenue, with all reasonable speed, as provided in section 356, chapter 410, Laws of 1882 (the Consolidation Act).

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Cavanagh—

Resolved, That the sidewalks on the south side of Leroy street, from Greenwich street to West street, be flagged full width, where not already so flagged, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works ; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Cleary—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to J. Van Brimmer to place and keep an ornamental lamp-post and lamp, on the sidewalk, near the curb, in front of Nos. 17 and 19 Park Row, provided such post shall not exceed the dimensions prescribed by ordinance, and that the work be done and gas supplied at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works ; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By the same—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Frank Byrne to place and keep an ornamental lamp on the unused lamp-post owned by the City, located on the northwest corner of Broadway and Cedar street, provided the lamp and the gas consumed therein be furnished at his own expense ; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By the same—

Resolved, That a lamp-post be erected and street-lamp lighted in front of No. 80 Greenwich street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By the same—

Resolved, That lamp-post and lamp now on the sidewalk in front of No. 153 Cedar street be removed and placed in front of No. 147 Cedar street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Cowie—

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to have placed on each lamp-post having the fire-alarm box attached on said lamp-post a red globe or shade, and the said lamp-post to be lighted the same as all other lamps that are now in use, the expense of the same to be charged to account of "Lamps and Gas and Electric Lighting."

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

By Alderman De Lacy—

Whereas, Section 710 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, provides as follows :

"The said Commissioner of Street Cleaning, with the approval of the Mayor, may provide for cremating or burning the street refuse or garbage, and may, through the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, lease or purchase land for the erection thereon of suitable crematories or furnaces ;" and

Whereas, The present method of disposing of street refuse or garbage imposes a very large expenditure upon the city, which has been the cause of repeated complaints and protests from the United States authorities, the Harbor Commissioners, the Chamber of Commerce, and others, as being the cause of filling up and destroying our harbor and polluting its waters ; and

Whereas, The New York Sanitary and Fertilizer Company has submitted to the Commissioner of Street Cleaning and to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, a proposition to erect, at its own expense and without charge to the city, a furnace for cremating the street refuse and garbage of the city, provided that the authorities mentioned in section 710 of the New York City Consolidation Act, shall appropriate or set apart a piece of land of the dimensions of 50 by 150 feet for such purpose ; and the said company further proposes to dispose of or consume, without expense to the city, all street refuse or garbage which may be delivered at such furnace or furnaces by the Department of Street Cleaning ; be it, therefore,

Resolved, That, in view of the apparent pecuniary and other advantages which will result to the city from such disposition of the street refuse and garbage, and in view of the fact that no expense will be imposed upon the city through the experiment other than the appropriation of the necessary land, the Mayor, the Commissioner of Street Cleaning, and the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund are hereby requested to take the necessary action to have set apart a suitable piece of land for the erection of a furnace by said company and for the delivery by the Department of Street Cleaning of street refuse and garbage at such furnace, in order that this method of disposing of the material may be fully and practically tested.

Which was referred to the Committee on Street Cleaning.

By Alderman Farrell—

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps placed thereon and lighted in Thirtieth street, from First avenue to the East river, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Lamps and Gas.

By Alderman Ferrigan—

Resolved, That One Hundred and Fourteenth street, from Fourth to Eighth avenue, be regulated and graded, the curb-stones be set, and the sidewalks, on both sides, be flagged a space four feet wide through the centre thereof, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works ; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Masterson—

Resolved, That Sixty-fifth street, from Tenth to Eleventh avenues, be paved with trap-block pavement and that crosswalks be laid at the terminating avenues where required, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works ; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Street Pavements.

By Alderman Ryan—

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby requested to include in the list of streets to be repaved this year, as provided in chapter 476, Laws of 1875, Cherry street, from Catharine to Jackson street, and Jackson street from Cherry to Grand street.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Fitzgerald—

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to the Managers of the "Yorkville Mission" to place and keep a transparency over each of the public lamps located at the corners of Third and Lexington avenues and Fifty-fourth street ; such permission to continue only for Wednesday evening, January 20, 1886.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By the same—

Resolved, That Croton water-pipes be laid in Avenue A, from Fifty-fourth to Fifty-fifth street, as provided in section 356 of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882 (the Consolidation Act).

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Masterson—

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby requested to cause a sewer to be built in One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, from Seventh to Eighth avenue.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By the same—

Resolved, That Sixty-fifth street, from Tenth to Eleventh avenue, be regulated and graded, curb-stones set and sidewalks flagged a space four feet wide through the centre thereof, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By the same—

Resolved, That West End avenue, from Sixty-fourth street to the Boulevard, be numbered and renumbered, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

(G. O. 14.)

By the same—

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby directed to cause to be removed the fire-hydrant now in front of No. 912 Seventh avenue, and have the same placed at the centre-line of the block on Seventh avenue, between Fifty-seventh and Fifty-eighth streets.

Which was laid over.

By the same—

Resolved, That One Hundred and First street, from Eighth avenue to Manhattan avenue, be regulated, graded, curbed and sidewalks flagged a space four feet wide, where not already done; under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Menninger—

Resolved, That Philip Gratz, Jr., be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By the same—

Resolved, That Michael A. Bortscheller be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By the President—

Resolved, That Philip A. Harris and William H. Newman be and are hereby appointed respectively Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Quinn—

Resolved, That Nicholas Seagrist be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Diver—

Resolved, That Austin D. Ewen be and he is hereby appointed a City Surveyor.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Earle—

Resolved, That Leonard Bronner be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By the same—

Resolved, That Charles E. O'Connor be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Charles E. O'Connor, who was recently appointed, but failed to qualify.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Farrell—

Resolved, That Michael C. O'Beirne, Harry C. Child, James J. Neville and Charles W. Pfeiffer be and they are hereby appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Ferrigan—

Resolved, That Osbourn H. McKee be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Resolved, That James J. Fox be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Fitzgerald—

Resolved, That Lewis S. Marx be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds, whose term of office expires February 4, 1886.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By the same—

Resolved, That Robert Elliot be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Hunsicker—

Resolved, That Wm. Geo. Oppenheim be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By the same—

Resolved, That Andrew Prose and August C. Wachterling be and they are hereby appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Vice-President Jaehne—

Resolved, That George Coutin d'Arcy, Luigi Omodei, Wm. H. Van Gerichten, George L. Dimond and Frederick Wm. Eckhardt, Jr., be and they are hereby appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Masterson—

Resolved, That Philip Gratz, Jr., Patrick Connolly, George T. Capron, Oliver Porter, W. H. McIntyre, Jr., Theodore A. Burnett be and they are hereby appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Mooney—

Resolved, That Arthur C. Ewen be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By the same—

Resolved, That Thomas J. Robinson be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By the same—

Resolved, That Charles S. Hayes be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City of New York, in place of Charles S. Hayes, whose term of office expires January 31, 1886.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Morgan—

Resolved, That Joseph Ullman be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds, in the place of Joseph Ullman, whose term of office will expire January 31, 1886.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By the same—

Resolved, That Moses Weinman be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman O'Neil—

Resolved, That Philip N. Gaulon be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds, whose term of office expires January 31, 1886.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Quinn—

Resolved, That Otto Pullich, Peter P. White, James McGovern, Francis B. Kineke, James Dolan, Samuel Fleischman, James Grady, John J. Kearney, George Mader, James J. Galligan be and they are hereby appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Ryan—

Resolved, That Herman Josephs, Joseph M. Alexander and John W. McMahon be and they are hereby respectively appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Smith—

Resolved, That Cornelius J. Kane be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By the same—

Resolved, That Joseph H. Lyon, Frank R. Brady, James Tichborne, and Morris Jacoby be and they are hereby respectively appointed as Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS RESUMED.

Vice-President Jaehne moved to take from on file a communication from the Department of Public Charities and Correction, relative to continuing the present telephone service during the year 1886, without contract.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Whereupon Vice-President Jaehne offered the following:

(G. O. 15.)

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Department of Public Charities and Correction be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to continue the present connections with the several institutions under their charge, during the year 1886, by telephone, without advertising the same for public competition, and contracting therefor, pursuant to the provisions of section 64, chapter 410, Laws of 1882.

Which was laid over.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS AND CORPORATION OFFICERS.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Public Administrator:

LAW DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF NEW YORK, BUREAU OF THE PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR,
No. 49 BEEKMAN STREET,
NEW YORK, January 14, 1886.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

The Public Administrator, pursuant to chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, chapter VII., section 242 of said act, herewith exhibits to the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York a statement, on oath, of the moneys received by him for commissions and expenses, and of the total amount of his receipts and expenditures in each case in which he took charge and collected any effects, or on which he administered on any estate during the year 1885, with the name of deceased, his occupation, the place of his residence at the time of his death, where known, and the country or place from which he came, if he were not a resident of this State at the time of his death.

Respectfully,

RICHARD J. MORRISON, Public Administrator.

(For statement see CITY RECORD hereafter.)

Which was ordered on file and directed to be printed in the CITY RECORD.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The President laid before the Board a communication from the New York Catholic Protectory, being its twenty-third annual report.

Which was ordered on file.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

Alderman Diver moved that the petition of Eugene A. Hoffman, to name the block bounded by Ninth and Tenth avenues, and Twentieth and Twenty-first streets, as "Chelsea Square," be taken from on file.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman Diver moved that the paper be referred to the Committee on Streets.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

REPORTS RESUMED.

(G. O. 16.)

The Committee on Street Pavements, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of paving Washington street, from Little West Twelfth street to Fourteenth street and to lay crosswalks, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed improvement to be necessary, as the street has been but recently opened, and has never been paved. They therefore recommend that the said resolution and ordinance be adopted.

Resolved, That the roadway of Washington street, from Little West Twelfth to Fourteenth street, be paved with granite-block pavement, and that crosswalks be laid at the intersecting and terminating streets where required, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

JOHN CAVANAGH,
JACOB HUNSICKER,
JAMES J. MOONEY,
JOHN QUINN,
JAMES A. COWIE, } Committee
on
Street Pavements.

Which was laid over.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Alderman Masterson, by unanimous consent, called up G. O. 4, being a resolution, as follows: Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to lay water-mains in Eleventh avenue and Boulevard, between One Hundred and Thirty-eighth and One Hundred and Seventy-third streets, pursuant to section 356 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, Vice-President Jaehne, Aldermen Bennett, Cavanagh, Cleary, Corcoran, Cowie, De Lacy, Diver, Earle, Farrell, Ferrigan, Fitzgerald, Hunsicker, Lang, Masterson, Menninger, Mooney, Morgan, Murray, O'Neil, Quinn, Ryan, Smith, and Van Rensselaer—25.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

Vice-President Jaehne moved that the Board do now adjourn.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the President announced that the Board stood adjourned until Tuesday, the 26th instant, at 1 o'clock P. M.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK,
MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,
TUESDAY, January 19, 1886—12.30 o'clock P. M.

The Board met in pursuance of the following call:

OFFICE OF THE MAYORALTY,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT—CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, January 16, 1886.

In pursuance of the authority contained in the 18th section of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, a meeting is hereby called of the Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, constituting a Board of Estimate and Apportionment, to be held at the office of the Mayor, on Tuesday, January 19, 1886, at 12.30 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of transacting such business as may be brought before the Board.

INDORSED:

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Admission of a copy of the within as served upon us this 16th day of January, 1886.

W. R. GRACE,
Mayor.

EDWARD V. LOEW,
Comptroller;

ROBERT B. NOONEY,
President of the Board of Aldermen;

M. COLEMAN,
President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments.

Present—All the members, viz.:

Wm. R. Grace, the Mayor; Edward V. Loew, the Comptroller; Robert B. Nooney, the President of the Board of Aldermen; Michael Coleman, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments.

The minutes of the meeting held December 31, 1885, were read and approved.

The Comptroller moved that the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments act as Secretary to the Board.
Which was unanimously agreed to.

The Comptroller moved that Charles V. Adea act as Clerk to the Board.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

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

The Comptroller moved to amend the title of the appropriation in the Final Estimate for 1886, "For Support of Children Committed by Police Magistrates to various Charitable Institutions in the City of New York, at a per capita allowance of \$2 per week—Deficiency for year 1885"—by striking out the word "Police."

Which was adopted by the following vote :

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

Simon Stevens and Lawrence Turnure appeared before the Board and made statements relative to leasing by the City of one-half of Pier 12, East river, for the use of the Department of Street Cleaning.

