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PROCLAMATION.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, Feb. 6, 1874.

Whereas, Nicholas Ryan and his sister Mary Ryan were found dead at their residence, No. 204 Broome street, on the 20th December last, and whereas the coroner's jury, from the facts elicited during the inquest, were unable to determine the manner of their death; and

Whereas, from such an examination of the case as I have been enabled to make, I am of the opinion that the said Nicholas and Mary Ryan were brutally murdered, at the time and place above stated, now,

I, WILLIAM F. HAVEMEYER, Mayor of the City of New York, do hereby offer a reward of one thousand dollars for the discovery and conviction of the party or parties who may have committed the deed, the said reward to be paid on the conviction of the said party or parties, and the certificate of the District Attorney that such conviction was had upon the testimony of the person or persons claiming the reward. But all claims not presented to the Mayor within twenty days after such conviction shall be disregarded.

W. F. HAVEMEYER,
Mayor.

COMMISSIONERS OF THE SINKING FUND.

Abstract of the proceedings of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, at the meeting held January 31, 1874.

Present—Hon. William F. Havemeyer, Mayor, (Chairman); Hon. John K. Hackett, Recorder; Hon. Andrew H. Green, Comptroller; George W. Lane, Esq., Chamberlain; Jenkins Van Schaick, Esq., Chairman Finance Committee Board of Aldermen.

The Comptroller stated that it having been decided to rebuild Centre Market, it became necessary to cancel the lease of the second floor of the same, to William Lalor for five years from May 1, 1872, and submitted the following preamble and resolution, which, on motion, were unanimously adopted, viz.:

Whereas, The whole of the second floor of Centre Market was leased by the city of New York for the term of five years from May 1, 1872, to William Lalor, with a covenant in the lease that "should the Corporation sell, lease, rebuild or remove Centre Market during the term for which this lease is granted, this lease is to be cancelled, at the option of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, and no deduction or award for damages will be made by the Corporation therefor;" and

Whereas, It has been decided to rebuild Centre Market; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the lease of the whole of the second floor of Centre Market, made by the city with William Lalor, on May 7, 1872, be cancelled, in accordance with the said covenant contained therein, and the Comptroller is authorized to take possession of such premises on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the city of New York.

The Comptroller submitted a list of real estate belonging to the city, and not in use for public purposes, which may be sold at public auction, under the direction of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund; which, on motion, was laid over for consideration; whereupon, the Chamberlain offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was adopted, viz.:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be authorized to appoint an appraiser to fix the minimum value

of the real estate to be sold at public auction, under the direction of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, and that he be directed to report such valuations to this Board.

The Comptroller also submitted a list of ferries and ferry franchises, the leases of which have expired; which, on motion, was ordered on file for future reference.

The committee (Comptroller and Chamberlain) to whom was referred the subject of ferries and ferry franchises, submitted their report, which, on motion of the Chairman of the Finance Committee, Board of Aldermen, was accepted, and ordered to be printed, viz.:

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

The Comptroller and Chamberlain of the City, to whom was referred the subject of Ferries and Ferry Franchises, by a resolution of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, passed July 1st, 1873, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having given this important subject careful attention, and present to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund the following suggestions relative thereto: These ferries are, without doubt, a valuable property, capable of returning to the City a large annual revenue if properly administered; they have not heretofore been so remunerative to the City as they should have been. Hoffman's "Treatise on the Estate and Rights of the Corporation of the City of New York as proprietors," edition of 1862, volume 1, pages 286 to 302, clearly states the rights of the City to the ferries.

The final determination of the propriety of establishing or continuing ferries all around the island, is in the Corporation of the City of New York, and in view of the fact that the City does not own all the wharf and pier rights in use, or that may be needed for such purposes, and that it might be unwise to acquire them by purchase, it would seem best that all ferry leases, under future leases, be required to pay rent equal to the value of rental for exclusive purposes of all wharf and pier rights the City may own at the designated location of the ferry, and which are used by the ferry or otherwise rendered valueless by its establishment; and in addition thereto, a percentage of the gross receipts of the ferry, as consideration for the use of the franchise; and that all locations where the City does not own any wharf rights, such per cent. only should be paid, and that if ferries are let to the highest bidder, the foregoing rates be made the upset price, and the lease be granted to the party who will pay in cash, or in quarterly installments, the greatest sum of money as bonus, in addition to such upset price; that all boats, fixtures, bulkheads and piers used by the ferries be maintained by the lessees at their own cost; that the slips be dredged and kept clean at their own expense, and that new leases or renewals of existing leases be made, not exceeding nine months nor less than six months before the commencement of the new lease, or the expiration of the then current lease, and also that if the upset price is not offered, the ferry be not established, or if established, be discontinued.

It is also suggested, that in lieu of the percentage, each ferry might pay a *per capita* rate upon each person or vehicle carried. Whichever method is adopted, proper covenants should be inserted in the lease to insure correct accounts of persons carried, and of income, and to fix a limit of rates to be charged so that they will not be oppressive or detrimental.

A schedule of ferries now established, with description of property belonging to the City in use by them, and the rents reserved in the leases, is hereto annexed, by which it appears that 2,695 feet of bulkhead, and equal to nine (9) piers, are exclusively used by them, which would, in the opinion of John J. Serrell, Esq., an experienced engineer and surveyor, whose views on the whole subject have been furnished at the request of the undersigned, be worth, for other special uses, at least \$143,000 per year, while the present rents reserved, including such as are for franchise only, amount to but \$58,604, showing an actual loss to the City of \$84,096 per year.

There is no doubt that these franchises should be productive of greater revenues to the City, but the undersigned discover, that with this character of public property, the condition, as with all others which they have had occasion to investigate; namely, that a past profligate error has tied it up with imprudent leases and conditions, that it will be long before a new era can be fully entered upon without resorting to litigation and protracted legal conflicts.

The Atlantic or South, the Fulton, Wall street, Catharine and Hamilton avenue ferries are leased to the Union Ferry Company for a period of ten years from May 1, 1871, at a rent of \$1 each per annum. These ferries formerly yielded a rent to the City of \$103,000 per annum, showing a loss under leases made by the late regime of \$102,995 per annum, or over one million of dollars loss to the City for the term of the lease. For this nominal rent of \$1 per annum, the Union Ferry Company get 1065 feet of bulkhead and two piers in addition to the ferries.

The old argument will be revived that the city is benefitted by ferries to a greater extent than the loss of rent, by a system of non-remunerative leases. The neighborhood surrounding the city, is however, benefitted much more than the city, as is evidenced by the fact that ferry lessees are, and have been almost exclusively, owners of real

estate opposite the city and depending on ferries for increase of value, or interested in railroads terminating there.

A schedule annexed shows the unpaid ferry rents so far as they appear in the Finance Department. These rents are now collected through the Department of Docks, and there is no record of arrears in the Finance Department.

By chapter 383 of the laws of 1870, the Department of Docks seems to have exclusive charge and control of leasing all wharf property belonging to the city, and it may be that while the law stands as it appears now to be, it would be well that this Department should act conjointly with the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund in cases of the leasing of wharves or piers for ferry purposes. The law in this respect should be altered so as to preserve this right of leasing ferries and the necessary pier and bulkhead accommodations, exclusively to the Sinking Fund Commissioners.

The undersigned are clearly of the opinion that the income of the city can and ought to be greatly increased, and that it can be done without injury to property interests and without any increase of charges to persons carried, and still leave the ferry companies a fair profit on the business.

The extent to which the Brooklyn Bridge will, when complete, effect the ferries, is quite impossible to state. There is no doubt, however, that an increasing population an increase of business will be of an extent sufficient to require all the crossing facilities that the bridge and ferries can furnish.

With the view of affording some facts on the subject, there is appended hereto an extract from a report on the subject of bridge accommodation made by one of the undersigned in the year 1868.

AND, H. GREEN,
Comptroller.
GEO. W. LANE,
Chamberlain.

SCHEDULE OF FERRY LEASES.

Staten Island Ferry—Lease expires May 1, 1877. Staten Island R. R. Co. lessee; \$1,000 per annum. 120 feet of bulkhead, Whitehall street.

Hamilton Avenue Ferry—Lease expires May 1, 1881. Union Ferry Co. lessee; \$1 per annum, with other ferries. 220 feet of bulkhead, Whitehall street, and west half of pier 2, E. R.

Wall Street Ferry—Lease expires May 1, 1881. Union Ferry Co. lessee; \$1 per annum, with other ferries. 95 feet of bulkhead foot of Wall street, and east half pier No. 15, E. R.

