

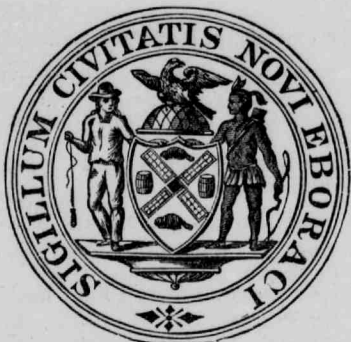
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LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

STATED SESSION.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

WEDNESDAY, December 31, 1884, }
1 o'clock P. M.

The Board met in their chamber, No. 16 City Hall.

PRESENT:

Hon. William P. Kirk, President.

ALDERMEN

Thomas Cleary,
Robert E. De Lacy,
Charles Dempsey,
Michael Duffy,
Patrick Farley,
Frederick Finck,
Ludolph A. Fullgraff,
Hugh J. Grant,

Henry W. Jaehne,
Patrick Kenney,
William H. Miller,
Francis McCabe,
Michael F. McLoughlin,
Arthur J. McQuade,
John C. O'Connor, Jr.,
John O'Neil,

James Pearson,
Charles H. Reilly,
Thomas Rothman,
Henry L. Sayles,
Thomas Sheils,
Charles B. Waite,
Louis Wendel.

The minutes of the meeting of December 30, 1884, were read and approved.

DENIAL OF A MOTION FOR AN INJUNCTION.

The President here laid before the Board the following certified copy of an order denying motion for injunction, in suit of David Marks against the New York Cable Company, impleaded with William P. Kirk and others:

SUPREME COURT.

At a Special Term of the Supreme Court, held in and for the City and County of New York at the County Court-house, in said city, on December 31, 1884.

Present—Hon. ABRAHAM R. LAWRENCE, Justice.

David Marks
agst.

The New York Cable Railway Company, Wm. P. Kirk and others, }
forming the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York.

Whereas, An order to show cause was issued in this case on the 23d December, 1884, by the Hon. C. Donohue, one of the Justices of this Court, requiring the defendant to show cause why an injunction order should not be entered restraining the defendants, the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York, from giving their consent to the building of a railroad in Lexington avenue by the defendant, the New York Cable Railway Company, which said order was made returnable on the 29th of December instant, and which said order contained an order restraining the defendants until the hearing and decision of said motion; and

Whereas, Afterwards the said Hon. C. Donohue made another order, directing the hearing of said motion on the 26th day of December, 1884, and said motion coming on to be heard on the complaint herein duly verified, and the affidavit of David Marks, verified on 23d December, instant, and on the affidavits of Charles P. Shaw, William S. Byers and S. W. Hopkins, Jr., verified on 23d December, the answer of the defendant, the Cable Railway Company, verified on the 24th December, the complaint, injunction order and order dissolving the injunction in the case in the N. Y. Court of Common Pleas in which Lemuel N. Baldwin was plaintiff and the defendants herein were defendants, and the opinion of Judge Van Hoesen dissolving the same, and after hearing Mr. Godwin and Mr. A. J. Vanderpoel for the plaintiff and Mr. Dean for the Aldermen and Mr. Sewell for the New York Cable Railway Company, and due deliberation being had thereon,

It is ordered, that the motion for an injunction herein be dissolved, with ten dollars cost to the defendants.

It is further ordered that the restraining clauses of the order to show cause herein, before set forth, be and the same are hereby vacated and set aside.

(A copy.)

J. P. S.

Which was ordered on file.

PATRICK KEENAN, Clerk.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Alderman Waite asked unanimous consent to call up G. O. 565.

Objections being made by Alderman Grant,

Alderman Waite moved that the rules be suspended, in order to permit him to call up General Order No. 565.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman Waite then called up G. O. 565, being a resolution, as follows:

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 prescribed 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 day 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 gross earnings for and during the preceding calendar year, as a compensation for the franchises acquired 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 therefor, or which may be imposed thereon pursuant to law.

Alderman Grant moved that the report of the Committee and the accompanying papers be laid on the table.

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, Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Jaehne, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McLoughlin, McQuade, O'Connor, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, Waite, and Wendel—24.

(Alderman Grant was here called to the chair.)

MESSAGES FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, December 31, 1884.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

As I shall have some important communications to make to your Honorable Body before five o'clock this afternoon, I respectfully request that you be in session at or about that hour.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Which was received and placed on file.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Alderman Sheils moved that this Board do now take a recess until 5 o'clock this P. M.

Alderman O'Neil moved that when this Board adjourns, it do adjourn to meet again on Friday, the 2d day of January, 1885, at 1 o'clock P. M.

But he subsequently withdrew the motion.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the President pro tem. announced that the Board had taken a recess until 5 o'clock P. M.

AFTER RECESS.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

WEDNESDAY, December 31, 1884, }
5 o'clock P. M.