On motion, the matter was referred to the Comptroller to report upon.

The President of the Board of Aldermen was excused from further attendance at this session of the Board.

D. Lowber Smith, Deputy Commissioner of Public Works, appeared before the Board and made a statement relative to the transfer of certain appropriations in the said Department.

The Comptroller offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of eight hundred dollars (\$800) be and is hereby transferred from the appropriation entitled "Salaries—Department of Public Works—For Salaries chargeable to Bronx River Works—Maintenance and Repairs," 1885, which is in excess of the amount required for the purposes and object thereof, to the appropriation entitled "Bronx River Works—Maintenance and Repairs," 1885, which is insufficient for the objects and purposes thereof.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—3.

The Comptroller offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of two thousand five hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$2,575), be and is hereby transferred from the appropriations to the Department of Public Works for the year 1885, as follows :

"Salaries—Department of Public Works :

"For Salaries chargeable to Supplies for and Cleaning Public Offices" \$1,465 00
"For Salaries chargeable to Laying Croton Pipes" 1,110 00

\$2,575 00

—which are in excess of the amounts required for the objects and purposes of said appropriations respectively, to the appropriation entitled "Salaries—Department of Public Works—For Salaries chargeable to Repairs and Renewal of Pipes, Stop-cocks, etc.," which is insufficient for the purposes thereof.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—3.

The Chairman offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the appropriation to "Salaries—Mayor's Office," for the year 1885, the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation for "Contingencies—Mayor's Office," for the same year, the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—3.

The Comptroller offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the amounts following be and hereby are appropriated from the "Excise Fund," under the provisions of section 210, chapter 410, Laws of 1882 (New York City Consolidation Act of 1882), for the support of children in the month of September, 1885, committed by magistrates to the institutions named, pursuant to law :

| NAME. | NUMBER OF CHILDREN. | DAYS. | RATE. | AMOUNT. |
|---|---------------------|--------|---------------|-------------|
| Institution of Mercy..... | 897 | 26,081 | \$2 per week. | \$7,281 71 |
| St. Joseph's Asylum..... | 479 | 13,997 | " | 3,636 14 |
| St. Stephen's Home for Children..... | 515 | 13,973 | " | 3,832 79 |
| Mission of the Immaculate Virgin..... | 1,027 | 29,685 | " | 8,155 43 |
| Missionary Sisters, Third Order of St. Francis..... | 458 | 13,247 | " | 3,784 86 |
| Asylum Sisters of St. Dominic..... | 384 | 11,258 | " | 3,216 57 |
| Dominican Convent of Our Lady of the Rosary..... | 364 | 10,401 | " | 2,965 71 |
| Association for the Benefit of Colored Orphans..... | 116 | 3,454 | " | 945 85 |
| St. James' Home..... | 138 | 4,036 | " | 1,153 14 |
| Association for Befriending Children and Young Girls..... | 25 | 626 | " | 178 86 |
| St. Ann's Home..... | 30 | 884 | " | 252 57 |
| American Female Guardian Society and Home for the Friendless..... | 130 | 3,565 | " | 829 57 |
| Asylum of St. Vincent de Paul..... | 55 | 1,650 | " | 471 43 |
| St. Agatha's Home for Children..... | 136 | 4,051 | " | 1,076 43 |
| St. Michael's Home..... | 49 | 1,359 | " | 388 29 |
| Hebrew Sheltering Guardian Society..... | 373 | 11,066 | " | 3,161 71 |
| Ladies' Deborah Nursery and Child's Protectory..... | 410 | 11,886 | " | 3,359 00 |
| Total..... | | | | \$44,690 06 |

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—3.

The Comptroller offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of two hundred and thirty dollars and ninety-six cents (\$230.96) be and hereby is appropriated from the "Excise Fund" to the "Home for Fallen and Friendless Girls," for the support of twenty-four inmates in the month of September, 1885, aggregating five hundred and sixty-two days, at the rate of \$150 per annum, pursuant to section 208, chapter 410, Laws of 1882 (New York City Consolidation Act of 1882).

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—3.

The Comptroller offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the amounts following, for the support of children in the month of October, 1885, committed by magistrates to the institutions named, pursuant to law, be and are hereby audited and allowed, under the provisions of chapter 240, Laws of 1879, payable from the special appropriation which was included in the Final Estimate for the year 1886, entitled "For the Support of Children Committed by Magistrates to various Charitable Institutions in the City of New York, at a per capita allowance of \$2 per week—Deficiency for year 1885" :

| NAME. | NUMBER OF CHILDREN. | DAYS. | RATE. | AMOUNT. |
|---|---------------------|--------|---------------|-------------|
| Institution of Mercy..... | 920 | 27,400 | \$2 per week. | \$7,805 57 |
| St. Joseph's Asylum..... | 467 | 14,150 | " | 4,042 86 |
| St. Stephen's Home for Children..... | 492 | 15,386 | " | 4,368 00 |
| Mission of the Immaculate Virgin..... | 1,095 | 30,859 | " | 8,816 86 |
| Missionary Sisters, Third Order of St. Francis..... | 468 | 14,246 | " | 3,962 29 |
| Asylum Sisters of St. Dominic..... | 381 | 11,779 | " | 3,332 43 |
| Dominican Convent of Our Lady of the Rosary..... | 365 | 11,200 | " | 3,104 98 |
| Association for the Benefit of Colored Orphans..... | 117 | 3,483 | " | 992 14 |
| St. James' Home..... | 138 | 4,241 | " | 1,211 71 |
| Association for Befriending Children and Young Girls..... | 26 | 777 | " | 206 00 |
| St. Ann's Home..... | 30 | 919 | " | 262 57 |
| American Female Guardian Society and Home for the Friendless..... | 131 | 3,373 | " | 963 71 |
| Asylum of St. Vincent de Paul..... | 56 | 1,687 | " | 431 00 |
| St. Agatha's Home for Children..... | 141 | 4,211 | " | 1,203 43 |
| St. Michael's Home..... | 51 | 1,523 | " | 434 86 |
| Hebrew Sheltering Guardian Society..... | 352 | 10,525 | " | 3,007 14 |
| Ladies' Deborah Nursery and Child's Protectory..... | 400 | 12,043 | " | 3,440 86 |
| Total..... | | | | \$47,586 35 |

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—3.

The Comptroller offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of two hundred and twenty-three dollars and fifteen cents (\$223.15) be and hereby is appropriated from the "Excise Fund" to the "Home for Fallen and Friendless Girls," for the support of thirty-two inmates, in the month of October, 1885, aggregating five hundred and forty-three days, at the rate of \$150 per annum, pursuant to section 208, chapter 410, Laws of 1882 (New York City Consolidation Act of 1882).

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—3.

The Comptroller offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the amounts following, for the support of children in the month of November, 1885, committed by magistrates to the institutions named, pursuant to law, be and hereby are audited and allowed, under the provisions of chapter 240, Laws of 1879, payable from the special appropriation, which was included in the Final Estimate for the year 1886, entitled "For the Support of Children Committed by Magistrates to various Charitable Institutions in the City of New York, at a per capita allowance of \$2 per week—Deficiency for year 1885" :

| NAME. | NUMBER OF CHILDREN. | DAYS. | RATE. | AMOUNT. |
|---|---------------------|--------|---------------|-------------|
| Institution of Mercy..... | 915 | 26,532 | \$2 per week. | \$7,503 57 |
| St. Joseph's Asylum..... | 361 | 13,631 | " | 3,894 57 |
| St. Stephen's Home for Children..... | 493 | 14,934 | " | 4,223 86 |
| Mission of the Immaculate Virgin..... | 1,042 | 30,379 | " | 8,679 71 |
| Missionary Sisters, Third Order of St. Francis..... | 458 | 13,567 | " | 3,876 29 |
| Asylum Sisters of St. Dominic..... | 382 | 11,268 | " | 3,248 00 |
| Dominican Convent of Our Lady of the Rosary..... | 364 | 10,906 | " | 3,115 23 |
| Association for the Benefit of Colored Orphans..... | 115 | 3,394 | " | 960 72 |
| St. James' Home..... | 139 | 4,132 | " | 1,180 57 |
| Association for Befriending Children and Young Girls..... | 28 | 786 | " | 224 57 |
| St. Ann's Home..... | 29 | 870 | " | 248 57 |
| American Female Guardian Society and Home for the Friendless..... | 126 | 3,447 | " | 984 84 |
| Asylum of St. Vincent de Paul..... | 54 | 1,593 | " | 455 14 |
| St. Agatha's Home for Children..... | 140 | 4,152 | " | 1,186 28 |
| St. Michael's Home..... | 52 | 1,516 | " | 430 86 |
| Hebrew Sheltering Guardian Society..... | 348 | 10,089 | " | 2,882 57 |
| Ladies' Deborah Nursery and Child's Protectory..... | 402 | 11,964 | " | 3,418 29 |
| Total..... | | | | \$46,573 64 |

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—3.

The Comptroller offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of two hundred and seventy-five dollars and thirty-four cents (\$275.34), be and hereby is appropriated from the "Excise Fund" to the "Home for Fallen and Friendless Girls," for the support of thirty-four inmates, in the month of November, 1885, aggregating six hundred and seventy days, at the rate of \$150 per annum, pursuant to section 208, chapter 410, Laws of 1882 (New York City Consolidation Act of 1882).

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—3.

The Comptroller presented the following :

NEW YORK CITY, December 16, 1885.

Hon. EDWARD V. LOEW, Comptroller of the City of New York :

DEAR SIR—I have found among the papers of my deceased father, George Opdyke, a copy of the usual resolution of the City of New York, authorizing his portrait to be painted at the expense of the City, that it might be hung in the City Hall with those of the other ex-Mayors of the City.

This has recalled to my memory that, on more than one occasion, shortly previous to his death, my father made the remark that the City had never reimbursed him for his payment of \$800 to the painter of his portrait, which is now hanging in the City Hall.

I feel the same delicacy as my father seemed to have felt as to requesting payment therefor. Still, as his administrator, it is my duty to, at least, present the case to you, and give the City the opportunity to carry out its obligations.

Should the City now refuse to pay us for the portrait (and frame), I shall only consider whether a proper family pride calls for leaving the portrait where it now hangs, or taking it back to his family where it will be more appreciated.

Respectfully yours,

C. W. OPDYKE, Administrator of George Opdyke.

Resolved, That the Committee on National Affairs of the Board of Councilmen and the Committee on Arts and Sciences of the Board of Aldermen be and are hereby authorized to procure on behalf of the Common Council of the City of New York, for the use of the Governor's Room in the City Hall, the following-named portraits : First, His Excellency Governor Reuben E. Fenton, of the State of New York, in style and size of former portraits of the Governors of the State ; also of his Excellency Governor Myron H. Clark ; Second, The portraits of his Honor George Opdyke, his

Honor C. Godfrey Gunther, his Honor John T. Hoffman, each as Mayor of the City of New York, in style and size in keeping with the present portraits in the Governor's Room.

Adopted by the Board of Councilmen, April 26, 1866.
Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 19, 1866.
Approved by the Mayor, July 30, 1866.

D. T. VALENTINE, Clerk Common Council.

Which were received, and, on motion, the Secretary was requested to communicate with C. W. Opykle to the effect that this Board does not feel authorized to make an appropriation to meet so old a claim, and would suggest that application be made to the Board of Aldermen for the return of the said portrait, if so desired.

The President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments presented the following:

AQUEDUCT COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE,
No. 280 BROADWAY, ROOM 209,
NEW YORK, December 31, 1885.

Hon. WILLIAM R. GRACE, Mayor and Chairman of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of the City of New York:

DEAR SIR—At the meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, on the 4th of November last, the Committee of Finance and Audit submitted the following report:

NEW YORK, November 4, 1885.

To the Aqueduct Commissioners:

GENTLEMEN—In relation to the easement right and fee to be acquired upon the lands belonging to the New York Life Insurance Company, at Ardsley, in the town of Greenburgh, Westchester County, which matter was referred to this Committee by your Board for investigation, we make the following report:

The company have made a proposition to deed to the City the easement right under Parcel No. 515 upon the accompanying diagram, the fee of Parcel No. 516, and the fee of all their adjoining land upon the north of Parcel No. 516, for the sum of \$5,000, which sum is to cover also all damages inflicted upon the adjoining lands belonging to that company. The area of the several parcels is as follows:

| | |
|--|--------|
| No. 515, perpetual easement..... | 177 |
| No. 516, fee, about..... | 7,610 |
| Parcel to the north of No. 516, about..... | 2,000 |
| About acres..... | 10,793 |

A careful examination of the property satisfies us that it is to the interest of the City to accept the offer of the company, and we recommend that the land and easement rights be taken by agreement with the company for said sum of \$5,000, under the provision of section 23, chapter 490, Laws of 1883.