Fulton Ferry—Lease expires May 1, 1881. Union Ferry Co. lessee; \$1 per annum, with other ferries. 150 feet of bulkhead, Fulton street, N. Y., east half pier No. 21, and west half pier No. 22, E. R., 300 feet of bulkhead foot of Fulton street, Brooklyn.

Roosevelt Street Ferry—Lease expires Nov. 1, 1877. New York & Brooklyn Ferry Co. lessee; \$6,400 per annum. 250 feet of bulkhead, South street, between Roosevelt and James streets; pier No. 30, and west half of pier No. 31, E. R.

James Slip Ferry to Hunters Point—Lease expires May 1, 1878. East River Ferry Co. lessee; \$4,600 per annum. Lease not executed. 125 feet of bulkhead, foot James street; east half pier No. 31, and west half pier No. 32, E. R.

Ferry, James street to South 6th street, Brooklyn—Lease expires May 1, 1874. New York & Brooklyn Ferry Co. lessee; \$3,450 per annum. Nothing but ferry franchise.

Ferry, James street to Bridge street, Brooklyn—Lease expires May 1, 1874. New York & Brooklyn Ferry Co. lessee; \$600 per annum. Nothing but ferry franchise.

Catharine Ferry—Lease expires May 1, 1881. Union Ferry Co. lessee; \$1 per annum, with other ferries. 200 feet of bulkhead foot of Catharine street, N. Y.; 100 feet of bulkhead foot of Main street, Brooklyn.

Grand street, N. Y., to Grand street, Brooklyn, E. D.—No lease, no rents. New York and Brooklyn Ferry Co. occupants. North half of pier No. 55; 125 feet of bulkhead, and south half short pier foot of Grand street, E. R., N. Y.; 100 feet of bulkhead foot of Grand street, Brooklyn, E. D.

Grand street, N. Y., to South 7th street, Brooklyn—Lease expires May 1, 1874. New York & Brooklyn Ferry Co. lessee; \$3,000 per annum. Nothing but ferry franchise.

Houston street, N. Y., to Grand street, Brooklyn, E. D.—Wm. W. Winans and his associates, occupants; \$9,000 per annum. 30 feet of bulkhead foot of Houston street, E. R., New York; 100 feet of bulkhead foot of Grand street, Brooklyn, E. D.

10th street, E. R., N. Y., to Greenpoint, Long Island—Lease expires May 1, 1875. Gideon Lee Knapp lessee; \$1,300 per annum. Nothing but ferry franchise.

23d street, E. R., N. Y., to Greenpoint, Long Island—Lease expires May 1, 1874. Gideon Lee Knapp lessee; \$600 per annum. 100 feet of bulkhead foot of 23d street E. R.

34th street, E. R., N. Y., to Hunters Point, Long Island—Lease expires Nov. 1, 1877. East River Ferry Co. lessee; \$800 per annum. 75 feet of bulkhead foot of 34th street, E. R.

92d street, E. R., N. Y., to Astoria, Queens county, Long Island—No lease. Queens Ferry Co. lessee; \$50 per annum. 100 feet of bulkhead foot of Fulton street, Astoria; bulkhead foot of 92d street, N. Y.

NORTH RIVER.

Ferry to Staten Island, north shore—No lease. No rent paid for this ferry.

Jersey City Ferry—Lease expires May 1, 1876. New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Co. lessee; \$7,500 per annum. 30 feet of bulkhead foot of Courtlandt street, N. Y., and south half pier No. 18, N. R.

Barclay Street Ferry to Hoboken, N. J.—Edwin A. Stevens, lessee; \$1,000 per annum. Nothing but ferry franchise.

Pavonia Avenue Ferry—10 years from May 1, 1864. Erie Railway Co. lessee; \$9,300 per annum. Pier No. 30, N. R.; half of bulkhead between that and pier No. 31, N. R., together with L in upper side of pier No. 30, N. R.

Desbrosses street to Harsimus street, Jersey City, N. J.—Lease expired May 1, 1872. Associates of the Jersey Co. occupants; \$1,000 per annum. Nothing but ferry franchise.

Spring street to Hoboken, N. J.—10 years from June 1, 1866. William J. Peck lessee; \$8,000 per annum.

North half and L of pier No. 42, N. R., with south half of pier No. 43, extending to the L with basin between. Christopher street to Hoboken, N. J.—Lease expires May 1, 1874. William W. Shippen lessee; \$800 per annum. 75 feet of bulkhead foot of Christopher street, N. R.

42d Street Ferry to Weehawken, N. J.—Lease expires July 20, 1880. William D. Harris, lessee; \$500 per annum. 100 feet of bulkhead foot of 42d street, N. R.

23d Street Ferry to Pavonia avenue, N. J.—Until May 1, 1876. Erie Railway Co. Ferry leases, pp. 346, (Resolution C. C., Sept. 24, 1866, J. P., pp. 331), \$50 per annum. Bulkhead 100 feet foot of 23d street, N. Y.

SCHEDULE SHOWING UNPAID FERRY RENTS.

Long Island Ferry Company, 4½ years, to May 1, 1864; ferry from Peck slip. Leased to J. V. Meserole and others, transferred to Long Island Ferry Company, being for ten years from May 1, 1859. Ferry franchise rescinded by the Corporation May, 1864, for which the company claimed damages. Suit in the hands of Corporation Counsel. \$94,500

14 years to Nov. 1, 1873, ferry from foot of Grand street, E. R., \$15,000 per annum. Original lease to J. V. Meserole and others for ten years from May 1, 1859, transferred to Long Island Ferry Co., who, it appears have paid nothing. The New York and Brooklyn Ferry Co., now in possession, refuse to pay, claiming they run the ferry by request and for the accommodation of the public. Suit in the hands of the Corporation Counsel. 210,000

Union Ferry Company of Brooklyn, 3 months to May 1, 1871. On ferries to Brooklyn refuse to pay, claiming as an offset that portion of the property included in their original lease, was taken by the New York & Brooklyn Bridge Company. In suit. 22,150

Associate Houston Street Ferry Company, 18 months to Nov. 1, 1873. Lease expired May 1, 1872. 13,500

J. C., R. L. and E. A. Stevens. Balance apparently due from 1829 to 1835. Barclay Street Ferry. 1,450

Sophia U. D. Laing, 5½ years to Aug. 1, 1862. From 39th street, N. R., to Bull's Ferry, N. J. Lease 10 years from Aug. 1, 1852, at \$100 per annum for the first five years, and \$200 for the last five years. 1,150

\$342,750

Extract from a communication of Andrew H. Green, Esq., late Comptroller of the Parks, relative to Westchester County, Harlem River and Spuyten Duyvil Creek, to the Board of Commissioners of Central Park, December 30, 1868.

"There are now in London seven bridges across the Thames, devoted to ordinary traffic, and three exclusively for railways, within the distance of three miles, beginning at the east, they are as follows: London Bridge, Southwark Bridge, for general traffic, and at a distance of 1,450 feet from the former, between there, is a railway bridge, the next is Blackfriars Bridge, at a distance of 2450 feet from Southwark Bridge; another railway bridge lies between the two last named; then comes Waterloo Bridge at 2,900 feet from Blackfriars Bridge, then Westminster Bridge, 3,150 feet from Waterloo Bridge, with another railway bridge between them, next is Lambeth Bridge, distant from Westminster Bridge 2,250 feet, and is followed by Vauxhall Bridge, 2,700 feet further up the river and near the limit of dense population; beyond these are Chelsea and Battersea Bridges, each at interval a little over a mile.

"These bridges vary in length from 708 feet to 1380 feet and are of various widths.

"Less than a century ago the only bridges over the Thames within the above limits, were Old London, Blackfriars and Westminster. * * * Most of these bridges are designed upon an extensive and magnificent scale as to the extent of the accommodation afforded, and are works of engineering skill and architectural beauty. It is stated that the cost of the New London Bridge and the approaches to it over thirty years ago, was £2,000,000 sterling, or about fourteen millions of United States currency. In addition to the bridges mentioned, the opposite banks of the Thames are connected by the Thames Tunnel at the distance of about two miles below London bridge.

"Within the limits of the city of Paris, the river Seine is crossed by twenty-six bridges in the distance of seven and a half miles, including the number which cross both of the channels, passing the Isle of St. Louis and Isle de Palais.

"Seven of these bridges are suspension, three are of iron on stone piers, one is of wood, and the rest are of stone; their length varies from one hundred and seventy feet to four hundred and sixty feet, and their breadth from fifteen feet to eighty-three feet; two of them are for foot passengers only, and two exclusively for railways.