The President being absent, the Clerk called the Board to order and the roll having been called the following members answered to their names:

ALDERMEN

Thomas Cleary,
Robert E. De Lacy,
Charles Dempsey,
Michael Duffy,
Patrick Farley,
Frederick Finck,
Ludolph A. Fullgraff,
Hugh J. Grant,

Henry W. Jaehne,
Patrick Kenney,
William H. Miller,
Francis McCabe,
Michael F. McLoughlin,
Arthur J. McQuade,
John C. O'Connor, Jr.,
John O'Neil,

James Pearson,
Charles H. Reilly,
Thomas Rothman,
Henry L. Sayles,
Thomas Sheils,
Charles B. Waite,
Louis Wendel.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Alderman Duffy moved that Alderman Grant be appointed President pro tem.

As an amendment, Alderman Jaehne moved that Alderman Waite be appointed President pro tem.

The Clerk put the question whether the Board would agree with said amendment of Alderman Jaehne.

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division called by Alderman Jaehne, as follows:

Affirmative—Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Farley, Finck, Jaehne, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McQuade, O'Connor, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, and Wendel—16.
Negative—Aldermen Dempsey, Duffy, Fullgraff, McLoughlin, and Sheils—5.

By Alderman Pearson—

Resolved, That J. George Flammer be and hereby is reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, whose term of office will expire January 1, 1885.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Affirmative—Aldermen Cleary, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Jaehne, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McLoughlin, McQuade, O'Connor, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Waite, and Wendel—21.

By Alderman Jaehne—

Resolved, That the name of Francesco Zanolini, recently appointed a Commissioner of Deeds, be corrected so as to read Francesco Zanolini.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Sayles—

Resolved, That Alexander S. Rosenthal be and hereby is appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Charles H. Pentz, whose term of office has expired.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Affirmative—Aldermen Cleary, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Jaehne, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McLoughlin, McQuade, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, Waite, and Wendel—19.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS AND CORPORATION OFFICERS.

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

LAW DEPARTMENT,
BUREAU OF THE PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR,
NEW YORK, January 1, 1885.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

Pursuant to chapter 4, article III., section 24 of the Ordinances of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, of January 1, 1881, the undersigned hereby reports a transcript of such of his accounts as have been closed or finally settled, and of those on which any money has been received by him as part of the proceeds of any estate on which he has administered since the date of his last report.

Respectfully,

ALGERNON S. SULLIVAN, Public Administrator.

A transcript of such of his accounts as have been closed or finally settled since the date of his last report.

NAME OF DECEASED.	Date of Final Decree.	Total Amount Received.	Total Amount paid for Funeral Expenses, Expenses of Administration, and Claims of Creditors.	Commissions paid into the City Treasury.	Amount paid to Legatees or next of Kin.	Amount paid into City Treasury for unknown next of Kin.	Paid to the Surrogate's Court for Infant next of Kin.
Heinrich Thorman.....	Nov. 22	\$177 25	\$156 02	\$23 86	\$297 37	.....	.....
Marriette Meynial.....	Nov. 25	2,641 75	2,513 21	128 54	.....	.....	.....
Thomas Lawler.....	Nov. 25	333 00	143 13	16 69	.....	\$174 08	.....
Jacob Schmidt.....	Nov. 25	70 80	59 27	3 54	.....	8 08	.....
Frederick Stokes.....	Nov. 25	79 35	66 33	3 97	.....	9 05	.....
Pitter Malenberg.....	Nov. 25	94 15	89 44	4 71	.....	.....	.....
Carl Rebmann.....	Nov. 25	110 06	93 98	5 50	.....	10 58	.....
Catharine Foley.....	Nov. 25	102 64	79 97	5 13	17 54	.....	.....
Annie Waters.....	Nov. 25	130 41	86 86	6 52	37 03	.....	.....
C. C. Ericson.....	Nov. 25	20 58	.....	1 03	19 55	.....	.....
George Fleming.....	Nov. 25	155 16	147 40	7 76	.....	.....	.....
Godlieb Luks.....	Nov. 25	402 51	382 39	20 12	.....	.....	.....
Johann Kisskalt, etc.....	Nov. 28	145 83	42 11	7 29	96 43	.....	.....
Mary O'Neill.....	Dec. 12	565 58	151 03	28 27	386 28	.....	.....
Robert H. Pearson.....	Dec. 17	1,403 30	26 45	70 17	.....	.....	.....
Elizabeth McKenna.....	Dec. 24	3,497 95	762 99	150 00	1,734 96	.....	.....

A statement of the title of any estate on which any money has been received since the date of the last report.

NAME OF DECEASED.	TOTAL AMOUNT RECEIVED.	NAME OF DECEASED.	TOTAL AMOUNT RECEIVED.
Ann McCauley, or McCully.....	\$838 24	Mary O'Neill.....	\$8 90
Anton Rost.....	20 25	Annie Casey.....	20 00
Ann C. Sebastian.....	12 50	Carl Huttgren.....	5 80
Elizabeth Rokenbrod.....	42 70	Israel R. Dale.....	769 15
Marriette Meynial.....	61 87	Robert H. Pearson.....	59 55
Heinrich Thorman.....	15 04	Elizabeth McKenna.....	82 50
Eliza Sheehan.....	48 00	Anna Sieke.....	8 50
Johann Kisskalt, etc.....	3 00	Adrienne de Wurtemberg.....	14 16
Godlieb Luks.....	6 50	Alexander De Baudrey.....	3,500 00

Which was ordered on file.