Respectfully,
WM. DOWD, Chairman.

(Signed)

Upon that report, the action of the Commissioners was as follows:

The Committee of Finance and Audit presented a report, of this date, upon lands belonging to the New York Life Insurance Company, at Ardsley, Westchester County, which said company offers to convey to the City in fee for the sum of \$5,000, and the Committee recommended that the offer be accepted.

This recommendation was approved by the Commissioners, and the following resolution unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Aqueduct Commissioners are of opinion that it is to the interest of the City that the claim for compensation of the New York Life Insurance Company for certain lands and easement rights required for the construction of the New Croton Aqueduct, in the Town of Greenburgh, in the County of Westchester, be adjusted by agreement, as provided by section 23, chapter 490, Laws of 1883, for the taking of Parcel No. 516, and the lands adjoining upon the north in fee, and for the easement in perpetuity under Parcel No. 515, the consideration for such taking being the sum of \$5,000, upon payment of which sum said company shall make full and sufficient conveyance, of said lands and easement to the City, and the Secretary is hereby directed to submit the same to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval, as required by the above-named section of the act.

Accurate surveys have since been made to determine the exact area of land to be thus acquired by the City in fee, and also of the easement in perpetuity and, as shown upon the accompanying diagram, the same is as follows:

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Originally taken for shaft site and for dumping-grounds, Parcel 516..... | 7,586 acres. |
| Additional taken for dumping-ground, etc., north of Parcel 516, and numbered 516½..... | 1,759 " |
| Taken in fee..... | 9,345 acres. |
| Easement in perpetuity for aqueduct tunnel beneath Parcel 515..... | 177 " |
| Right acquired in a total area of..... | 9,522 acres. |

You are respectfully requested to submit this agreement to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its approval, as required by section 23, chapter 490 of the Laws of 1883.

Very respectfully,

JAMES W. McCULLOH, Secretary.

Which was received and referred to the Comptroller.

Lucius T. Yale appeared before the Board and made a statement relative to the above.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

M. COLEMAN, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION

AQUEDUCT COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE,
ROOM 209, STEWART BUILDING,
NEW YORK, January 13, 1886.

Abstract of Account of Expenditures and Liabilities of the Aqueduct Commissioners during the Month of December, 1885, as required by Section 39, Chapter 490, Laws of 1883.

EXPENDITURES.

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Salaries of engineers and employees..... | \$17,852 03 |
| Office furniture and fixtures..... | 207 58 |
| stationary and petty expenses..... | 120 47 |
| Instruments, maps, drawing materials and supplies..... | 1,061 01 |
| Transportation, teaming, coal and incidental expenses..... | 344 66 |
| Horse feed and other expenses..... | 104 50 |
| Building office for engineer corps at Croton Dam..... | 250 00 |
| Diamond rock-borings and supplies..... | 587 83 |
| Land and land damages..... | 3,003 00 |
| Expenditures..... | \$23,531 08 |
| Monthly estimates of work done in November, 1885, under contracts of Sections A and B and Nos. 1 and 9, and agreement of section A..... | 328,640 48 |
| Total expenditures..... | \$352,171 56 |

LIABILITIES.

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Salaries of engineers and employees..... | \$18,026 47 |
| Office rents..... | 1,088 34 |
| stationary and petty expenses..... | 65 02 |
| Instruments, drawing materials and supplies..... | 43 92 |
| Transportation, teaming and incidental expenses..... | 75 91 |
| Diamond rock-boring and supplies..... | 26 00 |
| Liabilities..... | \$19,325 66 |
| Monthly estimates of work done in December, 1885, under contracts of Sections A and B and Nos. 1 and 9..... | 333,714 26 |
| Total liabilities..... | \$353,039 92 |
| Examined and found correct. | |

J. H. TIMMERMAN, Auditor.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct and true abstract of account of the expenditures and liabilities of the Aqueduct Commissioners for the Month of December, 1885, the said account being on file in the office of the Comptroller of the City of New York.

JAMES W. McCULLOH, Secretary.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

Statement of all Suits for Penalties for Violations of the Sanitary Code, finally disposed of in the Civil and Criminal Courts, for the Week ending January 2, 1886.

| Number of Order. | Date of Arrest. | Date of Service of Summons. | Date of Joining Issue. | Location. | Defendant. | Address. | Owner, Agent, or Lessee. | Subject of Complaint, Order or Offense Charged. | Nature of Ac- tion, Civil or Criminal. | Section of Sani- tary Code Violated. | Section of Con- tagious Dis- ease Act Violated. | No. of Inspec- tors. | Result of Trial. | Reasons of Acquittal or Discharge. | No. of Suits. | Name of Court. | Amount of Judgment. | Amount Collected. | Dismissed by Court. | Consent of At- torney to Discontinue. | Reasons therefor. | Execution Issued. | Reason why Exe- cution is not issued. | Date when Arrested. | Remarks. | |
|------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|--|--|-------------------------|---------------------|--|------------------|-------------------|------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|---|----------------------|----------------------|---|---------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| 20128 | 1885. Oct. 20 | 1885. Nov. 28 | Default. | 345 and 347 E. 57th st. | { Peter A. H. Jackson Charles Reiser. | 163 E. 74th st. | Owner. | { Proper sewer connection re- quired; sink to be provided and removed; } { Sinks to be provided and } { Water-closets to be cleaned, } { paired. } { Cellar vacated as a lodging place } | Civil | 92 | 92 | 5 | Judge for pliff. | | 579 | Third Dist. Court | \$50 50 | None | | | | No. | { Defect not noticed } | | Two inspections by police. | |
| 20129 | 20164 Sept. 25 | " 7 | " 5 | 543 E. 23d st. | Charles Reiser. | 475 W. 57th st. | Agent. | { Proper sewer connection re- quired; sink to be provided and removed; } { Sinks to be provided and } { Water-closets to be cleaned, } { paired. } { Cellar vacated as a lodging place } | " | 63 | 63 | 1 | " | | 644 | " | 50 50 | " | | | | " | " | | Three inspections by police. | |
| 20491 | 20491 Sept. 25 | " 7 | " 5 | 194 Greene st. | Jonas Somelhorn. | 493 Broome st | Owner. | { Proper sewer connection re- quired; sink to be provided and removed; } { Sinks to be provided and } { Water-closets to be cleaned, } { paired. } { Cellar vacated as a lodging place } | " | 92 | 92 | 6 | " | | 645 | " | 50 50 | " | | | | " | " | | Three inspections by police. | |
| 20576 | 20576 Oct. 26 | Nov. 10 | " 19 | 34 Sixth ave. | Colman Goldstein. | On premises | Occupant of cellar. | { Proper sewer connection re- quired; sink to be provided and removed; } { Sinks to be provided and } { Water-closets to be cleaned, } { paired. } { Cellar vacated as a lodging place } | " | 92 | 92 | 2 | " | | 711 | " | 50 50 | " | | | | " | " | | Two inspections by police. | |
| 20086 | 20086 Sept. 18 | Oct. 7 | " 19 | 2059 Second ave. | John Strauss | 122d st., cor. Lexing- ton ave. | Owner. | { Proper sewer connection re- quired; sink to be provided and removed; } { Sinks to be provided and } { Water-closets to be cleaned, } { paired. } { Cellar vacated as a lodging place } | " | 92 | 92 | 4 | " | | 729 | " | 50 50 | " | | | | " | " | | Two inspections by police. | |
| 19990 | 19990 Aug. 12 | Nov. 24 | " 19 | 77 and 79 Suffolk st. | John B. Wertz | 602 E. 14th st. | Agent. | { Proper sewer connection re- quired; sink to be provided and removed; } { Sinks to be provided and } { Water-closets to be cleaned, } { paired. } { Cellar vacated as a lodging place } | " | 205 | 205 | 4 | " | | 734 | " | 50 50 | " | | | | " | " | | Appal to Board. | |
| 2902 | 2902 Sept. 15 | Oct. 23 | " 19 | { 110 foot east 3d ave. (5 houses). North side north at 110 foot east 3d ave. } | Richard Claffy. | { 99th Fishwick ave., Brooklyn. | Owner. | { Proper sewer connection re- quired; sink to be provided and removed; } { Sinks to be provided and } { Water-closets to be cleaned, } { paired. } { Cellar vacated as a lodging place } | " | 92 | 92 | 6 | " | | 735 | " | 50 50 | " | | | | " | " | | Two inspections by police. | |
| 2889 | 2889 Aug. 25 | Sept. 11 | " 19 | 74 Delancey st. | Siachiar Manson. | 2038 Second ave. | " | { Proper sewer connection re- quired; sink to be provided and removed; } { Sinks to be provided and } { Water-closets to be cleaned, } { paired. } { Cellar vacated as a lodging place } | " | 92 | 92 | 4 | " | | 737 | " | 50 50 | " | | | | " | " | | One inspection by police. | |
| 20000 | 20000 Sept. 18 | Oct. 7 | " 19 | 65 Stanton st. | Christian Gehler. | On premises | " | { Proper sewer connection re- quired; sink to be provided and removed; } { Sinks to be provided and } { Water-closets to be cleaned, } { paired. } { Cellar vacated as a lodging place } | Criminal. | 186 | 186 | " | For people. | | 200 | " | 20 00 | " | | | | " | " | | Dec. 24, 1885 | |
| 20001 | 20001 Sept. 18 | Oct. 7 | " 19 | 65 Stanton st. | John Reuter | On premises | " | { Proper sewer connection re- quired; sink to be provided and removed; } { Sinks to be provided and } { Water-closets to be cleaned, } { paired. } { Cellar vacated as a lodging place } | " | 186 | 186 | " | " | | 5 00 | " | 5 00 | " | | | | " | " | | " 24 " | |
| 20002 | 20002 Sept. 18 | Oct. 7 | " 19 | 65 Stanton st. | John Reuter | On premises | " | { Proper sewer connection re- quired; sink to be provided and removed; } { Sinks to be provided and } { Water-closets to be cleaned, } { paired. } { Cellar vacated as a lodging place } | " | 186 | 186 | " | " | | 10 00 | " | 10 00 | " | | | | " | " | | " 24 " | |
| 20003 | 20003 Sept. 18 | Oct. 7 | " 19 | 65 Stanton st. | Mary F. Waller | On premises | " | { Proper sewer connection re- quired; sink to be provided and removed; } { Sinks to be provided and } { Water-closets to be cleaned, } { paired. } { Cellar vacated as a lodging place } | " | 186 | 186 | " | " | | 3 00 | " | 3 00 | " | | | | " | " | | " 14 " | |
| 20004 | 20004 Sept. 18 | Oct. 7 | " 19 | 212 Eldridge st. | Henry Papke | On premises | " | { Proper sewer connection re- quired; sink to be provided and removed; } { Sinks to be provided and } { Water-closets to be cleaned, } { paired. } { Cellar vacated as a lodging place } | " | 186 | 186 | " | " | | 10 00 | " | 10 00 | " | | | | " | " | | " 24 " | |

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATORY

OF THE

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
CENTRAL PARK, NEW YORK.

Latitude 40° 45' 58" N. Longitude 73° 57' 58" W. Height of Instruments above the Ground, 53 feet; above the Sea, 97 feet.

ABSTRACT OF REGISTERS FROM SELF-RECORDING INSTRUMENTS.

For the Week ending January 16, 1886.