"Twelve of the bridges are less than one thousand feet distant from the nearest bridge to them. Between fourteen of them the distance is less than two thousand feet each, and the greatest distance between any two of them is but four thousand and seven hundred feet.

"Whenever the population of New York and Westchester shall assume the density on the shores of the Harlem River and Spuyten Duyvil Creek, which that of London has on the Thames, and Paris on the Seine, the means of communication must be fully equal to that afforded across the Thames and Seine, and it must be borne in mind that the general traffic over bridges crossing the Thames and Seine is not obstructed by draws and openings.

"The length of the water-way from the North river to Little Hell Gate measured through the Spuyten Duyvil Creek and the Harlem River, is about 39,000 feet—nearly eight miles.

"The average distance between bridges for general traffic in London, is 2,100 feet, in Paris, 1,500 feet.

"The average distance of those in London would give nineteen, and of those of Paris nearly twenty-five for equal accommodation across the Harlem river and Spuyten Duyvil Creek to the East River, and their length, excepting those that may be built on the suspension plan, would probably vary from 250 to 600 feet.

"If the City of New York and Long Island shall hereafter be connected by bridges, the distance between Ward's Island and the Battery would require twenty-two of them, if they crossed as frequently as in London, and thirty if they were built as near each other as in Paris.

"The construction of proper approaches to tunnels under the Harlem River would be much easier than in London, because the average rise and fall of tide is nearly 14 feet less in New York than in London, and that difference in grade alone would be very beneficial if equal size of tunnel and depth of channel were maintained in both cities.

"The width of the Seine, through the City of Paris is from 100 to 600 feet.

"The width of the Thames, through the City of London, is from 870 to 1200 feet.

"The width of the Harlem river and Spuyten Duyvil creek, between New York and Westchester, is from 200 to 450 feet.

"The width of the East river, between the pier head lines of New York and Brooklyn, is from 1200 to 2500 feet.

"The width of the North river, between New York and New Jersey, is from 2700 feet to 4000 feet, between the pier head lines."

The Comptroller stated that the lease of premises No. 73 Elm street, with covenant of renewal, will expire May 1, 1874; whereupon the Chamberlain submitted the following resolution, which, on motion, was adopted.

Resolved, That the Comptroller be authorized to appoint an appraiser on behalf of the Corporation, to settle the rent on renewal of the lease of premises No. 73 Elm street, the present term of which will expire on May 1, 1874.

The application of Isaac Williamson for reduction of rent of cellar No. 1 Centre Market, in consequence of alterations of the premises caused by recent repairs of market, etc., was received, and on motion of the Chairman of the Finance Committee, Board of Aldermen, was referred to the Comptroller to examine and report.

The following applications for water grants were received and referred to the Comptroller, viz.:

Application of Adam Neidlinger and others, for water grant on East river, between 63d and 46th streets.

Application of Cordelia S. Steward, for water grant on East river, between 73d and 74th streets.

Application of James H. Jones for water grant on the East river, between 67th and 68th streets.

Application of Joseph J. & W. Henry Potter, for water grant on Harlem river at 201st street. W. H. DIKEMAN, Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTIONS.

DAILY MEETINGS FEB. 9 TO 14, 1874.
AT 9 O'CLOCK, A.M.

Present—Commissioners Laimbeer, Bowen, Stern.

The following communications were received:

From Almshouse, Workhouse, Charity, Smallpox, Fever, Bellevue, Reception, Convalescent Hospitals, Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's and Ward's Island Inebriate Asylum and Soldiers' Retreat. Reporting daily census of these institutions. Ordered on file.

From Lunatic Asylum, Blackwells and Wards Island. Daily report of the number of patients and how employed. Ordered on file.

From Lunatic Asylum, Blackwells and Wards Island—Transmitting history of patients admitted for week ending February 7, 1874. Referred to Examining Clerk.

From Alms House—Amount of labor performed by mechanics (inmates) for week ending February 14, 1874. Ordered on file.

From Penitentiary—List of prisoners received during week ending Feb. 7, and the number to be discharged from 15th to 21st February, 1874. Ordered on file.

From Charity Hospital—On fitting up pavilion for cases of scarlet fever and measles, and for an orderly and nurse. Granted.

From Bellevue Hospital—Complaint against John Hines, assistant keeper at dead house. Ordered to be discharged.

From New York City Asylum for the Insane, Ward's Island—Reporting Michael Moran, attendant, absent without leave. Ordered to be discharged.

From Penitentiary—On the application of keeper Woods to be allowed pay during his absence. Not granted.

From New York City Asylum for the Insane, Ward's Island—Complaint against Martin Lawlor, carpenter. Ordered to be discharged.

From J. C. Pinckney, Clerk of Common Council—Notice of visit of special committee of Board of Aldermen to Hart's Island, February 12, 1874. Arrangements ordered to be made.

From Penitentiary—Resignation of William Bennett as keeper. Accepted.

From Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's Island—For services of a prisoner to caulk floor of Hall No. 7. Ordered.

From New York City Asylum for the Insane, Ward's Island—Resignation of Charles Benet, attendant. Accepted.

From Hart's Island—Reporting death of

Eugene Barry. Notified his wife who will remove his body.

From Pierpont Edwards, Vice Consul—For information relative to Alfred Jee, on School Ship Mercury. Furnished.

From Bellevue Hospital—Complaint against John J. O'Leary and Lawrence Griffin, night watchman. Ordered to be discharged.

From Peter Vule, Captain of the Sanitary Police Co—Transmitting certificate of qualification of Henry V. Freeman as engineer of New York City Asylum for the Insane, Ward's Island. Ordered on file.

From M. M. Marshall, superintendent of stables—Report of work performed by wagons of the Department during week ending February 7, 1874.

From Col. D. Archie Pell—Presenting a large number of books for the use of soldiers at the Retreat, Ward's Island. Accepted, with the thanks of the Board.

From New York City Asylum for the Insane, Ward's Island—On the delivery of notices of deaths of inmates. Ordered by the Board that a report be made to the institution from which they were received, whether the notices were delivered to the relatives or friends, and if they intend to remove the body for interment.

By Commissioner Laimbeer: Resolved, That the warden of the City Prison be requested to report to this Board the amount it would cost this department to furnish dinner to the several keepers at the Tombs, in order to prevent their leaving the building during the day.

Feb. 9, 1874. By the Board. Adopted.

By Commissioner Stern: Resolved, That the twenty-four wooden bunks now in use in the cells of the 2d district prison be removed and replaced with iron cots, and that the warden of penitentiary be requested to have the same made and similar to those now used at the work-house.

Feb. 10, 1874. By the Board. Adopted.

Ordered, That no visitors be admitted to the 2d, 3d, 4th and 5th district prisons except by permit signed by a Commissioner.

Feb. 10, 1874.

Report of William H. Knapp, supervising engineer, on his examination and condition of scales at the several institutions.

By the Board. Ordered that scales be purchased and repaired, as reported on, under the supervision of Mr. Knapp.

Feb. 11, 1874.

By Commissioner Stern: Resolved, That James Merry be and is hereby appointed a keeper at the Penitentiary, in place of William Bennett, resigned.

Feb. 11, 1874. By the Board. Adopted.

Application to Department of Docks to build crib dock at east side of Randall's Island.

Feb. 11, 1874.

By Commissioner Stern: Resolved, That the keepers of the City Prison take their dinner or lunch at their own expense, on the premises of the prison, and that they are not allowed as heretofore to leave the prison from the time they enter on their duties until relieved. This resolution to take effect on the 6th inst.

Feb. 11, 1874. By the Board. Adopted.

By Commissioner Laimbeer: Resolved, That William Fletcher be permitted to return to duty as keeper of the Tombs.

Feb. 12, 1874. By the Board. Adopted.

John J. Kelly appointed keeper at Hart's Island, in place of George J. Crawford, deceased.

Feb. 13, 1874.

By Commissioner Stern: Resolved, That the Quassaick Woolen Mill Company of Newburgh, N. Y., N. B. Hoyt, treasurer, be and are hereby requested to manufacture for this Department five hundred yards of striped prison cloth, and two hundred and fifty yards of plain prison cloth, as per sample exhibited at this office, at the price of \$1.28 per running yard for the striped, and \$1.20 for the plain cloth, with the option of this Board to order larger quantities if required of both kinds at the same price.

Feb. 13, 1874. By the Board. Adopted.

CORONER'S OFFICE,

NEW YORK, February 12, 1874.

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners of Charities and Correction:

In order to avoid any misapprehension, the Board of Coroners have instructed me to transmit to your Honorable Board a copy of the following sections of the laws of 1871, chapter 462.