ALGERNON S. SULLIVAN, Public Administrator.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Alderman Farley called up veto message of his Honor the Mayor (No. 290), being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That the fire-hydrant now located in front of No. 188 Henry street be removed and placed in front of No. 194 in said street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

The Board then, as provided in section 75, chapter 410, Laws of 1882, proceeded to reconsider the same, and, upon a vote being taken thereon, was adopted, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor, as follows:

Affirmative—Aldermen Cleary, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Jaehne, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McLoughlin, McQuade, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, Waite and Wendel—21.

Alderman Cleary called up veto message of his Honor the Mayor (No. 280), being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to sell, peddle or vend any order or permit in relation to the freighting of coal by canal-boats within the City of New York, under a penalty of one hundred dollars for each offense, unless such person shall have previously obtained from the Mayor of the City of New York a license in the form and manner now prescribed in relation to peddlers and vendors, and the fee for such license to be one hundred dollars, and shall be deposited by the Mayor to credit of the fund called "The Sinking Fund of the City of New York for the Redemption of the City Debt."

The Board then, as provided in section 75, chapter 410, Laws of 1882, proceeded to reconsider the same, and, upon a vote being taken thereon, was adopted, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor, as follows:

Affirmative—Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Jaehne, Kenney, McCabe, McLoughlin, McQuade, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, Waite, and Wendel—17.

Negative—Aldermen Finck, Miller, O'Connor, and Waite—4.

Alderman Fullgraff called up veto message of his Honor the Mayor (No. 283), being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps lighted in Suburban street, from where the present main terminates to the Williamsbridge road, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

The Board then, as provided in section 75, chapter 410, Laws of 1882, proceeded to reconsider the same, and upon a vote being taken thereon, was adopted, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor, as follows:

Affirmative—Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Jaehne, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McLoughlin, O'Neil, Pearson, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, Waite, and Wendel—19.

Negative—Alderman O'Connor—1.

MESSAGES FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

The President pro tem. laid before the Board the following message from his Honor the Mayor:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, December 31, 1884.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I am advised by the counsel assigned me by the Counsel to the Corporation that the injunction served upon myself in the case of Roosevelt and others against the Mayor and Aldermen restraining my nomination to your Honorable Body of persons to fill the vacancies now existing in the public offices of this city is void.

I therefore send you the accompanying communications.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Which was received and ordered on file.

The President pro tem. laid before the Board the following message from his Honor the Mayor:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, December, 1884.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

On the 15th instant I had the honor to send to your Honorable Body a communication, nominating Fitz John Porter for Commissioner of Public Works, to succeed Hubert O. Thompson, whose term of office has expired. No action having been taken on this nomination by your Honorable Body, I desire to recall it, and I do hereby recall the nomination of Fitz John Porter for the position before mentioned.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Alderman O'Neil moved that his Honor the Mayor be permitted to withdraw his message to the Board nominating Fitz John Porter as Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division called by Alderman O'Neil, as follows:

Affirmative—Aldermen Cleary, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Jaehne, Kenney, McCabe, McQuade, O'Connor, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, Waite, and Wendel—17.

Aldermen Grant and Miller were excused from voting.

The President pro tem. laid before the Board the following message from his Honor the Mayor:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, December 31, 1884.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

In pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, I hereby nominate and, by and with your consent, appoint Rollin M. Squire to be Commissioner of Public Works of the City of New York for the term ending May 1, 1889, in the place and stead of Hubert O. Thompson, whose term of office has expired.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Alderman Sheils moved the confirmation of the nomination of Rollin M. Squire as Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, as follows:

Affirmative—Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Jaehne, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McLoughlin, McQuade, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, Waite, and Wendel—22.

Alderman O'Connor was excused from voting.

The President pro tem. laid before the Board the following message from his Honor the Mayor:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, December 31, 1884.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

In pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, I hereby nominate and, by and with your consent appoint, Hon. William Dorsheimer to be Counsel to the Corporation of the City of New York, for the term ending May 1, 1889, in the place and stead of E. Henry Lacombe, whose term of office has expired.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Alderman Grant moved the confirmation of the nomination of Hon. William Dorsheimer as Counsel to the Corporation.

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

Which was decided in the negative, on a division, as follows:

Affirmative—Aldermen Dempsey, Duffy, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, McLoughlin, and Sheils—7.

Negative—Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Farley, Jaehne, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McQuade, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Waite, and Wendel—15.

Alderman O'Connor was excused from voting.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS RESUMED.

Alderman O'Neil moved that when the Board adjourn it do adjourn to meet again on Friday, the 2d day of January, 1885, at 1 o'clock P. M.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman O'Neil then moved that the Board do now adjourn.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the President pro tem. announced that the Board stood adjourned until Friday next, January 2, 1885, at 1 o'clock P. M.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Statement and Return of Moneys Received by ALGERNON S. SULLIVAN, Public Administrator in the City of New York, for the month of December, 1884, rendered to the Comptroller in pursuance of the provisions of Section 3, Part II., Chapter VI., Title VI., Revised Statutes; and Sections 38 and 96 of Chapter 335 of the Laws of 1873.