Barometer.

| DATE. JANUARY. | | 7 A. M. | 2 P. M. | 9 P. M. | MEAN FOR THE DAY. | | MAXIMUM. | | MINIMUM. | |
|---|----|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------|----------------------|-------|
| | | Reduced to Freezing. | Reduced to Freezing. | Reduced to Freezing. | Reduced to Freezing. | Reduced to Freezing. | Reduced to Freezing. | Time. | Reduced to Freezing. | Time. |
| Sunday, | 10 | 29.230 | 29.314 | 29.512 | 29.352 | 29.588 | 12 P. M. | 29.028 | 0 A. M. | |
| Monday, | 11 | 29.716 | 29.858 | 30.014 | 29.866 | 30.054 | 12 P. M. | 29.588 | 0 A. M. | |
| Tuesday, | 12 | 30.208 | 30.278 | 30.380 | 30.289 | 30.392 | 12 P. M. | 30.054 | 0 A. M. | |
| Wednesday, | 13 | 30.432 | 30.418 | 30.536 | 30.462 | 30.558 | 12 P. M. | 30.392 | 0 A. M. | |
| Thursday, | 14 | 30.650 | 30.648 | 30.650 | 30.649 | 30.700 | 10 A. M. | 30.558 | 0 A. M. | |
| Friday, | 15 | 30.564 | 30.438 | 30.356 | 30.453 | 30.650 | 0 A. M. | 30.308 | 12 P. M. | |
| Saturday, | 16 | 30.206 | 30.066 | 29.904 | 30.059 | 30.308 | 0 A. M. | 29.880 | 12 P. M. | |
| Mean for the week..... 30.161 inches. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Maximum " at 10 A. M., 14th..... 30.700 " | | | | | | | | | | |
| Minimum " at 0 A. M., 10th..... 29.028 " | | | | | | | | | | |
| Range " 1.672 " | | | | | | | | | | |

Thermometers.

| DATE. JANUARY. | | 7 A. M. | 2 P. M. | 9 P. M. | MEAN. | | MAXIMUM. | | MINIMUM. | | MAXIMUM. |
|---|----|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------|-----------|---------|----------|
| | | Dry Bulb. | Wet Bulb. | Dry Bulb. | Wet Bulb. | Dry Bulb. | Wet Bulb. | Time. | Wet Bulb. | Time. | In Sun. |
| Sunday, | 10 | 17 | 17 | 22 | 21 | 18 | 19.3 | 18.6 | 22 | 2 P. M. | 21 |
| Monday, | 11 | 16 | 16 | 14 | 13 | 10 | 9 | 13.3 | 12.6 | 10 | 4 P. M. |
| Tuesday, | 12 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 5.3 | 4.6 | 8 | 4 P. M. |
| Wednesday, | 13 | 5 | 5 | 13 | 11 | 12 | 10 | 10.0 | 8.6 | 14 | 4 P. M. |
| Thursday, | 14 | 7 | 6 | 18 | 16 | 17 | 16 | 14.0 | 12.6 | 20 | 4 P. M. |
| Friday, | 15 | 9 | 8 | 26 | 25 | 23 | 22 | 19.3 | 18.3 | 29 | 4 P. M. |
| Saturday, | 16 | 18 | 17 | 28 | 28 | 29 | 29 | 25.0 | 24.6 | 31 | 7 P. M. |
| Dry Bulb. Wet Bulb. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mean for the week..... 15.2 degrees..... 14.3 degrees. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Maximum for the week, at 7 P. M., 16th..... 31. " at 7 P. M., 16th..... 30. " | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Minimum " at 8 A. M., 12th..... 2. " at 8 A. M., 12th..... 1. " | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Range " " 29. " 29. " | | | | | | | | | | | |

Wind.

| DATE. JANUARY. | | DIRECTION. | | | VELOCITY IN MILES. | | | | FORCE IN POUNDS PER SQUARE FOOT | | | | |
|---|--------|------------|---------|---------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|---------|---------|------|-------------|
| | | 7 A. M. | 2 P. M. | 9 P. M. | 9 P. M. to 7 A. M. | 7 A. M. to 2 P. M. | 2 P. M. to 9 P. M. | Distance for the Day. | 7 A. M. | 2 P. M. | 9 P. M. | Max. | Time. |
| Sunday, | 10.... | WNW | W | W | 162 | 124 | 120 | 406 | 3½ | 7 | 3½ | 11½ | 4-30 P. M. |
| Monday, | 11.... | W | NW | WNW | 123 | 87 | 63 | 273 | 2 | 3 | 2½ | 5 | 2-10 P. M. |
| Tuesday, | 12.... | WNW | NW | WNW | 101 | 71 | 51 | 223 | 1½ | 1 | ¾ | 5 | 9-40 A. M. |
| Wednesday, | 13.... | WNW | NW | NNE | 26 | 24 | 16 | 66 | 0 | ¾ | 0 | ¾ | 11-15 A. M. |
| Thursday, | 14.... | N | NNE | N | 23 | 31 | 19 | 73 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ¾ | 1-50 A. M. |
| Friday, | 15.... | NW | NW | NNE | 12 | 18 | 8 | 38 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ¾ | 1-40 P. M. |
| Saturday, | 16.... | NNE | NNE | NE | 23 | 37 | 33 | 93 | 0 | 0 | ¾ | 1½ | 10-40 P. M. |
| Distance traveled during the week..... 1,172 miles. | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Maximum force " " 11¾ pounds. | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

| DATE. JANUARY. | | Hygrometer. | | | | | Clouds. | | | Rain and Snow. Ozone. | | | | |
|-------------------|----|-----------------|---------|--------------------|---------|---------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|------------------|----------------|
| | | FORCE OF VAPOR. | | RELATIVE HUMIDITY. | | | CLEAR, O. OVERCAST, 10. | | | DEPTH OF RAIN AND SNOW IN INCHES | | | | |
| | | 7 A. M. | 2 P. M. | 7 A. M. | 2 P. M. | 9 P. M. | 7 A. M. | 2 P. M. | 9 P. M. | Time of Beginning. | Time of Ending. | Duration. | Amount of Water. | Depth of Snow. |
| | | 7 A. M. | 2 P. M. | 7 A. M. | 2 P. M. | 9 P. M. | 7 A. M. | 2 P. M. | 9 P. M. | | | | | |
| Sunday, | 10 | .094 | .101 | .087 | .100 | .86 | 84 | 10 | 10 | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 |
| Monday, | 11 | .090 | .067 | .054 | .100 | .81 | 79 | 10 | 2 Cir. S. | 0 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0 |
| Tuesday, | 12 | .093 | .059 | .057 | .045 | 100 | 100 | 0 | 1 Cir. | 0 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0 |
| Wednesday, | 13 | .055 | .049 | .046 | .130 | .62 | 61 | 1 Cir. S. | 0 | 0 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0 |
| Thursday, | 14 | .046 | .067 | .078 | .77 | .68 | 83 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0 |
| Friday, | 15 | .051 | .123 | .107 | .78 | .87 | 86 | 0 | 1 Cir. | 0 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0 |
| Saturday, | 16 | .083 | .153 | .160 | .84 | 100 | 100 | 7 Cir. | 10 | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0 |

Total amount of water for the week..... 60 inch.

Duration for the week..... 6 hours, 50 minutes.

DANIEL DRAPER, Ph. D., Director.

APPROVED PAPERS.

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps lighted in Ninety-seventh street, from Ninth to Tenth avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 29, 1885.
Approved by the Mayor, January 8, 1886.

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps lighted in Ninety-eighth street, from Second avenue to Third avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 29, 1885.
Approved by the Mayor, January 8, 1886.

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps lighted on the westerly side of Fourth avenue, from One Hundred and Thirty-third street to One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 29, 1885.
Approved by the Mayor, January 8, 1886.

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps placed thereon and lighted in Madison avenue, from Ninety-second to One Hundred and Ninth street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 29, 1885.
Approved by the Mayor, January 8, 1886.

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps placed thereon and lighted in Madison avenue, north of Ninetieth street, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 29, 1885.
Approved by the Mayor, January 8, 1886.

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to lay water-mains in Ninetieth street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues, pursuant to section 356 of the New York City Consolidation Act.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 29, 1885.
Approved by the Mayor, January 9, 1886.

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps placed thereon and lighted in Adams avenue, from Columbia avenue to Kingsbridge road, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 29, 1885.
Approved by the Mayor, January 9, 1886.

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps lighted in Manhattan avenue, between One Hundred and Fifth and One Hundred and Sixth streets, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 29, 1885.
Approved by the Mayor, January 9, 1886.

Resolved, That the name of August J. Gustave, recently appointed a Commissioner of Deeds, be corrected so as to read August J. G. Heupel.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.

Resolved, That the name of Wm. J. Daggett, recently appointed Commissioner of Deeds, be corrected so as to read "Wm. J. Daggett."

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.

Resolved, That the name of Prible Tucker, recently appointed Commissioner of Deeds, be corrected so as to read Preble Tucker.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.

Resolved, That Isaac A. Simm be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of John A. Van Buskirk, whose term of office has expired.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to H. M. O'Neil to place and keep a movable sign, four by two, on the sidewalk, near the curb, in front of No. 463 Hudson street; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 15, 1885.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, January 6, 1886, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 75, chapter 410, Laws of 1882, the same became adopted.

Resolved, That the plan of the regulation and improvement of the Eleventh Avenue Boulevard, from One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street to its intersection with the Kingsbridge road, be amended and altered as follows: That the roadway thereof shall be seventy feet wide from curb to curb, and the sidewalks on each side shall be forty feet wide, with two rows of trees in each sidewalk and a flagged or otherwise appropriately paved footway between the rows of trees, and that the curbs and receiving-basins already laid in said avenue, between One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street and the Kingsbridge road, be altered so as to conform to such change, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 29, 1885.
Approved by the Mayor, January 5, 1886.

Resolved, That permission is hereby given to Patrick Keenan, and such persons as he may associate with him, to make a bronze copy of the plaster of paris statue of Thomas Jefferson, now in the Governor's Room, in the City Hall, and that the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby directed to allow said statue to be taken to a foundry in the City of New York for that purpose; provided that said city shall be at no expense, and that said Patrick Keenan shall enter into a bond in the sum of one thousand dollars conditioned for the safe return of said statue to the Governor's Room, within one year.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.
Approved by the Mayor, January 4, 1886.

Petition of Clarence R. Cruger for permission to pave sidewalk in front of his premises, Nos. 292 to 295 Front street, with Belgian pavement.

Prayer of petitioner granted by the Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.
Approved by the Mayor, January 5, 1886.

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized to lay water-pipes in Sixth avenue, west side, between One Hundred and Thirty-third and One Hundred and Thirty-sixth streets, pursuant to the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, sections 189 and 194.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 29, 1885.
Approved by the Mayor, January 8, 1886.

Resolved, That water-mains be laid and fire-hydrants erected in Highbridge road, from Jerome avenue to Creston avenue; in Creston avenue to One Hundred and Eighty-third street; in One Hundred and Eighty-third street to Morris avenue, and in Morris avenue to Highbridge road, as provided in chapter 381, Laws of 1879.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 29, 1885.
Approved by the Mayor, January 8, 1886.

Resolved, That Croton-mains be laid in One Hundred and Forty-sixth street, from North Third avenue to College avenue, pursuant to section 356 of the New York City Consolidation Act.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 29, 1885.
Approved by the Mayor, January 8, 1886.

Resolved, That Croton water-pipes be laid in Ninety-fifth street, from Lexington to Fifth avenue, and in Lexington avenue, from Ninety-fifth to Ninety-seventh street, as provided in chapter 381, Laws of 1879.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 29, 1885.
Approved by the Mayor, January 8, 1886.

Resolved, That Croton-mains be laid in Madison avenue, from Ninety-first to Ninety-second street, as provided in section 356 of the New York City Consolidation Act.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 29, 1885.
Approved by the Mayor, January 8, 1886.

Resolved, That water-pipes be laid in Vanderbilt avenue, from Tremont avenue, or One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street, southerly to a point about four hundred and fifty feet south of One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street, as provided in chapter 381, Laws of 1879.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 29, 1885.
Approved by the Mayor, January 8, 1886.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, January 7, 1886.

Pursuant to section 9 of chapter 339, Laws of 1883, I hereby designate
"New York Times" and the "Daily News"
two of the daily newspapers printed in the City of New York, in which notice of each sale of unredeemed pawns or pledges by public auction in said city, by pawnbrokers, shall be published for at least six days previous thereto, until otherwise ordered.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, December 31, 1885.

In pursuance of the ordinance, approved April 30, 1877, and amended June 1, 1877, entitled,
"An ordinance to prevent the danger of hydrophobia to any of the inhabitants of the City of New York," notice is hereby given that all Dogs found at large in the City of New York on and after January 1, contrary to such ordinance, will be seized and disposed of as provided therein.

The Dog Pound at the foot of Sixteenth street, East river, is hereby designated as the place where dogs so captured must be delivered to the Keeper thereof. The Pound will be open from eight o'clock A. M. until five o'clock P. M. daily, Sundays excepted, on and after the first day of January, 1886.