Section 1. Hereafter when in the City and County of New York any person shall die from criminal violence, or by a casualty, or suddenly, when in apparent health, or when unattended by a physician, or in prison, or in any suspicious or unusual manner, the coroner shall subpoena a properly qualified physician, who shall view the body of such deceased person externally, or make an autopsy thereon as may be required.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of any citizen who may become aware of the death of a person who shall have died in the manner stated in section 1 of this act, to report such death forthwith to one of the coroners or to any police officer, and such police officer shall without delay notify the coroner of such death, and any person who shall wilfully neglect or refuse to report such death to the coroner, shall, upon such conviction, be adjudged guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be punished by imprisonment in the county prison not exceeding one year, or by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JOHN T. TOAL,

Clerk of the Board of Coroners.

By Commissioner Laimbeer:

Resolved, That Edward L. Taylor be and is hereby appointed to open a new set of books for this Department at Central Office, to commence from January 1, 1874, at a compensation of twenty-five hundred dollars a year.

Mr. Bowen moved to amend by inserting the name of Mr. Lawrence.

Ayes—Commissioner Bowen.

Nays—Commissioners Laimbeer and Stern. Resolution appointing Mr. Taylor adopted, and Mr. Lawrence requested to give any information required.

Feb. 14, 1874.

By Commissioner Stern:

Resolved, That John Mannix be and is hereby appointed manager for the temporary relief of the poor at the 86th street and Fourth Avenue Station House, at a compensation of two dollars per day during the pleasure of this Board.

Feb. 14, 1874. By the Board. Adopted.

Resolved, That a place for temporary relief, for the shelter and food for out-door poor, be and is hereby directed to be opened in the basement of the market at 125th street, free of rent to this Department, and to be continued during the pleasure of this Board.

Feb. 14, 1874. By the Board. Adopted.

Ayes—Commissioners Laimbeer and Stern. Nay—Commissioner Bowen.

WM. LAIMBEER,

J. BOWEN,

MYER STERN,

Commissioners.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF NEW YORK,
Thursday, February 12, 1874.

The Board of Commissioners and the Comptroller, met pursuant to an advertisement in the "CITY RECORD," to receive proposals for building four chemical engines.

Present—President Joseph L. Perley, in the chair, Commissioners Roswell D. Hatch and Cornelius Van Cott, and Comptroller, Andrew H. Green.

The President submitted blank form of contract with the approval as to form, of the Council to the Corporation, thereon. Filed.

The President also submitted the affidavit of the Supervisor of the CITY RECORD, testifying to the insertion of the advertisement as required by law. Filed.

One proposal was received and opened, being as follows:

From the Babcock manufacturing Company, who offer to build (4) chemical fire engines, in accordance with the requirements named in the advertisement and as per plans and specifications accompanying their proposal, for the sum of (\$11,400.00). Ordered to be transmitted to the Comptroller, for his approval as to the adequacy and sufficiency of the "securities" offered.

Adjourned.

W. B. WHITE,
Secretary.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

From the proceedings of the Board of Aldermen, February 19, 1874.

By Alderman Koch—

Whereas, It must be apparent to every intelligent inhabitant of this city, and should be immediately understood and fully appreciated by all interested in its future progress and development—particularly those who are intrusted with its government—that unless a new impetus is given to trade and industry, and enlarged and improved facilities are afforded for the transaction of both, it will inevitably deteriorate in wealth, business, enterprise and population, and will consequently lose its prestige as the chief city of this Union—as the metropolis of the Western World. Rival cities in other States are straining every effort to divert trade and commerce from this port, and in many instances have succeeded, solely by the superior inducements of cheap transportation they provide within their corporate limits, or the greater facilities they present for moving, shipping and transshipping freight, and that this city has hitherto preserved its superiority as the great mart of the country, is owing exclusively to the natural advantages vouchsafed to us in the location of this island. We possess over forty miles of water front, over thirty-five miles of which is available at the present time for commercial purposes; yet seventenths of the commerce of the port is centered or located below Canal street, on the north, and Grand street on the East river—embracing a frontage of about four miles. The island is nearly thirteen miles long, yet the great volume of trade—import and export, domestic and foreign—is confined to a district extending only about two miles on each side, and at the extreme southern part of the city, where the streets and piers are the narrowest, the overcrowding greatest, and the delay in transportation consequently the most annoying and expensive. The location of the two principal markets (Washington and Fulton) in the very centre of this overcrowded district, which attracts customers and dealers from every section of the city, and from the cities of Brooklyn, Jersey City, Hoboken and even Newark, N. J., greatly increases the volume of vehicle and other travel, and adds materially to the evil; while the location of nearly all the public buildings and offices, the courts, and the freight depots of all the railroad and steamboat lines terminating in this city within the same limits, caps the climax of folly, and produces, in the main, the overcrowding complained of by our entire community, and hastens the decadence threatened, the business of the entire city. Any merchant desiring to ship a load of goods by any

of our freight lines, is frequently, nay, almost invariably obliged to suffer a delay of hours, and sometimes a whole day is lost in the effort to reach the depot; and while suffering the inconvenience of this delay is incurring the expense of a driver, team and dray—no inconsiderable item in the cost of the articles either to the merchant or dealer, and in every such case militates in proportion to the time lost and expense incurred, against the business of this city. As if to add to the general crush or crowd in the lower portion of the city, no attempt whatever is made to regulate the domestic or foreign commerce of the port. Vessels from eastern ports, passing through Hell Gate and Long Island Sound, are permitted to circumnavigate the island, and discharge their cargoes at piers on the North River; vessels from interior ports, laden with the produce of the West, which reaches the city by way of the canals and Hudson River, are permitted to perform a like feat in navigation and discharge their cargoes at piers on the East River; while vessels from Southern ports and foreign vessels, entering this port through the narrows, are permitted or obliged to find berths wherever a spare one is to be found, and generally discharge their cargoes on piers at the lower end of the city, already crowded to repletion with business, notwithstanding the fact that ample facilities for them could be provided in other and less crowded locations. In fact, the condition of the city of New York to-day, with its vast trade and commerce, its most vital interests, concentrated at the extreme southerly end of the island, can be best understood by reflecting upon what would be the condition of a human body, with all the vital organs crowded into its head; and

Whereas, Although deprived of the power to correct the above, and other evils that are known to exist, this Common Council, who directly represent the people of this city, would be recreant to their trusts, did they fail to point out these disadvantages to its interests, and to suggest or recommend a remedy for each. The business so concentrated within the lower and overcrowded portion of the city, should, so far as legislation will accomplish it, be diffused over the whole island; the public markets should be located one on either side of the city, and one in the centre, north of Thirty-fourth street; the public buildings and offices of the city and county governments, and the several courts, should be located in, or in the vicinity of Madison and Reservoir squares; the commerce of the port should be so regulated that the trade of the West and the North, by the canals, the Hudson River, and the various railroads, should be concentrated on the North River, and north of Canal street; the trade from the East, by way of Long Island Sound and the eastern railroads, should be concentrated on the East River, north of Fourteenth street; the southern trade, and the commerce of foreign countries, by the way of Sandy Hook, and the Narrows, and the Southern railroads, should be concentrated at the lower end of the island, on both sides, while articles entering largely into consumption in this city, such as brick, lumber, flour, &c., &c., should be assigned to particular locations, so as to accommodate all portions of the city, and as the necessities of business might render necessary. The location of the public markets, the public buildings, the courts and railroad depots for freight, in or near the centre of the city, and the diffusion and regulation of the commerce of the port, along its entire water front, would be advantageous beyond computation, in the facilities that would be thus afforded for the transaction of the business of the merchant, the manufacturer, the artisan, in the shipment and receipt of his goods, wares and merchandise. By this means, also, would a natural and easy solution of the problem of rapid transit be secured, as it would divide the travel between the upper and lower portions of the city into two equal or nearly parts, and reduce the time just one-half. Now the tide of travel is from the north to the south in the morning, and from the south to the north in the evening, through the entire length of the island. Probably 250,000 people pass and re-pass this way every day, and is a proceeding rendered necessary by the unnatural and unwise compression of the most diverse and varied descriptions of business into one end of the city. Locate this business at several points on both sides of the island. Concentrate the public business and buildings, including the markets, in or near the centre, and this vast moving mass of humanity will be divided in twain. The volume of travel will then be from the centre to the circumference, and vice versa. More than half the time now wasted in traversing the entire length of the island, morning and evening, will be saved; a consideration of itself more than sufficient, in a few years, to pay the whole expense attending the proposed change in the location of the business of the city, and is certainly a most simple, practical and effective solution of the vexed question of rapid transit. It would save half the time of the passenger, while it would double the receipts of the proprietors of the present modes of conveyance. This would also save the expense annually or oftener incurred in temporary makeshifts to facilitate business in the lower part of the city, such as the extension of Church street, Chambers street, the New Bowery, etc., and the proposed extension and widening of Elm street, Church street and Ann street, and other expensive projects of a like character; and