DATE.	ESTATE OF	INTERSTATE ESTATES.	COMMISSIONS.	TOTAL AMOUNT.
December 8..	Marriette Meymal.....	.....	128 54	
" 8..	Heinrich Thorman.....	.....	23 86	
" 8..	Thomas Lawler.....	174 08	16 69	
" 8..	Jacob Schmidt.....	8 08	3 54	
" 8..	Ferdinand Stokes.....	9 05	3 97	
" 8..	Pitter Malenberg.....	.....	4 71	
" 8..	Carl Rebmann.....	10 58	5 50	
" 8..	Catharine Foley.....	.....	5 13	
" 8..	Annie Waters.....	37 03	6 52	
" 8..	C. C. Ericson.....	.....	1 03	
" 8..	George Fleming.....	.....	7 76	
" 8..	Godlieb Luks.....	.....	20 12	
" 8..	Johann Kisskalt or J. M. Saar.....	.....	7 29	
" 15..	Mary O'Neill.....	.....	28 27	
" 18..	Robert H. Pearson.....	.....	70 17	
" 26..	Elizabeth McKenna.....	.....	150 00	
		\$238 82	\$483 10	\$721 92

Dated December 31, 1884.

(Signed)

ALGERNON S. SULLIVAN, Public Administrator, etc.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK,
MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,
MONDAY, December 29, 1884—11 o'clock A. M.

The Board met in pursuance of an adjournment.

Present—The following members, viz.:

Franklin Edson, the Mayor; Edward V. Loew, the Comptroller; Thos. B. Asten, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments.

Absent—Wm. P. Kirk, the President of the Board of Aldermen.

The minutes of the meeting held December 27, 1884, were read and approved.

On motion, the Board proceeded to the consideration of the Final Estimate for 1885.

The estimate for the Department of Public Parks was taken up for consideration.

The various items therein were discussed separately and unanimously agreed upon.

On motion, the Board took a recess until 5 o'clock P. M.

The Board reassembled at 5.20 o'clock P. M.

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

Absent—The President of the Board of Aldermen.

The estimate of the Department of Public Charities and Correction was taken up for consideration.

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

Memorandum.

DEPARTMENTAL ESTIMATES FOR 1885.

DEPARTMENT OF CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

The Commissioners of Charities and Correction estimate that the sum of \$1,794,518.50 will be required for their Department for the year 1885.

Of this amount, they require for supplies \$1,075,110.50.

The amount of supplies and the amount required for the same must necessarily be based upon two contingencies.

First—The total number of inmates to be provided for.

Second—The quantities and cost of provisions, etc., consumed by these inmates.

From the statistics of these institutions, it appears that the yearly addition to the number of inmates seldom varies, and that during the past ten years it has increased thirty per cent., or an average of three per cent. annually. The estimated increase of inmates for the year 1885 can, therefore, be approximated almost to a certainty by adding to the census of 1884 the annual natural increase. In fact, should the coming year prove an exception and the census of these institutions show double the average of former years, or six per cent., the total number of inmates would only be increased by 703, or a total of 12,428, as compared with the average from October 1, 1883, to October 1, 1884, which is 11,725. This does not include officers and employees, some of whom are fed by the Department, but their number is comparatively small and does not alter the percentage of annual increase.

The articles of food provided for in each year are of necessity about the same, and the quantities required for 1885 will be increased precisely in proportion to the increase as shown of inmates during the year.

Having thus ascertained in advance about the percentage of increase in these various institutions for the year 1885, and as there will be a corresponding increase in the quantities of provisions, etc., to be provided, there remains but one essential item to be determined, viz.: the cost of provisions.

From the official data received from the Department, and from information obtained from the largest wholesale grocers and others in this city, it will be found that the principal articles used by this Department in the various institutions, such as meat, fish, flour, milk, coffee, tea, sugar, eggs, molasses, meal, rice, etc., can be and are now actually purchased for the Department, at a cost of fifteen per cent. less than one year ago.

In the expenditure of one million dollars for supplies alone it will be at once seen that this reduction is a saving of \$150,000.

If, therefore, \$950,000 appropriated one year ago has been sufficient to feed and provide for the inmates during 1884, it will be seen (in view of the fact that the general reduction of the cost of all provisions is 15 per cent.) that a much smaller amount will be ample for the provision of all the inmates under the charge of the Commissioners in 1885.

It is conceded by produce dealers and business men generally, that the present prices will, at least, continue during the coming year, and there is a strong probability that even a further reduction will take place.

The accompanying comparative table is respectfully submitted, showing the quantities and prices actually paid by this Department in 1883, with the prices and quantities paid in 1884 (or from October 1, 1883, to October 1, 1884). This statement has been compiled from the official information of the Department, and by reference to it the amount and percentages of actual reductions can be seen in detail:

DEPARTMENT OF CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

Comparative Statement, showing the actual cost of Provisions purchased from January 1 to November 22, 1884, and the actual cost of the same quantities in 1883, together with the average price of each.