WM. R. GRACE,
Mayor.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, January 15, 1886.

I hereby certify that I have this day increased the salary of Seligman Manheimer, Clerk to the Secretary and Executive Officer of the Civil Service and Examining Boards, from \$1,200 to \$1,500 per annum.

WM. R. GRACE,
Mayor.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

STATEMENT OF THE HOURS DURING WHICH all the Public Offices in the City are open for business, and at which each Court regularly opens and adjourns, as well as of the places where such offices are kept and such Courts are held; together with the heads of Departments and Courts.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Mayor's Office.

No. 6 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.
WILLIAM R. GRACE, Mayor; WILLIAM L. TURNER, Secretary and Chief Clerk.

Mayor's Marshal's Office.

No. 1 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
THOMAS W. BYRNES, First Marshal.
GEORGE W. BROWN, JR., Second Marshal.

Permit Bureau Office.

No. 13 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
HENRY WOOD, Registrar.

COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS.

Rooms 114 and 115 Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WM. PITT SHEARMAN, J. B. ADAMS.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSIONERS.

Room 209, Stewart Building, 5th floor, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.
THE MAYOR, President; JAMES W. MCCOLLON, Secretary; BENJAMIN S. CHURCH, Chief Engineer.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Office of Clerk of Common Council.

No. 8 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.
ROBERT B. NOONEY, President Board of Aldermen.
FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk Common Council.

City Library.

No. 12 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Commissioner's Office.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
ROLLIN M. SQUIRE, Commissioner; DAVID LOWBER SMITH, Deputy Commissioner.

Bureau of Chief Engineer.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
GEORGE W. BIRDSALL, Chief Engineer.

Bureau of Water Register.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN H. CHAMBERS, Register.

Bureau of Street Improvements.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
GEORGE A. JEREMIAH, Superintendent.

Engineer-in-Charge of Sewers.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
STEVENSON TOWLE, Engineer-in-Charge.

Bureau of Repairs and Supplies.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
THOMAS H. McAVOY, Superintendent.

Bureau of Water Purveyor.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
ALSTON CULVER, Water Purveyor.

Bureau of Lamps and Gas.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
STEPHEN McCORMICK, Superintendent.

Bureau of Streets.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
GEO. E. BABCOCK, Superintendent.

Bureau of Incumbances.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOSEPH BLUMENTHAL, Superintendent.

Keeper of Buildings in City Hall Park.

MARTIN J. KREESE, City Hall.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

Comptroller's Office.

No. 15 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
EDWARD V. LOEW, Comptroller; RICHARD A. STOKES, Deputy Comptroller.

Auditing Bureau.

Nos. 19, 21, 23 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WM. J. LYON, Auditor of Accounts.
DAVID E. AUSTEN, Deputy Auditor.

Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents.
Nos. 31, 33, 35, 37, 39 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
ARTEMAS S. CADY, Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears.

Bureau for the Collection of City Revenue and of Markets.
Nos. 2 and 3 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JAMES J. KELSO, Collector of the City Revenue and Superintendent of Markets.

Bureau for the Collection of Taxes.
First floor, Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park.
GEORGE W. McLEAN, Receiver of Taxes; ALFRED VREDEBURG, Deputy Receiver of Taxes.

Bureau of the City Chamberlain.
Nos. 25, 27 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WM. M. IVINS, City Chamberlain.

Office of the City Paymaster.
No. 33 Reade street, Stewart Building.
MOOR FALLS, City Paymaster.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Office of the Counsel to the Corporation.
Staats Zeitung Building, third floor, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
E. HENRY LACOMBE, Counsel to the Corporation.
ANDREW T. CAMPBELL, Chief Clerk.

Office of the Public Administrator.
No. 49 Beekman street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
RICHARD J. MORRISON, Public Administrator.

Office of the Corporation Attorney.
No. 49 Beekman street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WILLIAM A. BOYD, Corporation Attorney.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Central Office.

No. 300 Mulberry street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
STEPHEN B. FRENCH, President; WILLIAM H. KIPP, Chief Clerk; JOHN J. O'BRIEN, Chief Bureau of Election.

DEPARTMENT OF CHARITIES AND CORRECTIONS.
Central Office.

No. 66 Third avenue, corner Eleventh street, 8.30 A. M. to 5.30 P. M.
THOMAS S. BRENNAN, President; GEORGE F. BRITTON, Secretary.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Office hours for all except where otherwise noted from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Saturdays, to 3 P. M.

Headquarters.

Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street.
HENRY D. PURROY, President; CARL JUSSEN, Secretary.

Bureau of Chief of Department.

CHARLES O. SHAY, Chief of Department.

Bureau of Inspector of Combustibles.

PETER SEERY, Inspector of Combustibles.

Bureau of Fire Marshal.

GEORGE H. SHELTON, Fire Marshal.

Bureau of Inspection of Buildings.

ALBERT F. D'ORCHEN, Superintendent of Buildings.

Attorney to Department.

WM. L. FINDLEY, Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street.

Fire Alarm Telegraph.

J. ELLIOT SMITH, Superintendent of Telegraph, Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street.

Central Office Fire Alarm Telegraph open at all hours.

Repair Shops.

Nos. 128 and 130 West Third street.

JOHN CASTLES, Foreman-in-Charge, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.

Hospital Stables.

Ninety-ninth street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.
JOSEPH SHEA, Foreman-in-Charge.

Open at all hours.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

No. 302 Mott street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

ALEXANDER SHALES, President; EDMONDS CLARK, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

No. 36 Union Square, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

HENRY R. BECKMAN, President; CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

Civil and Topographical Office.

Arsenal, Sixty-fourth street and Fifth avenue, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

Office of Superintendent of 23d and 24th Wards.

One Hundred and Forty-sixth street and Third avenue, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

Nos. 117 and 119 Duane street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

JOSEPH KOCH, President; B. W. ELLISON, Secretary.
Office hours from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. daily, except Saturdays, on Saturdays as follows: from September 15 to June 15, from 9 A. M. to 3 P. M.; from June 15 to September 15, from 9 A. M. to 12 M.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

Staats Zeitung Building, Tryon Row, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Saturdays, 3 P. M.

MICHAEL COLEMAN, President; FLOYD T. SMITH, Secretary.

Office Bureau Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes.

Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
CHARLES S. BRADSLAV, Attorney; WILLIAM COMBERFORD, Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING.

Nos. 31 and 32 Park Row, "World" Building, Rooms 8 and 9, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JAMES S. COLEMAN, Commissioner; JACOB SEABOLD, Deputy Commissioner; M. J. MORRISON, Chief Clerk.

CIVIL SERVICE SUPERVISORY AND EXAMINING BOARDS.

Room No. 11, City Hall.
EVERETT P. WHEELER, Chairman of the Advisory Board; CHARLES H. WOODMAN, Secretary and Executive Officer.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT.

Office of Clerk, Staats Zeitung Building, Room 5.
The Mayor, Chairman; CHARLES V. ADEE, Clerk.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS.

Office, City Hall, Room No. 11½, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
EDWARD GILON, Chairman; WM. H. JASPER, Secretary.

BOARD OF EXCISE.

Corner Bond street and Bowery, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
NICHOLAS HAUGHTON, President; JOHN K. PERLEY, Secretary and Chief Clerk.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

Nos. 3 and 4 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
HUGH J. GRANT, Sheriff; JOHN B. SEXTON, Under Sheriff; BERNARD F. MARTIN, Order Arrest Clerk.

REGISTER'S OFFICE.

East side City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN REILLY, Register; JAMES A. HANLEY, Deputy Register.

COMMISSIONER OF JURORS.

Room 127, Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
CHARLES REILLY, Commissioner; JAMES E. CONNOR, Deputy Commissioner.

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE.

Nos. 7 and 8 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JAMES A. FLACK, County Clerk; THOMAS F. GILROY, Deputy County Clerk.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.

Second floor, Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, District Attorney; JOHN M. COMAN, Chief Clerk.

THE CITY RECORD OFFICE.

And Bureau of Printing, Stationery, and Blank Books.
No. 9 City Hall, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M., except Saturdays, on which days 8 A. M. to 3 P. M.
THOMAS COSTIGAN, Supervisor; R. P. H. ARELL, Book-keeper.

CORONERS' OFFICE.

Nos. 13 and 15 Chatham street, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M. Sundays and holidays, 8 A. M. to 12.30 P. M.
MICHAEL J. B. MESSEMER, FERDINAND LEVY, FERDINAND EIDMAN, JOHN R. NUGENT, Coroners; JOHN T. TOAL, Clerk of the Board of Coroners.

SUPREME COURT.

Second floor, New County Court-house, opens at 10.30 A. M.
NOAH DAVIS, Presiding Justice, JAMES A. FLACK, Clerk, THOMAS F. GILROY, Deputy County Clerk.
General Term, Room No. 9, WILLIAM LAMB, JR., Clerk.
Special Term, Part I., Room No. 10, THOMAS J. DUNN, Clerk.
Special Term, Part II., Room No. 18, FREDERICK C. LAMB, Clerk.
Chambers, Room No. 11, WALTER BRADY, Clerk.
Circuit, Part I., Room No. 12, SAMUEL BARRY, Clerk.
Circuit, Part II., Room No. 14, FRANCIS S. McAVOY, Clerk.
Circuit, Part III., Room No. 13, JOHN VON GLAHN, Clerk.
Circuit, Part IV., Room No. 15, J. LEWIS LYON, Clerk.
Judges' Private Chambers, Rooms Nos. 19 and 20, EDWARD J. KNIGHT, Librarian.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Third floor, New County Court-house, 11 A. M.
General Term, Room No. 35.
Special Term, Room No. 33.
Chambers, Room No. 33, 10 A. M.
Part I., Room No. 24.
Part II., Room No. 35.
Part III., Room No. 36.
Judges' Private Chambers, Room No. 30.
Naturalization Bureau, Room No. 32.
Clerk's Office, Room No. 31, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN SEDGWICK, Chief Judge; THOMAS BOESE, Chief Clerk.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

Third floor, New County Court-house, 11 A. M.
Assignment Bureau, Room No. 23, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Clerk's Office, Room No. 22, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
General Term, Room No. 24, 11 o'clock A. M. to adjournment.
Special Term, Room No. 21, 11 o'clock A. M. to adjournment.
Chambers, Room No. 21, 10.30 o'clock A. M. to adjournment.
Part I., Room No. 25, 11 o'clock A. M. to adjournment.
Part II., Room No. 26, 11 o'clock A. M. to adjournment.
Part III., Room No. 27, 11 o'clock A. M. to adjournment.
Naturalization Bureau, Room No. 23, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
CHARLES P. DALY, Chief Justice; NATHANIEL JARVIS, JR., Chief Clerk.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

No. 32 Chambers street. Parts I. and II. Court opens at 11 o'clock A. M.
FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder; HENRY A. GILDER-SLEEVE and RUPUS E. COWING, Judges of the said Court.
Terms, first Monday each month.
JOHN SPARKS, Clerk. Office, Room No. 11, 10 A. M. till 4 P. M.

CITY COURT.

City Hall.

General Term, Room No. 20.
Trial Term, Part I., Room No. 20.
Part II., Room No. 19.
Part III., Room No. 15.
Special Term, Chambers, Room No. 21, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Clerk's Office, Room No. 22, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
DAVID McADAM, Chief Justice; JOHN REID, Clerk.

OVER AND TERMINER COURT.

New County Court-house, second floor, southeast corner. Room No. 13. Court opens at 10½ o'clock A. M.
Clerk's Office, Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park, second floor, northwest corner, Room No. 11, 10 A. M. till 4 P. M.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS.

At Tombs, corner Franklin and Centre streets, daily at 10.30 A. M., excepting Saturday.
Clerk's Office, Tombs.

DISTRICT CIVIL COURTS.

First District—First, Second, Third, and Fifth Wards southwest corner of Centre and Chambers streets.
MICHAEL NORTON, Justice.
Clerk's office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Second District—Fourth, Sixth, and Fourteenth Wards corner of Pearl and Centre streets, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
CHARLES M. CLANCY, Justice.

Third District—Ninth and Fifteenth Wards, southwest corner Sixth avenue and West Tenth street. Court open daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted) from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
GEORGE W. PARKER, Justice.

Fourth District—Tenth and Seventeenth Wards, No. 30 First street, corner Second avenue. Court opens 9 A. M. daily; continues to close of business.
ALFRED STECKLER, Justice.