Whereas, It is clearly evident that the great and needed changes in the method of transacting the business of this city, and the location of the public buildings and markets near its geographical centre, as indicated in the foregoing and many others that might be suggested, could be effected, not only without expense, but so far as the city is concerned, at a large pecuniary gain. The price that would be realized for the land and buildings now used and occupied for city purpo-

ses, including the markets, would be far in excess of the sum required to erect new ones as proposed, while the advantages to the general business of all classes of our citizens cannot now be estimated fairly. As it is the duty of the Common Council to take the most effective and decided measures to secure for all time to this city, its pre-eminence as the financial, mercantile and manufacturing centre of the great country, and to preserve it as the import and export mart of the American continent, and as it is fair to presume that the people of this State, who are directly interested with ourselves in the prosperity of our city, which now annually pays one-half the entire taxes of the state, will second our efforts, through the state legislature to preserve to ourselves and to them, the advantages of continuing to be the first city in the Union; be it therefore

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be and he is hereby directed to prepare a draft of an act with provisions containing the charges enumerated in the foregoing preamble, together with a memorial on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the city of New York, praying for the passage of the said act by the legislature of this state at its present session, and providing for the election of three commissioners, by the people of the city, at the next general election, who shall, by said act, be fully empowered to inaugurate and prosecute to completion, the changes to be set forth and contained in said act; the said memorial and act, upon receiving the approval of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, to be transmitted by his Honor, the Mayor to the State Legislature.

Alderman Van Schaick moved that the said resolution be referred to the Committee on lands and places.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman Billings called up

G. O. 359,

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the Mayor and Comptroller be and they are hereby authorized and directed to provide a suitable location for the erection of a new Station House for the Police force of the 19th Precinct, as near the centre of said precinct, territorially as possible, and within the portion thereof included between the northerly line or side of fifty-fifth street; the southerly line or side of sixtieth street; the easterly line or side of Lexington avenue, and the westerly line or side of Second avenue; such site not to be not more than 75 nor less than 50 feet front and rear, by half the block in depth and the expense thereof, and the cost of the erection of the said station house to be taken from and charged to the appropriation for Special Contingencies.

Alderman McCafferty moved that the said resolution be amended by inserting after the word "Comptroller" the words "and President of the Police Department."

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman Billings moved that the said resolution be further amended by striking therefrom all after the words "block in depth."

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote, three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Gilson, Koch, Lysaght, McCafferty, Monheimer, Morris, Otten-dorfer, Reilly, Van Schaick—14.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Assistant Aldermen for concurrence.

Alderman Van Schaick called up

G. O. 349,

being an ordinance as follows:

AN ORDINANCE to amend section 21 of article 3, chapter 11, of the revised ordinance of 1869, entitled "Of hackney coaches and cabs."

The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York do ordain as follows:

Section 1. Section 21 of the above entitled ordinance is hereby amended by striking therefrom subdivisions 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 14 and 15. Which subdivisions proposed to be expunged read as follows:

3. For conveying a passenger to the new almshouse and returning one dollar; and for every additional passenger and returning fifty cents.

4. For conveying one passenger to Fortieth street and remaining half an hour and returning, one dollar and a half, and for every additional passenger, fifty cents.

5. For conveying one passenger to Sixty-first street, and remaining three quarters of an hour and returning, two dollars; and for every additional passenger, fifty cents.

6. For conveying one passenger to Eighty-sixth street, and remaining one hour and returning, two dollars and a half; and for every additional passenger, seventy-five cents.

7. For conveying one or more passengers to Harlem and returning, with the privilege of remaining three hours, five dollars, or to the Highbridge, five dollars, with the same privilege.

8. For conveying one or more passengers to Kingsbridge and returning, with the privilege of keeping the carriage all day, five dollars.

9. For the use of a hackney coach or carriage by the day, with one or more passengers, five dollars.

14. For attending a funeral within the Lamp and Watch District, two dollars; and to the Potter's Field, three dollars; which charges shall include for the necessary detention and returning with passengers.

15. Every driver or owner of a hackney coach, carriage, or cab, shall carry, transport, and convey, in and upon his coach, carriage, or cab, in addition to the person or persons therein, one trunk, valise, saddle-bag, carpet-bag, portmanteau, or box, if he be requested so to do, for each passenger, without charge or compensation therefor; but for every trunk or such articles as above named, more than one for each passenger, he shall be entitled to demand and receive the sum of six cents.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Assistant Aldermen for concurrence.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

Statement of the hours during which all public offices in the City are open for business, and at which each Court regularly opens and adjourns, as well as of the places where such offices are kept and such Courts are held.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Mayor's Office... No. 6, City Hall... 10 a.m.—3 p.m.
Mayor's Marshal... No. 5, City Hall... 10 a.m.—3 p.m.
Permit Bureau... No. 1, City Hall... 10 a.m.—2 p.m.
License Bureau... No. 1, City Hall... 10 a.m.—2 p.m.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Clk of the Common Council and of B'd of Supervisors... 7 & 8 City Hall... 9 A.M.—4 P.M.
Clerk of B'd of Assist. and Aldermen... 9 1/2 City Hall... 9 A.M.—4 P.M.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

Office hours from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Comptroller's Office, West end, New County Court House.

1—Bureau for the collection of the revenue accruing from rents and interest on bonds and mortgages, and revenue arising from the use or sale of property belonging to or managed by the City—
Ground floor, West end, New County Court House.

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

3—Bureau for the collection of arrear of taxes and Assessments and of water rents—
Ground floor, West end, New County Court House.

4—Auditing Bureau—
Main floor, west end, New County Court House.

5—Bureau of Licenses... Ground floor, west end, New County Court House.

6—Bureau of Markets... County Court House.

7—Bureau for the reception of all moneys paid into the Treasury, in the City and for the payment of money on warrants drawn by the Comptroller and countersigned by the Mayor—
(Office of Chamberlain and County Treasurer.)

Main floor, west end, New County Court House

8—Bureau for the Collection of Assessments—
Rotunda, Court House.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Counsel to the Corporation, 82 Nassau st., 9 a.m., 5 p.m.
Public Administrator, 115 and 117 " 10 a.m., 4 p.m.
Corporation Atty., " " 8:30 a.m., 4:30 p.m.
Attorney for the Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes, 237 Broadway, Room 5, 9 a.m., 4 p.m.
Attorney to the Department of Buildings, 20 Nassau street, Room 59, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Central Office, 300 Mulberry street, always open
Supt's Office, " " " "
Inspector's Office, " " " "
Chief Clerk's Office, " " 8 a.m., p.m.
Property Clerk, " " " "
Bureau of St' Clean'g, " " " "
Bureau of Elections, " " " "

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Commissioners' Office, 19 City Hall, 9 a.m., 4 p.m.
Chief Clerk, 20 " " "
Contract Clerk, 21 " " "
Engineer in charge of sewers, 21 City Hall, " "
Engineer in charge of Boulevards and Avenues, 18 1/2 City Hall, " "
Bureau of repairs and supplies, 18 City Hall, " "
Bureau of Lamps and Gas, 13 City Hall, " "
Bureau of Incumbrances, 13 City Hall, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Bureau of Street Improvements, 11 City Hall " "
Bureau of the Chief Engineer of the Croton aqueduct, 11 1/2 City Hall, " "
Bureau of Water Register, 10 City Hall, " "
Bureau of Water Purveyor, 4 City Hall, " "
Bureau of Streets and Roads, 13 City Hall, " "

Central Office, 66 Third av. 8 a.m., to 5 p.m.
Out Door Poor Dept., 66 Third av., always open.
Entrance on 11th Street.

Reception Hospital, 8 and 10 Clinton pl. 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Reception Hospital, City Hall Park, N. E. Corner, always open.