QUANTITIES USED FROM JAN. 1 TO NOV. 22, 1884.	ARTICLES.	AVERAGE PRICE IN 1883.	AVERAGE PRICE IN 1884.	COST IN 1883.	COST IN 1884.
118,584	Butter, lbs.....	\$0.18 ⁹⁶	\$0.18 ⁴⁸	\$22,483 52	\$21,914 32
69,255	Coffee, lbs.....	.11 ⁹⁹	.12 ⁸⁰	7,825 81	18,892 34
38,754	Tea, lbs.....	.14 ⁸¹	.19 ⁸⁰	5,739 46	7,464 02
710,000	Eggs, .....	.017 ⁸⁴	.018 ⁴²	12,453 40	11,658 20
24,956	Flour, bbl.....	4.84 ⁸⁰	4.21 ⁵⁰	120,986 68	105,254 42
1,350	Ice, tons.....	1.74	2.23	2,349 00	3,010 50
14,968	Molasses, gals.....	.29 ²⁴	.17 ⁰⁰	4,376 64	2,553 54
9,027	Potatoes, bbl.....	1.74	1.14	15,706 98	10,290 78
59,864	Rice, lbs.....	.05 ⁹⁵	.05	5,043 13	4,993 20
700	Meal (fine), bags.....	1.45	1.38	1,015 00	966 00
1,500	Meal (coarse), bags.....	1.25	1.21	1,875 00	1,815 00
21,120	Coal (hard), tons.....	3.85	3.98 ⁸⁸	81,312 00	84,131 52
1,402	Coal (gas), tons.....	4.60	4.27	6,449 20	5,986 54
8,000	Oats, bushels.....	.45 ⁵⁰	.39 ⁸¹	3,640 00	3,184 80
624,686	Straw, lbs.....	.00 ⁶⁴	.00 ⁵²	3,997 99	3,122 42
134,960	Codfish, lbs.....	.047 ⁸	.034 ⁷	6,410 60	4,278 23
295,238	Sugar (brown), lbs.....	.06 ⁶⁴	.05 ⁹⁴	19,603 80	14,880 00
*3,082,659	Meat, lbs.....	.087 ⁸	.06 ⁸⁸	269,732 66	205,490 04
418,956	Fresh Fish, lbs.....	.04 ⁹⁵	.031 ⁴	20,696 42	13,155 21
30,879	Milk.....	....	....	53,757 00	51,300 00
134,960	Salt Fish, lbs.....	.047 ⁸	.034 ⁷	6,410 60	4,278 23
Total.....				\$671,864 89	\$570,619 31

* Entire year.

† Increase.

Total reduction of cost in 1884, \$101,245.58, or over 15 per cent.

NOTE.—The cost of the above articles represents only three-fifths of the total amount of Supplies to this Department in 1884, viz.: \$950,000. The balance of the appropriation (or \$379,380.59), is used for the purchase of Drugs, Clothing, Bedding, Lumber, Hardware, Crockery, Leather, etc., all of which bear a corresponding reduction in prices as compared with one year ago.

Which were received and placed on file.

The President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments moved that the sum of \$900,000 be allowed for "Supplies—Department of Public Charities and Correction."

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

The Secretary presented the following opinion:

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, December 29, 1884.

CHARLES V. ADEE, Esq., Clerk of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—I am in receipt of your communication under date of December 24, 1884, inclosing the following resolution of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

"Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be requested to furnish his opinion to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment as to its power and authority in the matter of appropriations to meet the expenses of the Sheriff's office under chapter 297, Laws 1884, and whether the provisions of the act require this Board to make the necessary appropriation for the expenses of the office during the term of the present incumbent, the information to be submitted by Monday next.

The act referred to provides for the presentation to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment by the Sheriff of an estimate of the amounts which he deems necessary for defraying during the ensuing year those objects of expenditure connected with his office which are by law made a charge upon the city and county.

It is further made the duty of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment in making their Provisional and Final Estimates, to consider such estimates presented by the Sheriff and to provide for the various objects of expenditure therein specified.

This statement apparently answers the inquiry of the resolution, but I infer that the particular question as to which the Board desires information is, whether, in determining the amount to be allowed for these items in the Final Estimate, they shall provide for compensation to the Sheriff at the rates in force when the act was passed, or shall prescribe such rates of payment only (and provide therefor) as in their judgment may seem necessary and sufficient.

It was undoubtedly the intention of the Legislature to provide that hereafter the rates of charge for the various services of the Sheriff specified in the act should be determined by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, but the question is now raised, as I am informed, as to whether, under the provisions of this statute, existing rates of payment may be changed during the term of the particular Sheriff who was the incumbent of the office when the act was passed.

Without going into unnecessary detail, it is sufficient to state that the rates of present charge are fixed by two separate resolutions. The one (providing for the support of prisoners in the County Jail) was passed by the Board of Aldermen, February 6, 1883, and approved by the Mayor February 12, 1883. It was so passed under the authority of chapter 250 of the Laws of 1875, which authorizes the Boards of Supervisors in the respective counties of the State to contract with the Sheriffs thereof for the support and maintenance of such prisoners.

The other resolution was passed January 21, 1875, and approved by the Mayor January 27, 1875, and purported to fix, allow, ratify and confirm at certain specified rates the compensation for certain specified services. This resolution was passed under the authority of acts which provided that a reasonable compensation for such services might be fixed by the Board of Supervisors.