Fifth District—Seventh, Eleventh, and Thirteenth Wards, No. 154 Clinton street.
JOHN H. MCCARTHY, Justice.

Sixth District—Eighteenth and Twenty-first Wards, No. 61 Union place, Fourth avenue, southwest corner of Eighteenth street. Court opens 9 A. M. daily; continues to close of business.
WILLIAM H. KELLY, Justice.

Seventh District—Nineteenth and Twenty-second Wards, No. 151 East Fifty-seventh street. Court opens every morning at 9 o'clock (except Sundays and legal holidays), and continues to the close of business.
AMBROSE MONELL, Justice.

Eighth District—Sixteenth and Twentieth Wards, south-west corner of Twenty-second street and Seventh avenue. Court opens at 9 A. M. and continues to close of business. Clerk's office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. each court day. **FREDRICK G. GEDNEY, Justice.**

Ninth District—Twelfth Ward, No. 225 East One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street. **HENRY P. MCGOWN, Justice.**

Clerk's office open daily from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Trial days Tuesdays and Fridays. Court opens at 9½ A. M.

Tenth District—Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, corner of Third Avenue and One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street. **ANDREW J. ROGERS, Justice.**

Eleventh District—No. 919 Eighth Avenue: Twenty-second Ward, and all that part of the Twelfth Ward lying south of One Hundred and Tenth street and west of Sixth Avenue. Court open daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted) from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

LEO C. DESSAR, Justice.

POLICE COURTS.

Judges—MAURICE J. POWER, J. HENRY FORD, JACOB PATTENBERG, JR., JAMES T. KILBERRY, JOHN J. GORMAN, HENRY MURRAY, SOLOMON B. SMITH, ANDREW J. WHITE, CHARLES WELSH, DANIEL O'REILLY, PATRICK G. DUFFY.

George W. CREGIER, Secretary. Office of Secretary, Fifth District, Police Court, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, near Fourth Avenue.

First District—Tombs, Centre street.

Second District—Jefferson Market.

Third District—No. 69 Essex street.

Fourth District—Fifty-seventh street, near Lexington Avenue.

Fifth District—One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, near Fourth Avenue.

Sixth District—One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street and Third Avenue.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK,
OFFICE OF THE PROPERTY CLERK (Room No. 9),
No. 300 MULBERRY STREET,
NEW YORK, 1885.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY
Clerk of the Police Department of the City of New York, No. 300 Mulberry Street, New York, 1885, for the following property, now in his custody without claimants: Boats, rope, iron, lead, male and female clothing, boots, shoes, wine, blankets, diamonds, canned goods, liquors, etc., also small amount money taken from prisoners and found by patrolmen of this Department.

JOHN F. HARRIOT,
Property Clerk

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AT
the Hall of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, by the School Trustees for the Eleventh Ward, until 1 o'clock, Monday, January 25, 1886, for a new steam boiler to be placed in Grammar School building No. 22, corner Stanton and Sheriff streets.

Plans and specifications may be seen, and blanks for proposals, and all necessary information may be obtained, at the office of the Engineer of the Board of Education, No. 146 Grand street, third floor.

The party submitting a proposal, and the parties proposing to become sureties, must each write his name, place of residence and place of business on the Board of Education under their responsibility.

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

No proposal will be considered from persons whose character or antecedents are such as to call for the Board of Education under their responsibility.

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

LEWIS S. GOEBLE,
S. W. MURPHY,
AUGUST STERN,
S. CREGAR, M. D.,
M. L. PHILLIPS,
School Trustees Eleventh Ward.

Dated, New York, January 13, 1886.

ASSESSMENT COMMISSION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT A MEETING
of the Commissioners under the act, chapter 550 of the Laws of 1885, entitled "An act relating to certain assessments for local improvements in the City of New York," passed June 9, 1885, will be held at their office, No. 27 Chambers street, on Friday, January 19, 1886, at 2 o'clock P. M.

DANIEL LOR, JR.,
JOHN KELLY,
ALLAN CAMPBELL,
JOSEPH GARRY,
JOHN W. MARSHALL,
Commissioners under the Act.

JAMES J. MARTIN, Clerk.

THE COLLEGE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

A STATED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
Trustees of the College of the City of New York will be held at the Hall of the Board of Education, No. 146 Grand street, on Tuesday, January 19, 1886, at 4 o'clock P. M.

By order, **STEPHEN A. WALKER,** Chairman.

Dated New York, January 12, 1886.

SUPREME COURT.

In the Matter of the application of the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title to all that certain plot or gore of land in the Twenty-second Ward in the City of New York, bounded northerly by Seventy-third street, easterly by Tenth Avenue, southerly by Seventy-second street, and westerly by the Broadway Boulevard, and all the land contained thereunder and in pursuance of chapter 451 of the Laws of 1884.

PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES IN SUCH
cases made and provided, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held at the chambers thereof, in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on Friday, the 10th day of February, 1886, at the opening of the court on that day, and as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter. The nature and extent of the improvement hereby intended to be made is as follows: in the name and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and

Commonalty of the City of New York, for the use of the public, to all the lands and premises with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, required for the opening of a public place in the Twenty-second Ward in the City of New York, as laid out under and in pursuance of chapter 451 of the Laws of 1884, passed June 2, 1884, being the following-described lots, pieces or parcels of land, viz.:

Beginning at a point, the southwesterly corner of Seventy-third street and Tenth Avenue; thence running southerly and along the westerly line of Tenth Avenue, distance 164 feet 4 inches, to the easterly line of the Boulevard; thence northerly along said line 171 feet 10 inches to the southerly line of Seventy-third street; thence easterly along said southerly line 50 feet 3 inches to the westerly line of Tenth Avenue, to the point or place of beginning.

Said public place embracing all the land contained within the triangle bounded easterly by the Tenth Avenue, northerly by Seventy-third street and westerly by the Boulevard.

Dated New York, January 16, 1886.
E. HENRY LACOMBE,
Counsel to the Corporation,
2 Tryon Row, New York City.

In the Matter of the application of the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to that part of Juliet street (although not yet named by proper authority), from Mott Avenue to Walton Avenue, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out, and designated as a first-class street or road by the Department of Public Parks.

PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES IN SUCH
cases made and provided, the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, do hereby give notice that the Counsel to the Corporation will apply to the Supreme Court in the First Judicial District of the State of New York, at a Special Term of the Court, to be held at the Chambers of the Court, in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the fifth day of February, A. D. 1886, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of a Commissioner of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter. In the place and stead of G. uverner M. Ogden, Jr., resigned.

Dated New York, January 6, 1886.
E. HENRY LACOMBE,
Counsel to the Corporation,
2 Tryon Row, New York City

In the matter of the application of the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-THIRD STREET, from Tenth Avenue to the Kingsbridge Road, in the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York.

PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES IN SUCH
cases made and provided, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held at the Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on Friday, the fifth day of February, 1886, at the opening of the Court on that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter. The nature and extent of the improvement hereby intended, is as follows: in the name and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, for the use of the public, to all the lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, required for the opening of a certain street or avenue, known as One Hundred and Seventy-third street, from Tenth Avenue to the Kingsbridge Road, in the City of New York, being the following-described lots, pieces or parcels of land, viz.:

Beginning at a point in the westerly line of Tenth Avenue, distant 4,747 feet northerly from the southerly line of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, thence westerly and parallel with said street 800 feet to the easterly line of Tenth Avenue; thence northerly along said line 80 feet; thence easterly 500 feet to the westerly line of Tenth Avenue; thence southerly along said line 80 feet to the point or place of beginning.

Also, beginning at a point in the westerly line of Eleventh Avenue, distant 4,747 feet northerly from the southerly line of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street; thence westerly and parallel with said street 305 feet 1¼ inches to the easterly line of Kingsbridge Road; thence northerly along said line 8 inches to the easterly line of Kingsbridge Road; thence southerly along said line 80 feet to the point or place of beginning.

Said street to be 80 feet wide between the lines of Tenth Avenue and the Kingsbridge Road.

Dated, New York, January 6, 1886.
E. HENRY LACOMBE,
Counsel to the Corporation,
2 Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks, for and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title to that certain street or avenue called RAIVER AVENUE, from the Harlem River to One Hundred and Sixty-first street in the Twenty-third Ward, in the City of New York.

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

First—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in these proceedings, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to us at our office, No. 73 William street, third floor, in the said city, on or before the twenty-third day of January, 1886, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said twenty-third day of January, 1886, and for that purpose we be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days at 2½ o'clock P. M.

Second—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, in the City of New York, there to remain until the twenty-third day of January, 1886.

Third—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All those lots, pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together and described as follows, viz. westerly by a line parallel or nearly so with, and distant about four hundred feet westerly from, the westerly side of Railroad Avenue East; northerly by the southerly side of One Hundred and Sixty-first street; easterly by a line parallel, or nearly so, with and distant about seven hundred feet easterly from the easterly side of Railroad Avenue East, as widened, extending from the southerly side of One Hundred and Sixty-first street to the southerly side of Croton Avenue; westerly by the westerly side of Morris Avenue, if extended, would intersect the centre of One Hundred and Forty-third street, and by the westerly side of the Mott Haven Canal, from the head thereof to the bulkhead line in the Harlem River, and southerly by an irregular line extending westerly from a point where the westerly side of Morris Avenue, if extended, would intersect the centre of One Hundred and Forty-third street, to the westerly side of the Mott Haven Canal, and easterly by the bulkhead line in the Harlem River; excepting from

said area all the streets and avenues heretofore opened, and all the unimproved land included within the lines of streets, avenues, roads, public squares, or places shown and laid out upon any map or maps filed by the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks, pursuant to the provisions of chapter six hundred and four of the Laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-four, and the laws amendatory thereof, or of chapter four hundred and ten of the Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-two, as such area is shown upon our Benefit Maps deposited as aforesaid.

Fourth—That our report here will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term thereof, to be held at the Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the twelfth day of February, 1886, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, December 10, 1885.
HENRY M. WHITEHEAD,
JOHN WHALEN,
ROBERT A. VAN WYCK,
Commissioners.

CARROLL BERRY, Clerk.

JURORS.

NOTICE IN RELATION TO JURORS FOR STATE COURTS.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF JURORS,
ROOM 127, STEWART BUILDING,
CHAMBERS STREET AND BROADWAY,
NEW YORK, JUNE 1, 1885.

APPLICATIONS FOR EXEMPTIONS WILL BE
heard here, from 10 to 3 daily, from all persons hitherto liable or recently serving who have become exempted, and all needed information will be given. Those who have not answered as to their liability, or proved permanent exemption, will receive a "jury enrollment notice," requiring them to appear before me the next day, when I will inquire into their status. Those who have not answered as to their liability, or proved permanent exemption, will receive a "jury enrollment notice," requiring them to appear before me the next day, when I will inquire into their status. Those who have not answered as to their liability, or proved permanent exemption, will receive a "jury enrollment notice," requiring them to appear before me the next day, when I will inquire into their status.

Persons "enrolled" as liable must serve when called or pay their fines. No excuse will be allowed or interference permitted. The fines if unpaid will be entered as judgments upon the property of the delinquents. All good citizens will aid the cause of justice, and secure reliable and respectable juries, and equalize their duty by serving promptly when summoned, allowing their clerical or subordinate 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 case. It is no demerit to give any jury paper to another to give or receive any present or bribe, directly or indirectly, in relation to a jury service, to withhold any paper, or make any false statement, and every case will be fully prosecuted.

CHARLES REILLY,
Commissioner of Jurors.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE,
STEWART BUILDING, 280 BROADWAY, ROOM 209,
NEW YORK, JANUARY 15, 1886.

PUBLIC NOTICE—FINAL HEARING TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

IN CONFORMITY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS
of section 2, chapter 490, Laws of 1883, of the State of New York, public notice is hereby given to all persons interested that full opportunity will be afforded them to be heard in relation to the various plans now under consideration by the Aqueduct Commissioners for the location and construction of one or more of the following dams and reservoirs upon the Croton river, in the counties of Westchester and Putnam, viz.:

First—That known as "Quaker Bridge Dam" and reservoir, about four miles below the present Croton Dam.
Second—That known as the "Muscoot Dam" and reservoir, at Muscoot mountain, about six miles above the present Croton Dam.
Third—Dams and reservoirs on the east branch of the Croton river, commonly known as the "Sodom Dams and double Reservoirs," including Kishawanna lake.