Reception Hospital, 99th street and 10th av. always open.
Bellvue Hospital, foot of 26th street, E. R. " "

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Commissioner's Office, 127 and 129 Mercer St., 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Chief of Department, 127 and 129 Mercer St., 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Inspectors of Combustibles, 127 and 129 Mercer St., 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Fire Marshal, 127 and 129 Mercer St., 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Commissioner's Office, 301 Mott St. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Sanitary Superintendent, 301 Mott St., always open.
Register of Records, 301 Mott St., for granting burial permits, on all days of the week except Sunday from 7 a.m. to 6 o'clock p.m., and on Sundays from 10 a.m. to 5 o'clock p.m.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

Commissioners' Office, 36 Union Square, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

Commissioners' Office, 346 and 348 Broadway corner Leonard St., 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, Commissioners' Office, Brown Stone Building, City Hall Park, 32 Chambers St., 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., on Saturday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Surveyor's Bureau, 19 Chatham St., 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Board of Assessors, " " " "

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

Superintendent's Office, 2 Fourth av., 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

BOARD OF EXCISE.

Commissioners' Office, 239 Mulberry street, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Office of the Board, cor Gra. d and Elm

Supt. of Schools, " " A.M. 5 P.M.

COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS.

Office—32 Chambers street (basement.)

COMMISSIONERS OF EMIGRATION.

Commissioners' Office, Castle Garden, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Superintendent's Office, Castle Garden, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

THE CITY RECORD Office, No. 2 City Hall, N. W. corner basement, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS OFFICES.

Coroner's Office, 40 E. Houston st.

Sheriff's " " first floor, S. W. cor. " " 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

New Court House.

County Clerk's Office, first floor, N. E. cor. New Court House.

Surrogate's Office, first floor, S. E. cor. New Court House.

Register's Office, Hall of Records, City Hall Park.
District Attorney's Office, second floor, Old Court House, 82 Chambers street, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Commissioner of Jurors, Commissioner's Office, basement, brown stone building, City Hall Park 32 Chambers street, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

COURTS.

Supreme Court, General Term, Special Term, Chambers, Circuit, part 1, Circuit, part 2.
Second Floor, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
New Court House.
10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

SUPERIOR COURTS.

Superior Court, Part I, 3d floor, New Court House, 11 a.m. to 12 a.m.
Part II, " " " " 11 a.m. to 12 a.m.
Clerk's Office, 3d floor, New Court House, 9 a.m., 4 p.m.

COMMON PLEAS.

Common Pleas, 3d fl., New Court House 9 a.m., 4 p.m.

GENERAL SESSIONS.

General Sessions, 32 Chambers street, 10 a.m., 4 p.m.
Clerk's Office, 32 Chambers st., Room 14, " " 10 a.m., 4 p.m.

OVER AND TERMINER.

Oyer and Terminer, General Term, Room 11, " " 10 a.m.
Special Term, " " " "

SPECIAL SESSIONS.

Special Sessions, Tombs, corner Franklin and Centre streets, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, 10 a.m.

JUSTICE'S (OR DISTRICT) COURTS.

First District, 1st, 2d, 3d, and 5th Wards, S. W. corner of Centre and Chambers streets, 10 a.m., 4 p.m.

Second District, 4th, 6th, and 14th Wards, 514 Pearl street, 9 a.m., 4 p.m.

Third District, 8th, 9th, and 15th Wards, 12 Greenwich avenue, 9 a.m., 4 p.m.

Fourth District, 10th, and 17th Wards, 163 East Houston street, 9 a.m., 4 p.m.

Fifth District, 7th, 11th, and 13th Wards, 154 Clinton street, 9 a.m., 4 p.m.

Sixth District, Seventh District, 19th and 22d Wards, 57th street, between Third and Lexington avenues, 9 a.m., 4 p.m.

Eighth District, 16th and 20th Wards, S. W. cor. 22d st. and 7th ave. 9:30 a.m. 4 p.m.

Ninth District, 12th Ward, 2374 Fourth avenue, 9 a.m., 4 p.m.

MARINE COURT (Brown stone building.)

General Term, 32 Chamber Room 17, 10 a.m., 3 p.m.

Special " " " " Room 15, " "

Chambers, " " " " Room 18, " "

Clerk's Office, " " " " Room 19, 9 a.m. 4 p.m.

POLICE COURTS.

First District, 14th, 24th, 25th, 26th, Tombs, cor. Frank- in and Centre streets, 7 a.m., 3 p.m.

Second District, 8th, 10th, 15th, 16th, 20th, 25th, 33d, 28th, and 29th Precincts, Greenwich ave., corner of 10th street, 9 a.m., 6 p.m.

Third District, 7th, 10th, 11th, 13th, 17th, 18th, and portion of Sanitary Precinct, 69 Essex street, 8 a.m., 4 p.m.

Fourth District, 19th, 21st, 22d, 23d, and 19th sub station, 57th street, between 3d and Lexington ave, 8 a.m., 5 p.m.

Fifth District, 12th Ward, 2374 Fourth avenue (Harlem), 8 a.m., 4 p.m.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

CENTRAL DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL POLICE, PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE, 300 MULBERRY STREET, NEW YORK, February 16, 1874.

AUCTION SALE OF UNCLAIMED PROPERTY.

THE FIFTEENTH AUCTION SALE OF UNCLAIMED property will take place on Monday, March 2, 1874, at 10 o'clock A. M., at 300 Mulberry street, consisting of miscellaneous articles—Boat, rope, lead, wagons, wine, male and female clothing, boots, shoes, trunks, watches, "gold and silver" revolvers, pistols, &c., &c.
C. A. ST. JOHN,
Property Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE.

300 Mulberry street, February 9, 1874.

STREET CLEANING NOTICE.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AT this Department for receiving at the several Dumping Boards of the Department, all the Sweepings and Street Dirt resulting from Street sweeping in the city of New York, and removing the same daily from and beyond the limits of the city, for a period of one year from the first day of March next. The proposal to be enclosed in an envelope sealed, marked "Proposal for removing Street Sweepings," directed to the Board of Police and delivered at this Department on or before the 25th day of February inst., at 12 o'clock at noon.

Specifications may be examined at the office of the Chief clerk, room 14, Department of Police, 300 Mulberry street.

By order of the Board,

S. C. HAWLEY,
Chief Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE.

300 Mulberry street, February 9, 1874.

STREET CLEANING NOTICE.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AT this Department for receiving at the Dumping Boards of this Department, situate two on the East river and two on the North river, all the Garbage collected from the city and removing the same daily from and beyond the limits of the city, for a period of one, two or three years. The proposal to be enclosed in sealed envelope marked, "Proposals for removing Garbage," directed to the Board of Police, and delivered at this Department on or before the 25th day of February inst., at 12 o'clock at noon.

Specifications may be examined at the office of the Chief Clerk, room 14, Department of Police, 300 Mulberry street.

By order of the Board,

S. C. HAWLEY,
Chief Clerk.

PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE.

CENTRAL DEPARTMENT OF THE METROPOLITAN POLICE, 300 Mulberry street, NEW YORK, Jan. 26, 1874.

OWNERS WANTED, BY THE PROPERTY Clerk, 300 Mulberry street, room 39, for the following property now in his custody without claimants: One boat and log pig iron, lot of leaf tobacco, lot of tea, revolvers, drum boots, clothing, and several small lots of money.

C. A. ST. JOHN,
Property Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICES.

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

1. For regulating, grading, curb, gutter and flagging 135th street, from 8th avenue to Harlem River.

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

Both sides of 135th street, from 8th avenue to Harlem River, to the extent of half the block at intersection of Madison and 4th avenue.

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

THOMAS B. ASTEN,
JOHN MCHARG,
MUNSON H. TREADWELL,
VALENTINE S. WOODRUFF,
Board of Assessors.

OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS,
NEW YORK, Jan. 31, 1874.

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

No. 1. For flagging 51st street from 1st to 3d avenue.

No. 2. For flagging north side of Monroe street, from No. 311 to Corlears street.

No. 3. For flagging west side of Corlears street, from No. 1 to Monroe st.

No. 4. For flagging Front street, north side, from Montgomery to Gouverneur street.

No. 5. For flagging 57th street, from 9th to 10th avenue.

No. 6. For flagging 54th street, north side, between 2d avenue and about 125 feet east.

No. 7. For flagging 52d street, north side, from 5th avenue about 175 feet west.

No. 8. For flagging 54th street, south side, between 6th and 7th avenues.

No. 9. For flagging E. 14th street, north side, between Nos. 331 and 347.

No. 10. For flagging 57th street, north side, between 9th avenue and about 250 feet east.

No. 11. For setting curb and gutter and flagging street, between 9th and 10th avenues.

No. 12. For building basin on northwest corner of 65th street and Lexington avenue.

No. 13. For building basin on southwest corner of Tompkins and Livingston streets.

No. 14. For building basin on southwest corner of Tompkins and Stanton streets.