It is provided in the Constitution, article 111, section 18 (adopted May 17, 1875), that the Legislature "should not pass any local bill creating, increasing or decreasing the fees, percentages or allowances of public officers during the term for which they may be elected or appointed."

Chapter 297 of the Laws of 1884 is a local act, and I understand it is contended by the Sheriff that it cannot be construed so as to effect any change in the rate of his compensation during his term of office without violating the provision of the Constitution above referred to.

On the other hand, it is urged that the act merely transfers to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment the power to determine the reasonable compensation to be made for his services, and that the action of former Boards of Supervisors is not binding upon their successors.

So far as the rate of compensation fixed by the resolution of 1883 for the support of prisoners is concerned, I very much doubt the power of your Board, under the act of 1884, to interfere during the years named in that resolution, viz.: 1883, 1884 and 1885.

The resolution in question was adopted under the authority of an act which authorized the Board to contract with the Sheriff for the support of the prisoners, and the resolution itself would, in my opinion, be construed as such a contract and therefore free from legislative interference.

With regard to the other items of charge, the case is not so clear. The act gives to your Board the right to make this modification, and unless such a construction of the act would render it unconstitutional, they have that power.

Courts are loth to hold acts to be unconstitutional except in clear cases, and it is certainly not the function of the Counsel to the Corporation to advise that an act is thus unconstitutional, save in the clearest case.

There is, however, in my opinion, sufficient force to the arguments advanced in support of this contention to warrant me in advising you that there is some doubt as to what may be the final decision of the courts upon this question. Whether that doubt shall be resolved by the presentation of such question to the courts as the result of action by your Board reducing the rates of compensation is for the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to determine.

Whatever may be the ultimate construction put upon this statute by the courts, there is nothing in the arguments so far advanced which will, in my opinion, render it inoperative as to the successor of the incumbent who was in office when the act was passed.

I am, sir, yours respectfully,

E. HENRY LACOMBE, Counsel to the Corporation.

Which was received and placed on file.

The estimate for the Health Department was then taken up for consideration.

The items therein were discussed separately and unanimously agreed upon.

The estimate for the Police Department was taken up for consideration.

The items were discussed separately and unanimously agreed upon.

The President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments moved that the sum of \$25,000 be allowed for twenty-five additional Patrolmen.

Which was unanimously agreed to.

The estimate for the Department of Street Cleaning was taken up for consideration.

On motion, it was unanimously agreed to allow the sum of \$150,000 as a special appropriation, to be used in the event of the occurrence of an epidemic.

The estimate for the Fire Department was then taken up.

The various items therein were discussed separately and unanimously agreed upon.

The estimate for the Board of Education was taken up.

The President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments moved that the sum of \$75,000 be allowed for additional salaries of Primary Teachers.

Which was agreed to.

On motion, the sum of \$16,000 was allowed for expense of connecting the school buildings with the Fire Department by telegraph.

The estimate for the Sheriff's Office was then taken up.

The various items therein were unanimously agreed upon.

The President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments moved that the vote on the resolution adopted at a meeting held October 31, 1884, fixing the rates of fees of the Sheriff of the City and County of New York, not otherwise provided for by law, be reconsidered.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

The President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments moved to amend said resolution by substituting ten cents, instead of twenty cents, for summoning jurors according to law, per capita.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

The question was then taken on the adoption of the resolution, as amended.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

The estimates for the Charitable Institutions were taken for consideration.

The various items therein were discussed separately and unanimously agreed upon.

The various items under the head of Miscellaneous were then taken up and discussed separately and agreed upon.

The Comptroller presented the following:

Whereas, As appears by a report presented by the Comptroller, that stocks and bonds, amounting to six million two hundred and twenty-three thousand two hundred and sixty-seven dollars and forty-five cents (\$6,223,267.45), which stocks and bonds were originally payable by law from taxation and from assessments, and which now constitute a part of the Funded Debt of the City of New York, become due and payable in the next ensuing fiscal year, 1885; and

Whereas, It appears also by said report that the estimated revenues and available accumulations of the Sinking Fund for the Redemption of the City Debt are sufficient to pay and redeem the whole of said stocks and bonds without in any way impairing the preferred claims thereon; therefore

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund do hereby certify to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment that stocks and bonds of the City of New York, originally payable by law from taxes and assessments, which now constitute the Funded Debt of said city, which matures in the next ensuing fiscal year, 1885, amount to the sum of \$6,223,267.45; that the estimated revenues and available accumulations of the Sinking Fund for the Redemption of the City Debt, which may be applied to the payment of said Funded Debt, in the year 1885, without in any way impairing the "preferred claims" upon said fund, amount to the sum of \$6,000,000; that no portion of said preferred claims become due and payable in said year 1885; and that of the amount of said stocks and bonds payable in the year 1885, the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund hold the sum of \$2,728,767.45; and that the amount of securities and cash held December 1, 1884, by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund was \$34,726,388.54, a sum largely in excess of the amount of preferred claims (\$9,737,871); and that all other existing claims upon said fund are fully covered and provided for by said securities held as investments by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

At a meeting of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, held December 29, 1884, the foregoing preamble and resolution were unanimously adopted.