All shown upon the plans, maps and profiles in this office. The said public hearing having been adjourned on the 12th of April, 1884, until further notice, and resumed at the office of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Room 209, Stewart Building, No. 280 Broadway, in the City of New York, on WEDNESDAY, NOV. 4, and continued on Wednesdays, Nov. 11 and 25, and Dec. 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30, 1885, and on January 6, 13, 20, 27, 1886, and on WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 1886, at 2 o'clock P. M., and upon such days thereafter to which the same may be adjourned, until finally concluded.

By order of the Aqueduct Commissioners.
JAMES W. MCCULLOH,
Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE,
ROOM 209, STEWART BUILDING,
NEW YORK, DECEMBER 30, 1885.

TO CONTRACTORS.

BIDS OR PROPOSALS FOR CONSTRUCTING
sections 12, 13 and 14, of the New Croton Aqueduct in the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York, will be received at this office until WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 1886, at 2 o'clock P. M., at which place and hour they will be publicly opened and read by the Aqueduct Commissioners; and the award of the contracts will be made by said Commissioners as soon thereafter as practicable.

The portion of the New Aqueduct for which bids are hereby invited is in the eastern part of the Croton river, across and under that river, and thence southward to One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street and Convent Avenue; a distance of 13,800 feet; the whole being in tunnel, and divided into three sections.

Bidders can bid for either one or more of the sections; but each section must be bid for, and will be awarded separately. Any bidder for more than one section who will not accept an award for one section only, must so state in his bid. Each bid must be enclosed in a sealed envelope, indorsed with the name of the person or persons making the same, and the section for which it is made. The form of the agreement and place of residence of the persons making the same, and the names of all persons interested with them therein; also that it is made without any connection with any other persons making another bid for the same work, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; that no member of the Aqueduct Commission, or of the Common Council, no head of a Department, Chief of a Bureau, Deputy thereof or Clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, or any person in the employ of the Aqueduct Commissioners, is directly or indirectly interested in the bid, or in the work to which it relates, or in the profits thereon.

Each bid must be verified by the oath of the parties making the same, that the several matters therein stated are true, and must be accompanied by a certified check upon a National or State Bank of the City of New York,

drawn to the order of the Comptroller of the City of New York, for an amount not less than five per cent of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. Such check must not be inclosed with the bid or proposal, but must be delivered to the Aqueduct Commissioners, or to their Secretary, for delivery to the Comptroller. All deposits, except those of the successful bidders, will be returned by the Comptroller to the persons making the same, within three days after the contracts are awarded. If the successful bidders shall neglect or refuse to execute the contract within ten days after notice of the award to them, the amount of their deposits will be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal, pursuant to the provisions of section 29 of chapter 490 of the Laws of 1883; but if they shall execute the contracts within the time aforesaid, the amount of their deposits will be returned to them.

The amount of security required in the contracts for each section is as follows:

Section 12, Fifty-five thousand dollars.
Section 13, Fifty-seven thousand dollars.
Section 14, Eighty-five thousand dollars.

The surety required is that of two or more householders or resident freeholders of the State of New York (who must collectively qualify for double the amount of the bond) or an approved surety company incorporated under the laws of this State.

The names and residences of the sureties must be stated in the bids.

THE AQUEDUCT COMMISSIONERS RESERVE THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS IF THEY DEEM IT FOR THE BEST INTEREST OF THE CITY SO TO DO.

Blank forms of bid or proposal, and proper envelopes for their inclosure; forms of the contract, specifications and bond; copies of plans, and all other information required, can be obtained at the office of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Room 209 Stewart Building, New York.

By order of the Aqueduct Commissioners.
JAMES W. MCCULLOH,
Secretary.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,
NEW YORK, JANUARY 16, 1886.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FOLLOWING
articles will be offered for sale at public auction, by Messrs. Van Tassel & Kearney, Auctioneers, on Tuesday, January 26, 1886, at the following times and places:

REPAIR SHOPS, Nos. 128 and 130 WEST THIRD STREET At ten o'clock A. M.

Lot No. 1. One ton, more or less, Composition Metal.
" 2. 492 Repair Lamp.
" 3. 24 Brass Signal Lamps.
" 4. 11 Fire Extinguishers.
" 5. 66 Brass Play Pipes.
" 6. 617 pairs Brass Hose Couplings.
" 7. 228 Composition Boiler Tubes.
" 8. 46 Copper Boiler Tubes.
" 9. Lot of Rope.
" 10. Lot of Paper.

STOREHOUSE, 20 ELDRIDGE STREET.
Immediately after the Sale at the Repair Shops.

Lot No. 1. 19 Stoves.
" 2. 13 Ladders of different sizes.
" 3. 11 Ladders of different sizes.
" 4. Lot Iron Chain.
" 5. 5 Blocks.
" 6. 3 Carboys and Acid Jars.
" 7. 3 Brass Preservers.
" 8. 23 Counterpanes.
" 9. 3 Forks, 3 Axes, 1 Hand Saw, 2 Iron Funnels.
" 10. 2 Hay Forks.
" 11. 25 tons, more or less, Old Iron.
" 12. 3 Propeller Engine Wheels and 12 Wagon Wheels.
" 13. 15 Steel Axes.
" 14. 4 Steel Springs.
" 15. 5 Iron Bedsteads.
" 16. 11 Iron Stall Guards.
" 17. 1 Chandler and fixture.
" 18. 2 Radiators.
" 19. 250 Croton Hose.
" 20. 1,200 feet Chemical Engine Hose.
" 21. 43 lengths of 2½-inch Combination Hose.
" 22. 12 lengths of 2½-inch Hose.
" 23. 121 " 2½-inch Cotton Fabric Hose.
" 24. 1 ton, more or less, Copper and Brass.
" 25. Lot of Zinc.

Each of the lots will be sold separately. The right to reject any or all bids received is reserved. The highest bidder in each case that is accepted, will be required to pay for the same in cash at the time of sale, and must remove it on or before the 30th day of January, 1886.

The articles may be seen before the day of sale at the places above specified.

HENRY D. PURROY,
RICHARD CROKER,
EDWARD SMITH,
Commissioners.

HEADQUARTERS
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,
NEW YORK, JANUARY 16, 1886.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT SIX
(6) horses (numbered 58, 164, 171, 182, 245, 278), will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, on Tuesday, January 25, 1886, at 12 o'clock M., by Van Tassel & Kearney, auctioneers, at Nos. 110 and 112 East Thirteenth street.

HENRY D. PURROY,
RICHARD CROKER,
EDWARD SMITH,
Commissioners.

HEADQUARTERS
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,
NEW YORK, JANUARY 9, 1886.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT SIX
Department with the following articles:

350,000 pounds Hay, of the quality and standard known as Best Sweet Timothy.
75,000 pounds good clean Rice Straw.
3,000 bags clean No. 1 White Oats, 80 pounds to the bag.
2,300 bags first quality Bran, 40 pounds to the bag.

—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 11 o'clock A. M., Friday, January 22, 1886, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read. The form of the agreement and specifications, showing the manner of payment for the articles, may be seen and forms of proposals may be obtained at the office of the Department.

All of the articles are to be delivered at the various houses of the Department in such quantities and at such times as may be directed.

Proposals must include all the items, specifying the price per cwt. for hay and straw, and per bag for oats and bran. Any person making an estimate for the above shall present the same in a sealed envelope, to said Board, at said office, on or before the day and hour above named, which envelope shall be indorsed with the name or names of the person or persons presenting the same, the date of its presentation, and a statement of the supply to which it relates.

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 the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000), 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 two hundred dollars (\$200). Such check or money must not be included in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the Estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder neglects, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

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

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

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.

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

Should the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded, neglect or refuse to accept the contract within five days after notice that the same has been awarded to him, or to execute the same, 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 of the Corporation, and the contract will be readvertised and relet, as provided by law.

HENRY D. PURROY, President.
RICHARD CROKER, Commissioner.
EDWARD SMITH, Fire Commissioners.

HEADQUARTERS
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
135 & 137 MERCER STREET,
NEW YORK, May 12, 1885.

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
HENRY D. PURROY, President.
RICHARD CROKER, Commissioner.
EDWARD SMITH, Commissioners.

CARL JUSSEN, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS,
STAATS ZAKEN BUILDING,
NEW YORK, MAY 12, 1886.

IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 87 OF THE City Consolidation Act of 1882, it is hereby advertised that the books of "The Annual Record of the Assessed Valuations of Real and Personal Estate" of the City and County of New York for the year 1886, will be open for examination and correction from the second Monday of January, 1886, until the first day of May, 1886.

All persons believing themselves aggrieved must make application to the Commissioners of Taxes and Assessments, at this office, during the period said books are open, in order to obtain the relief provided by law.

Applications for correction of assessed valuations on personal estate must be made by the person assessed, to the said Commissioners, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M., at this office, during the same period.

MICHAEL COLEMAN,
EDWARD C. DONNELLY,
THOMAS L. FLETCHER,
Commissioners of Taxes and Assessments.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

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

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR GROCERIES, DRY GOODS, CROCKERY, HARDWARE, WOODEN WARE, LIME AND CEMENT, AND LUMBER.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING

GROCERIES.

6,500 pounds Dairy Butter (sample on exhibition Thursday, January 28, 1886).

2 half chests Young Hyson Tea.

2 half chests Fine Oolong Tea.

500 pounds Macaroni.

14 dozen Extract Lemon (1 dozen in box).

550 barrels good, sound Irish Potatoes, to weigh 168 pounds net per barrel.

100 barrels Prime Russia Turnips, 135 pounds net per barrel.

100 bags Prime Carrots, 120 pounds net per barrel.

50 bags Prime Red Onions.

12 dozen Sago, ground, best quality.

12 dozen Thyme, ground, best quality.

250 dozen Fresh Eggs, to be candied.

12 dozen Potash, best quality.

to barrels Sal Soda, prime quality, about 340 pounds per barrel.

100 bags Coarse Meal, 100 pounds net each.

100 bags Fine Meal, 100 pounds net each.

100 bags Bran, 50 pounds net each.

50 bales prime quality Timothy Hay, tare not to exceed 3 pounds, weight charged as received at Blackwell's Island.

300 bales long bright Rye Straw, weight and tare as on hay.

50 barrels prime quality Charcoal (3 bushels each), on hay.

DRY GOODS.

25 bales Cotton Batts, 50 lbs. each, 16 ounces to pound.

50 dozen Spool Cotton, White, No. 30.

20 gross Safety Pins, half each 2 and No. 3.

20 gross Fine Combs.

200 Toilet Brushes.

75 Shawls, women's sizes.

HARDWARE, WOODENWARE, ETC.

6 boxes Brass-head Chair Nails.

12 dozen Trimmers, 8".

12 dozen Brick Trowels.

12 dozen Plasterer's Trowels.

10 dozen Thermometer Manila Rope, 5 inch.

3 dozen Claw Hammers.

100 gross Wood Screws, 15 2 1/2", No. 18; 10 1 1/2", No. 10; 15 1", No. 14; 15 1", No. 8; 15 1", No. 6; 20 1", No. 12.

1 keg 1/2 inch Finishing Nails, rod.

1 gross 2-ft. Rules.

1 dozen Rust Brushes.

12 dozen Window Brushes.

10 dozen Paint Brushes 6 0.

3 dozen Safety Matches.

2 reams Wrapping Paper.

50 pounds Coarse Rope.

100 pounds Manila Twine.

2 coils best quality Manila Rope, 2 1/2-inch, soft laid.

5 coils best quality Manila Rope, 3-inch, soft laid.

10 boxes best quality Charcoal 12 XX, 14 by 20.

2 casks best quality Zinc No. 9.

CROCKERY.

2 gross Tumblers.

1 gross Male Urinals.

1 gross Lantern Gobes.

1 gross Pitchers, pints.

LEATHER.

500 sides Waxed Pig Leather, to average about 11 feet.

LIME AND CEMENT.

25 barrels Rosendale or Lehigh Valley Cement.

25 barrels best quality Chloride of Lime, containing not less than 35 per cent. of Chloride.

5 barrels best quality Paris White.

LUMBER.

10,000 feet best quality Pine Shelving, dressed both sides.

To be delivered at Blackwell's Island.

1,500 square feet first quality clear Ceiling Boards 12 x 2, wide, tongued and grooved.