No. 15. For building basin on northeast corner of Peck slip and Water street.

No. 16. For building sewer in 51st street, between 6th and 7th avenues.

No. 17. For building underground drains between 66th and 67th streets, and between 5th and Madison avenues.

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

No. 1. Both sides of 51st street, from 1st to 3d avenues, where flagging was not already done.

No. 2. The property known as ward numbers 1028 B, 1028 C, 1028 D, 1028 E, 1028 F.

No. 3. The property known as ward number 1028 F.

No. 4. The north side of Front street, between Montgomery and Gouverneur slip.

No. 5. Both sides of 57th street, between 9th and 10th avenues.

No. 6. The property known as ward numbers 4 1/2, 5 and 6.

No. 7. The property

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
ROTUNDA COURT HOUSE,
NEW YORK, February 16th, 1874.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY HOLDERS

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

Confirmed Jan. 30, 1874—Paving 24th st., bet. 10th and 11th aves.
" " Paving 31st st., bet. 2d ave. and East River.
" " Paving 31st st., bet. 4th and 5th aves.
" " Paving 32d st., bet. 2d ave. and East River.
" " Paving 47th st., bet. 3d and 4th aves.
" " Paving 52d st., bet. 2d ave. and East River.
" " Paving 40th st., bet. Madison and 3d aves.
" " Paving 60th st., bet. 1st and 2d aves.
" " Paving 70th st., bet. 4th and 5th aves.
" " Paving 83d st., bet. 3d and 5th aves.
" " Paving 87th st., bet. 2d and 4th aves.
" " Underground drains bet. 56th and 57th sts., 4th and Lexington aves.
" " Underground drains bet. 57th and 58th sts., 5th and Madison aves.
" " Sewer in Ave. A, bet. 59th and 61st sts., with branches in 59th st.
" " Sewer in 104th st., bet. 2d and 3d aves.
" " Sewer in Greenwich st., bet. Leroy and Morton sts.
" " Sewer in Dry Dock st., bet. 10th and 12th sts.
" " Sewer in Horatio st., continuation through Greenwich ave., etc.
" " Sewer in Hudson st., E. S., bet. Vandam and Charlton sts.
" " Sewer in Lexington ave., bet. 69th and 70th sts.
" " Sewer in Broadway, bet. 27th and 28th sts.
" " Basin N. E. cor. Pearl st. and Peck slip.
" " Basin N. E. cor. 69th st. and Lexington ave.
" " Regulating and grading 117th st., from 7th to 8th aves.
" " Regulating and grading 121st st., from 7th to 8th aves.
" " Regulating and grading, curb and gutter in 40th st., from 1st to 2d aves.
" " Curb, gutter and flagging Lexington ave., from 61st to 66th sts.
" " Curb, gutter and flagging S. E. cor. 7th ave. and West 12th st.
" " Flagging N. S. 37th st., from 7th to 8th aves.
" " Flagging N. S. 33d st., from 5th to 6th aves.
" " Regulating, grading, curb, gutter and flagging in 51st st., from 6th to 7th aves.

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

The Collector's office is open daily from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
ANDREW W. LEGGAT,
Acting Collector.

INDICES OF RECORDS.

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

A LIMITED NUMBER OF COMPLETE SETS OF THE INDICES OF RECORDS are offered for sale, full bound in sheep, as follows:

Grants,.....23 volumes.
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Communications in relation to the Records should be addressed "Superintendent of Records, Comptroller's Office."

ANDREW H. GREEN
Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU OF ARREARS,
OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF ARREARS, Dec. 1, 1873.

NOTICE OF SALE OF LANDS AND TENEMENTS for unpaid taxes of 1869 and 1870, and Croton water rents of 1868 and 1869, under the direction of Andrew H. Green, Comptroller of the City of New York. The undersigned hereby gives public notice, pursuant to the provisions of the act entitled "An act for the collection of taxes, assessments and Croton water rents in the City of New York, and to amend the several acts in relation thereto," passed April 8, 1871:

That the respective owners of all lands and tenements in the City of New York on which taxes have been laid and confirmed, situated in the Wards Nos. 1 to 22, inclusive, for the years 1869 and 1870, and now remaining due and unpaid; and also the respective owners of all lands and tenements in the City of New York, situated in the wards aforesaid, on which the regular Croton water rents have been laid for the years 1868 and 1869, and are now remaining due and unpaid, are required to pay the said taxes and Croton water rent so remaining due and unpaid to the Clerk of Arrears, at his office, in the Department of Finance, in the New Court House, with the interest thereon, at the rate of twelve per cent, per annum, to the time of payment with the charges of this notice and advertisement, and if default shall be made in such payment such lands and tenements will be sold at public auction at the New Court House, in the City Hall Park, in the City of New York, on MONDAY, the 9th day of March, 1874, at 12 o'clock noon, for the lowest term of years at which any person shall offer to take the same in consideration of advancing the amount of tax or Croton water rent, as the case may be, so due and unpaid, and the interest thereon as aforesaid to the time of sale, and together with the charges of this notice and advertisement, and all other costs and charges accrued thereon, and that such sale will be continued from time to time until all the lands and tenements here advertised for sale shall be sold.

And notice is hereby further given that a detailed statement of the taxes and the Croton water rents, the ownership of the property taxed, and on which Croton rents are unpaid, is published in a pamphlet, and that copies of the pamphlet are deposited in the office of the Bureau of the Clerk of Arrears, and will be delivered to any person applying for the same.

J. S. CADY,
Clerk of Arrears.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS,
346 and 348 Broadway,
New York, February 17, 1874.

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING GRANITE TO BUILD A BULK HEAD OR RIVER WALL.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR THIS WORK WILL be received at the Office of the Department of Docks until 11 o'clock, A. M., of Wednesday, March 4th, 1874, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read.

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

The time allowed for the fulfillment of the contract is to the first day of September 1874.

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.

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

Bidders will state the price in their proposals for each separate item of the work to be done, by which the bids will be tested.

A sample of the stone must be submitted at the office of the Department forty-eight hours previous to the opening of the bids.

No bids will be received except from the owners or lessees of the quarries from which the stones are proposed to be furnished.

The certificate of the Recorder or Judge of the county in which the quarry is situated, that the bidder is owner or lessee of the quarry, must accompany each bid.

The bidders will state how soon they can commence the delivery of the stone, and the amount per month they can deliver.

The engineers' estimate of the material to be furnished is as follows:

"A" 250 pieces of Copping furnished in the rough each 95 cubic feet, 23,750 cubic feet.

"B" 1720 pieces of Header and Stretcher stones 860 of each from 12 to 25 cubic feet, 31,820 cubic feet.

The stones will be of sufficient sizes to furnish the following neat dimensions:

Copping 8'x4'x2', 6" two faces cut.

Stretchers 6'x2'x1', 10" one face cut.

Headers 2'x3'x1', 10" one face cut.

For further particulars see Drawings in the office of the Engineer-in-Chief.

The Department of Docks reserves the right to decline any and all proposals, if deemed to be for the public interest; and no proposal 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 security or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

Blank forms of proposals, and plans of the proposed works can be obtained by application at the office of the Department.

Proposals must be endorsed as above, and addressed to "Commissioner Budd, Treasurer of Department of Docks."

JACOB A. WESTERVELT,
WILLIAM GARDNER,
WILLIAM BUDD,
Commissioners of the Department of Docks.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS,
346 and 348 Broadway,
New York, February 14, 1874.

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING GRANITE TO BUILD SIXTEEN (16) ARCHES (MORE OR LESS) OF NEW PIER 1, NORTH RIVER.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR THIS WORK WILL be received at the Office of the Department of Docks until 11 o'clock A. M. of Friday, February 27, 1874, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read.

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

The time allowed for the fulfillment of the contract is to the first day of August, 1874.

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.

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

Bidders will state the price in their proposals for each separate item of the work to be done, by which the bids will be tested.

A sample of the stone and cutting required must be submitted at the office of the Department forty-eight hours previous to the opening of the bids.

No bids will be received except from the owners or lessees of the quarries from which the stones are proposed to be furnished.

The certificate of the Recorder or Judge of the county in which the quarry is situated, that the bidder is owner or lessee of the quarry, must accompany each bid.

The bidders will state how soon they can commence the delivery of the stone, and the amount per month they can deliver.

The engineer's estimate of the material to be furnished is as follows:

"A" 640 voussoirs, or arch stones, averaging from 6 to 16 cubic feet each.....6,300 cubic feet.

"B" 447 spandrels and end stones, averaging from 10 to 35 cubic feet each.....5,000 cubic feet.