W. H. DIKEMAN, Secretary.

Which was received and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

The Chairman moved that when the Board adjourns, it do so to meet to-morrow, December 30, at 5 o'clock P. M.

Which was agreed to.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

THOS. B. ASTEN, Secretary.

BOARD OF ARMORY COMMISSIONERS.

ARMORY BOARD—CITY OF NEW YORK,
December 24, 1884.

A meeting of the Armory Board was held at the office of the Secretary, No. 301 Mott street, this day, all the members being present.

On motion, the reading of the minutes was dispensed with.

The Board proceeded to the opening of bids for furnishing materials and labor for the construction of an armory building at Sixty-first and Sixty-second streets and Ninth avenue, as follows:

Masonry Work.

Sinclair & Wills.....	\$127,000 00
Langstaff N. Crow.....	120,000 00
Moran & Armstrong.....	107,443 00

Iron Work.

A. R. Whitney & Co.....	27,400 00
Post & McCord.....	31,170 00
Passaic Rolling Mills Co.....	37,250 00
J. B. & J. M. Cornell.....	34,973 00
Fox & Drummond.....	53,000 00
W. H. Jackson & Co.....	35,500 00

Carpenter Work.

Thomas Overington.....	57,800 00
Mahoney Brothers.....	56,900 00
Gottlieb Grissler.....	68,000 00
J. V. & S. J. Donovan.....	74,900 00

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<i>Plumbing Work.</i>	
John Renehan.....	9,850 00
<i>Steam Heating.</i>	
Jacob Jamer.....	13,850 00
Gillis & Geoghegan.....	9,990 00
George Kitchen & Co.....	11,785 00
Baker, Smith & Co.....	12,589 00

The following resolutions were then passed :

Resolved, That the contract for materials and masonry work in the construction of an armory building at Sixty-first street and Sixty-second street and Ninth avenue be and is hereby awarded to Moran & Armstrong, they being the lowest bidders, subject to the approval of the sureties by the Comptroller, and that the President be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute the contract after the approval of the sureties, subject to the concurrence of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

Also—

Resolved, That the contract for materials and iron work in the construction of an armory building at Sixty-first and Sixty-second streets and Ninth avenue be and is hereby awarded to A. R. Whitney & Co., they being the lowest bidders, subject to the approval of the sureties by the Comptroller, and that the President be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute the contract after the approval of the sureties, subject to the concurrence of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

Also—

Resolved, That the contract for materials and carpenter work in the construction of an armory building at Sixty-first and Sixty-second streets and Ninth avenue be and is hereby awarded to Mahoney Brothers, they being the lowest bidders, subject to the approval of the sureties by the Comptroller, and that the President be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute the contract after the approval of the sureties, subject to the concurrence of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

Also—

Resolved, That the contract for materials and plumbing and drainage work in the construction of an armory building at Sixty-first and Sixty-second streets and Ninth avenue be and is hereby awarded to John Renehan, he being the lowest bidder, subject to the approval of the sureties by the Comptroller, and that the President be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute the contract after the approval of the sureties, subject to the concurrence of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

Also—

Resolved, That the contract for materials and steam-heating work in the construction of an armory building at Sixty-first and Sixty-second streets and Ninth avenue be and is hereby awarded to Gillis & Geoghegan, they being the lowest bidders, subject to the approval of the sureties by the Comptroller, and that the President be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute the contract after the approval of the sureties, subject to the concurrence of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

The following resolutions were then passed :

Resolved, That the proposals of Moran & Armstrong for masonry work, A. R. Whitney & Co. for iron work, Mahoney Brothers for carpenter work, John Renehan for plumbing work, Gillis & Geoghegan for steam-heating, in the construction of an armory building at Sixty-first and Sixty-second streets and Ninth avenue, they being the lowest bidders, be forwarded to the Comptroller for approval of sureties.

Also—

Resolved, That the checks and currency received from the following bidders, representing five per centum of security required on proposals for construction of an armory building at Sixty-first and Sixty-second streets and Ninth avenue, be forwarded to the Comptroller, as follows :

Masonry—Sinclair & Wills, check.....	\$3,250 00
“ Langstaff N. Crow, “.....	3,000 00
“ Moran & Armstrong, check.....	6,000 00
Iron Work—A. R. Whitney & Co., check.....	2,000 00
“ Post & McCord, “.....	950 00
“ Passaic Rolling Mills, “.....	800 00
“ J. B. & J. M. Cornell, “.....	1,200 00
“ Fox & Drummond, “.....	1,325 00
“ W. H. Jackson & Co., “.....	1,500 00
Carpenter Work—Thomas Overington, check.....	1,445 00
“ Mahoney Brothers, “.....	1,750 00
“ Gottlieb Grissler, currency.....	1,700 00
“ J. V. & S. J. Donovan, check.....	3,750 00
Plumbing and Drainage—John Renehan, “.....	250 00
Steam Heating—Jacob Jamer, currency.....	350 00
“ Gillis & Geoghegan, check.....	300 00
“ George Kitchen & Co., check.....	294 63
“ Baker, Smith & Co., “.....	700 00

Also—

Resolved, That the Secretary is hereby instructed to submit to the Sinking Fund Commission the contracts for building Twelfth Regiment Armory, and respectfully request said Commission to concur in the execution of said contracts.