1,000 square feet first quality clear White Pine, 1 in. x 10 in. x 13 feet, dressed both sides.

2,000 pieces best merchantable White Pine Boards, 2 in. x 3 in. wide, 13 feet long, dressed, tongued and grooved.

To be delivered at Hart's Island.

—will be received at the Department of Public Charities and Correction, in the City of New York, until 9 o'clock A. M., Friday, January 29, 1886. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Groceries, Dry Goods, Crockery, Hardware, Woodenware, Lime and Cement, and Lumber," with his or their name 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 Department and read.

THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS OR ESTIMATES IF DEEMED TO BE FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 64, CHAPTER 416, LAWS OF 1882.

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, and in such quantities as may be directed by the said Commissioners.

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect; and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, 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; also that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; and that no member of the Common Council, Head of a Department, Chief of a Bureau, Deputy thereof or Clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

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

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

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

Payment will be made by a requisition on the Comptroller, in accordance with the terms of the contract.

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Hundred and Fiftieth street to a point 500 feet northerly therefrom.

List 2274, No. 6. Sewer in Eighth-third street, between Boulevard and West End avenue.

List 2275, No. 7. Sewer in Fourth avenue, east side, between Fifty-seventh and Fifty-eighth streets.

List 2276, No. 8. Sewer in Fifth-ninth street, between Eighth avenue and end of present sewer east of Eighth avenue.

List 2283, No. 9. Regulating, grading, curb and flagging in One Hundred and Forty-first street, from Tenth Avenue to Diagonal avenue.

List 2299, No. 10. Construction of One Hundred and Fourth street, between Tenth Avenue and Boulevard.

The limits embraced by such assessments include all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land situated on:

No. 1. Both sides of West End avenue, from Ninety-sixth to One Hundred and Fifth street; also block bounded by Ninety-sixth and Ninety-seventh streets Boulevard and West End avenues; also block bounded by Ninety-eighth and Ninety-ninth streets, Boulevard and West End avenues, and also both sides of Ninety-ninth, One Hundredth, One Hundred and First and One Hundred and Second streets, extending 200 feet westerly from the westerly line of said boulevard.

No. 2. Both sides of Ninth avenue, between Eighty-first and Eighty-third streets.

No. 3. Both sides of Beekman place, from Forty-ninth to Fiftieth street.

No. 4. Both sides of One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, between College avenue and One Hundred and Forty-third street.

No. 5. Both sides of Walton avenue, from One Hundred and Fiftieth street, extending 500 feet northerly therefrom.

No. 6. Both sides of Eighty-third street, from Boulevard to West End avenue.

No. 7. East side of Fourth avenue, between Fifty-seventh and Fifty-eighth streets.

No. 8. Both sides of Fifty-ninth street, extending 205 feet easterly from the circle at the junction of Broadway and Eighth avenue.

No. 9. Both sides of One Hundred and Forty-first street, from Tenth to Diagonal avenue, and to the extent of one-half the block at the intersection of Tenth and Diagonal avenues.

No. 10. Both sides of One Hundred and Fourth street from Boulevard to Tenth Avenue, also west side of Tenth Avenue, from One Hundred and Fourth to One Hundred and Fifth street, and south side of One Hundred and Fifth street, extending 175 feet westerly from Tenth Avenue.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, may present their objections in writing to the Chairman of the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 115 City Hall, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

The above-described list will be transmitted, as provided by law, to the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments for confirmation, on the 26th day of January, 1886.

EDWARD GILON, Chairman.
PATRICK M. HAVERY,
CHAS. E. WENDT,
VAN BRUGH LIVINGSTON,
Board of Assessors.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS,
No. 115 City Hall,
NEW YORK, December 24, 1885.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

PUBLIC SALE OF THE FRANCHISE OF THE FULTON AND OTHER FERRIES, BETWEEN THE CITIES OF NEW YORK AND BROOKLYN.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York, by virtue of the powers vested in them, will offer for sale, at public auction, on Saturday, January 30, 1886, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the Comptroller's Office, in the Stewart Building, corner of Broadway and Chambers street, in said city, a lease for the term of five years, from the first day of May, 1886, of all the franchises for operating the ferries between the Cities of New York and Brooklyn, along with the wharf property belonging to the City of New York, now occupied, used and required for ferry purposes in connection therewith by the present lessees, situated in the said Cities of New York and Brooklyn, as follows, to-wit:

1. The Fulton Ferry, between Fulton street, in the City of New York, and Fulton street, in the City of Brooklyn.

2. The Wall Street Ferry, between Wall street, in the City of New York, and Montague street, in the City of Brooklyn.

3. The Catharine Ferry, between Catharine street, in the City of New York, and Main street, in the City of Brooklyn.

The South Ferry, between Whitehall street, in the City of New York, and Atlantic avenue, in the City of Brooklyn.

5. The Hamilton Avenue Ferry, between Whitehall street, in the City of New York, and Hamilton avenue, in the City of Brooklyn.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE.

The franchises of, or the right to operate said ferries shall be sold all together under one bid, to the highest bidder, at public auction, along with the said wharf property belonging to the City of New York, used and required for ferry purposes at the respective landings of said ferries in the cities of New York and Brooklyn, for a percentage upon the total gross receipts from all the ferries for ferrage, payable quarterly. The upset price or percentage rate at which the same shall be offered for sale, as fixed by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, in lieu of a yearly rental, shall be 12½ per cent upon the gross receipts derived from ferrage at said ferries during the term of the lease.

The highest bidder for or purchaser of the lease, other than the Union Ferry Company, shall be required to purchase at a fair appraised valuation, the boats, buildings and other property situated at the landings of the said ferries belonging to the said Union Ferry Company, and used upon the said ferries respectively, actually necessary and used for the purposes thereof, which said appraised valuation shall be made in the following manner, to-wit:

The purchaser or lessee, other than the present lessees shall nominate and the present lessees, to-wit: the Union Ferry Company, shall nominate, each a disinterested person to act as appraiser, and said persons shall together make and approve the appraisement, and their property, and report their conclusion thereon, in writing, with their signatures thereon.

And in case said two appraisers are unable to agree thereon within thirty days after their appointment, then and in that case they shall have power to choose a disinterested person as umpire, or in case of their failure within ten days after the expiration of said thirty days to agree upon an umpire, then the election of an umpire shall be made by the Board of Assessors, and the Court for the First Judicial Department upon application of either party in two days' notice to the other, and said umpire shall in like manner value and appraise said boats, buildings and other property necessary for the operation of said ferries, which appraised valuation shall be made at least four months prior to the termination of the then existing lease, in such manner as shall be determined by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, and the amount of

such appraised valuation shall be paid, or the payment thereof shall be secured by the purchaser of a lease for another succeeding term other than the then lease of said ferries.

The highest bidder or purchaser of the lease of said ferries shall also be required to pay to the Comptroller at the time of the sale, the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, which the auctioneer shall receive, and the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars shall be applied to the payment of rent first becoming due under the lease of said ferries so sold, in case it shall be duly executed with the covenants therein contained, as prepared by the Comptroller of the City of New York, subject to examination at the Comptroller's office, after a certain day to be named in the advertisement of the sale, but if the said lease should not be executed after due notice by the Comptroller, the amount so paid shall be forfeited to the City as provided in an agreement and obligation which shall be entered into at the time of the sale, with two good and satisfactory securities to this effect, to-wit: that he will execute said lease, and also give and execute a bond with two sureties, to be approved by the Comptroller, for the punctual payment of the amount due under the lease quarter-yearly, and for the faithful performance of each and all the covenants therein contained.

2. All that certain wharf property, consisting of bulkheads, slips and adjacent piers Nos. 21 and 22, now used and required for ferry purposes, at the foot of Fulton street, in the City of New York, the surface of said piers, however, being reserved, excepting so far as the same may be required and is now occupied by fences or guards for protection behind the racks or piles in the slips, as shown on maps in the Department of Docks; and

3. All that certain wharf property, consisting of bulkheads, slips and adjacent piers, now used and required for ferry purposes, at the foot of Fulton street, in the City of Brooklyn.

4. All that certain wharf property, consisting of bulkheads, slips and adjacent piers Nos. 14 and 15, except the surface, now used and required for ferry purposes, at the foot of Catharine street, in the City of New York.

5. All that certain wharf property, consisting of bulkheads, slips and half the adjacent pier on the westerly side of the slip, now used and required for ferry purposes, at the foot of Main street, in the City of Brooklyn.

6. All that certain wharf property, consisting of bulkheads, slips and adjacent piers Nos. 14 and 15, except the surface, now used and required for ferry purposes, at the foot of Hamilton avenue, in the City of Brooklyn.

7. All that certain wharf property, consisting of bulkheads, slips and adjacent piers, now used and required for ferry purposes, at the foot of Atlantic avenue, and at the foot of Hamilton avenue, in the City of Brooklyn.

8. All that certain wharf property, consisting of bulkheads, slips and adjacent piers, now used and required for ferry purposes, at the foot of Wall street, in the City of New York.

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Seventieth, Seventy-first and Seventy-second streets, and Boulevard, basins southwest corner of, and at the junction of Boulevard and Tenth Avenue at Seventy-fourth street, and at Seventy-fifth street, and on southwest corner of Seventy-third street and Tenth Avenue.

Tenth Avenue paving from the northerly crosswalk of Macadam street to a line one foot north of said crosswalk with the north curb of One Hundred and Thirtieth street.

One Hundred and Tenth street regulating, grading, setting curbstones and flagging, and paving with Telford pavement, from First Avenue to Riverside Drive.

One Hundred and Forty-first street regulating, grading, setting curbstones and flagging, from Avenue St. Nicholas to Tenth Avenue.

One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street regulating and grading at intersection with the Public Drive.

Lincoln Avenue and Southern Boulevard, laying crosswalks across the northern, eastern and western intersections.

One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street and Railroad Avenue, laying crosswalks at the northerly and southerly intersections.

One Hundred and Sixty-sixth street and Forest Avenue, filling sunken lots on the northwest corner.

—which were confirmed by the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments, January 8, 1886, and entered on the same date in the Record of Titles of Assessments, kept in the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents," 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 the assessments, interest will be collected thereon as provided in section 917 of said "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882."

Section 917 of the said act provides that, "If any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said Record of Titles of Assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment, to charge, collect, and receive interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated from the date of such entry to the date of payment."

The above assessments are payable to the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, at the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents," between the hours of 9 A.M. and 2 P.M., and all payments made thereon, on or before March 1, 1886, 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 to the date of payment.

EDWARD V. LOEW,
Comptroller.

INTEREST ON CITY STOCKS.

THE INTEREST ON THE BONDS AND STOCKS of the City of New York, due February 1, 1886, will be paid daily by the Comptroller, at the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents," in the Stewart Building, corner of Broadway and Chambers street.

The Transfer Books will be closed from January 16 to February 1, 1886.

EDWARD V. LOEW,
Comptroller.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT—COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, January 8, 1886.

CORPORATION SALE OF REAL ESTATE ON FIFTH AVENUE AND ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SEVENTH, ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-EIGHTH, ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-NINTH, AND ONE HUNDRED AND FORTIETH STREETS IN THE TWELFTH WARD.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, by virtue of the powers vested in them, will offer for sale at public auction, on Tuesday, February 3, 1886, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the Real Estate Exchange and Auction Room (limited), Nos. 35 and 37 Liberty street, the following real estate belonging to the corporation of said city, to-wit:

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

First—Beginning at the corner formed by the intersection of the westerly side of the Fifth Avenue with the southerly line of Fifth Avenue; and thence running westerly along the southerly line of One Hundred and Fortieth street, one hundred and forty feet, or thereabouts, to the point formed by the intersection of the southerly line of One Hundred and Fortieth street with the westerly line of Fifth Avenue; and thence running easterly along the southerly line of One Hundred and Fortieth street, one hundred and forty feet, or thereabouts, to the point formed by the intersection of the southerly line of One Hundred and Fortieth street with the westerly line of Fifth Avenue; and thence running easterly along the southerly line of One Hundred and Fortieth street, one hundred and forty feet, or thereabouts, to the point formed by the intersection of the southerly line of One Hundred and Fortieth street with the westerly line of Fifth Avenue; and thence running easterly along the southerly line of One Hundred and Fortieth street, one hundred and forty feet, or thereabouts, to the point formed by the intersection of the southerly line of One Hundred and Fortieth street with the westerly line of Fifth Avenue; 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