"C" 11 coping stones on pier-head, averaging 55 cubic feet.....607 cubic feet.

"D" 57 corner, end, and key-stones, averaging from 40 to 100 cubic feet.....

"E" 32 springs, not exceeding 95.50 cubic feet.....6,016 cubic feet.

"F" 2 end stones, marked on plan "I. E.", not exceeding 180 cubic feet.....

For further particulars see Drawings in the Office of the Engineer-in-Chief.

The Department of Docks reserves the right to decline any and all proposals, if deemed to be for the public interest; and no proposal 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 security or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

Blank forms of proposals and plans of the proposed works can be obtained by application at the office of the Department.

Proposals must be endorsed as above, and addressed to "Commissioner Budd, Treasurer of Department of Docks."

JACOB A. WESTERVELT,
WILLIAM GARDNER,
WILLIAM BUDD,
Commissioners of the Department of Docks.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS,
346 and 348 Broadway.

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR BUILDING TWO (2) STEAM DREDGES.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR BUILDING TWO (2) Steam Dredges will be received at the office of the Department of Docks until 12 o'clock noon, of Thursday, February 26, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read.

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

The time allowed for doing the work is ninety days from the date of signing the contract.

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect.

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

The Department of Docks reserves the right to decline any and all proposals, if deemed to be for the public interest; and no proposal 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 security or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

Blank forms of proposals and further information can be obtained by application at the office of the Department.

Proposals must be endorsed as above, and addressed to "Commissioner Budd, Treasurer of Department of Docks."

JACOB A. WESTERVELT,
WILLIAM GARDNER,
WILLIAM BUDD,
Commissioners of the Department of Docks.

STREET OPENINGS.

SUPREME COURT.—IN THE MATTER OF THE application of the Department of Public Parks for and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of Ninety-second street, from Eighth avenue to the new Road or Public Drive, and from Twelfth avenue to the Hudson River, in the City of New York.

Notice is hereby given that the bill of costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above entitled matter, will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, at the Chambers thereof, in the New Court House at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the fourth day of March 1874, at 10½ o'clock A. M.

Dated New York, February 19, 1874.
JOHN MULLALLY,
THOMAS S. BRENNAN,
JOHN L. WHITTON,
Commissioners.

SUPREME COURT.—IN THE MATTER OF THE application of the Department of Public Parks for and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of Ninety-third street, from Eighth avenue to the new Road or Public Drive, and from Twelfth avenue to the Hudson River, in the City of New York.

Notice is hereby given that the bill of costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above entitled matter will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court at the Chambers thereof, in the New Court House at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the fourth day of March 1874, at 10½ o'clock A. M.

Dated New York, February 19, 1874.
JAMES BAGLEY,
JAMES MOORE,
EDMOND CONNELLY,
Commissioners.

SUPREME COURT.—IN THE MATTER OF THE application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of Seventieth street, from Fifth avenue to Fourth avenue, and from Third avenue to the East river, in the City of New York.

Notice is hereby given that the bill of the costs, charges and expenses incurred, by reason of the proceedings in the above entitled matter, will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court at the Chambers thereof, in the New Court House at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the twenty-seventh day of February, 1874, at 10½ o'clock A. M.

Dated New York, February 14, 1874.
CYRUS H. LOUREL,
GRATZ NATHAN,
HENRY McDONNELL,
Commissioners.

SUPREME COURT.—IN THE MATTER OF THE application of the Department of Public Parks and the Department of Public Works, for and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title for the use of the public to all the lands required for the opening of Tenth avenue, from a point 10,353 feet 6 inches northerly from the southerly side of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street in a north-westerly, westerly and south-westerly direction to the Eleventh avenue, as laid out by resolution of the Commissioners of the Central Park, 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 John N. Lewis, Esq., our Chairman, at the Office of the Commissioners, No. 82 Nassau street (Room No. 24), in the said city, on or before the 26th day of February, 1874, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said 26th day of February, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days, at 12 o'clock 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 10th day of March, 1874.

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, and which taken together are bounded and contained as follows, viz.:—Beginning at a point on the easterly line or side of Tenth avenue, distant nine thousand nine hundred and forty-five feet eleven inches, northerly from the southerly line or side of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, as the same is laid out; and running thence easterly at right angles with Tenth avenue one hundred and fifteen feet and six inches, to the centre line of the block between Tenth avenue and the Boulevard, as the same is laid out; thence in a northerly direction along said centre line to a point two hundred and forty-four feet and two inches easterly from the easterly line of Tenth avenue as laid out, and to be opened and extended by this proceeding; thence in a

northerly direction to a point distant five hundred and fifty-two feet and eight inches, in a north-easterly direction from the easterly line of said Tenth avenue; thence in a south-westerly direction to the easterly line of the Central Park, as laid out by the Commissioners of the Central Park; thence southerly along the easterly line of the said Eleventh avenue to a point distant nine thousand six hundred and forty feet and one-half inch, northerly from the southerly line of said One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street; thence easterly and parallel to said One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, three hundred and fifty-nine feet and nine inches; thence northerly three hundred and five feet and eleven and one-half inches; and thence easterly and parallel to said One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, five hundred and thirty feet to the point or place of beginning.

FOURTH.—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a special term thereof, to be held in the New Court House at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 23d day of March, 1874, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, January 21st, 1874.
JOHN N. LEWIS,
NEVIN W. BUTLER,
WILLIAM R. MARTIN,
Commissioners.

SUPREME COURT.—IN THE MATTER OF THE application of the Department of Public Parks and the Department of Public Works, for and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title for the use of the public to all the lands required for laying out a new street running parallel to One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, in an easterly direction from the Kingsbridge Road, across the Tenth avenue to the Boulevard, near the Harlem River, as laid out by resolution of the Commissioners of the Central Park, 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 Nevin W. Butler, Esq., our Chairman, at the Office of the Commissioners, No. 82 Nassau street (Room No. 24), in the said city, on or before the 26th day of February, 1874, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said 26th day of February, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days, at 12 o'clock P. M.

SECOND.—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with all 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 10th day of March, 1874.

THIRD.—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid, are as follows, that is to say: All those lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the City of New York, and which taken together are bounded and contained as follows, to wit:—Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the easterly line or side of the Kingsbridge Road with a line drawn parallel to and distant seven thousand six hundred and eighty-five feet northerly from the southerly line or side of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, as the same is laid out, and running thence easterly and parallel to said One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street to the westerly line or side of the Boulevard, near the Harlem River, as laid out by the Commissioners of the Central Park; thence northerly, along the westerly line or side of said Boulevard to a point on a line drawn parallel to and distant eight thousand two hundred and twenty feet from the southerly line or side of said One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street; thence westerly and parallel with said One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street to the easterly line or side of the Kingsbridge Road, and thence southerly along the easterly line or side of the Kingsbridge Road to the point or place of beginning.

FOURTH.—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a special term thereof, to be held in the New Court House at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 23d day of March, 1874, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, January 21st, 1874.
NEVIN W. BUTLER,
WILLIAM BARNES,
WILLIAM R. MARTIN,
Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT PUBLIC WORKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE, CITY HALL,
February 9, 1874.

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS WILL receive sealed proposals until the 21st day of February, at one o'clock, for furnishing one hundred and fifty tons of pig lead, at the pipe yard foot of Twenty-fourth street, East river. To be delivered at the rate of ten tons in each week, and as much faster as the Department may require. The lead must be soft American lead, free from arsenic, zinc, iron bismuth, nickel, sulphur and copper, and be in all respects equal to Schoenberger and Brothers' best quality of soft refined lead. The lead must be in pigs weighing not less than seventy-five pounds, nor more than one hundred and fifty pounds each. The bidders must name a definite price at which they will deliver the lead at the pipe yard, free of cartages and all expenses of every kind. Security in ten per cent. of the amount of the contract will be required for the faithful performance of the same.

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

GEO. M. VAN NORT,
Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOOKS of Annual Record of the assessments upon the Real and Personal Estate of the City and County of New York, for the year 1874, will be open for inspection and revision, on and after Monday, January 13th, 1874, and will remain open until the 30th day of April, 1874, inclusive, for the correction of errors and the equalization of the assessments of the aforesaid real and personal estate.

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

By order of the Board,
ALBERT STORER,
Secretary.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

OFFICE CLERK OF THE COMMON COUNCIL,
NO. 8 CITY HALL.

THE STATED SESSIONS OF THE BOARD OF Aldermen will be held on Thursday of each week, at 3½ o'clock, P. M., in the chamber of the Board, room No. 15, City Hall.

JOSEPH C. PINCKNEY,
Clerk.