The Secretary then read a communication from W. J. Barnes, offering for sale the block of ground bounded by One Hundred and Second and One Hundred and Third streets, Ninth and New avenues, consisting of twenty-eight lots, as a site for the Ninth Regiment Armory, for \$195,000.

The communication was received and referred to the Secretary for consultation with Colonel Seward, with reference to the desirability of said site.

Adjourned, subject to the call of the President.

(Signed)

ALEXANDER SHALER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, held at their office, No. 78 Tribune Building, Wednesday, December 17, 1884, at 3 o'clock P.M.

Commissioners present—The Mayor, the Comptroller, Commissioner of Public Works, Commissioners James C. Spencer, William Dowd, and C. C. Baldwin.

Also, Chief Engineer Church, Executive Engineer Feley; and Chief Engineer Birdsall of the Department of Public Works.

The minutes of the meetings of the 10th and 13th inst. were read and approved; and the minutes of the meeting of December 9th, as amended by direction of the Commissioners on the 10th inst., were approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills included in vouchers Nos. 438 and 451, which, on motion of Commissioner Dowd, were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment.

The Committee also made the following report :

1st. That the Board appropriate the sum of \$2,100 for furnishing and fitting up the headquarters offices of the several Division Engineers, the same to be done under the supervision and direction of the Chief Engineer.

2d. That the Chief Engineer be authorized to procure the necessary transits, levels, and other field instruments, as detailed in his report of December 2, 1884, at a cost of not exceeding the sum of \$2,417.

3d. That the sum of \$3,000 be appropriated for the purchase of such horses, wagons, harness, and stable supplies as may be from time to time required for the use of the said Division Engineers.

4th. The Secretary having reported that the appropriations made October 10, 1883, for stationery and drawing materials in the office of the Chief Engineer and in the office of the Commissioners, are nearly exhausted, the Committee recommend to the Board a further appropriation of \$1,000 for the purchase of drawing materials and stationery for the office of the Chief Engineer, and of \$500 for stationery for the office of the Commissioners.

On motion of the Mayor, the recommendations of the Committee of Finance and Audit were approved, and it was unanimously

Resolved, That the following appropriations be made, viz. :

1st. For furniture, and fitting up the headquarters offices for the Engineers upon the six divisions of the New Aqueduct, between the Harlem river and the Croton Dam, the sum of \$2,100.

2d. For transits, levels, and other field instruments, as detailed in the report of the Chief Engineer to the Committee of Finance and Audit, dated December 2, 1884, the sum of \$2,417.

3d. For horses, wagons, harness, blankets, and stable furnishings, as the same may be from time to time required, the sum of \$3,000.

4th. For drawing materials and stationery for the office of the Chief Engineer, the sum of \$1,000, and for the office of the Commissioners, the sum of \$500.

The Secretary presented a communication from the Comptroller, dated December 13, 1884, giving notice of the issuance of warrants for payment of certain sums appertaining to the work of the Commissioners of Appraisal, and not certified by this Commission, amounting to \$3,446.80; which communication was ordered placed on file, and proper entries thereof made upon the books of this Commission.

The Secretary explained to the Board the omission of some minor details in the copies of property maps prepared by the Department of Public Works for the use of the Commissioners of Appraisal of New York City and County, which omissions were now being corrected, and which corrections required the approval of this Board.

Thereupon, Commissioner Baldwin offered the following resolution :

Whereas, In the preparation by the Department of Public Works of the 4th, 5th and 6th copies of the property maps for the use of the Commissioners of Appraisal for the City and County of New York, certain details were omitted from such copies, it is

Resolved, That we hereby approve of all such additions to said maps as shall be made by the Commissioner of Public Works to conform said maps in all particulars with the maps approved by this Commission, and now on file in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York.

The resolution was adopted by the affirmative vote of the Mayor, Comptroller, Commissioner of Public Works, Commissioners Spencer, Dowd and Baldwin.

Chief Engineer Church presented a communication, dated December 17, 1884, recommending that by reason of his repeated absence from duty without leave, the services of Alfred de la Cornillere, as Mechanical Draftsman, be dispensed with.

This recommendation was approved unanimously; to take effect immediately.

The matter of the completion of the contracts awarded on the 13th inst. was then considered; and on motion of the Mayor the matter of the execution of the bonds and the sufficiency of the sureties offered by the contractors was referred to the Committee of Finance and Audit for arrangement, and report to this Board on Saturday next, 20th inst., at 3 o'clock P. M., and the hour of 12 o'clock M. of the same day was fixed for the execution of the contracts awarded to Messrs. Brown, Howard & Co.

The Commissioners then adjourned, to meet at 3 o'clock P. M. on Saturday, 20th inst.

JAMES W. McCULLOH, Secretary.

Minutes of Adjourned Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, held at their office, No. 78 Tribune Building, Saturday, December 20, 1884, at 3 o'clock P. M.

Commissioners present—The Mayor, the Comptroller, Commissioners James C. Spencer, William Dowd, and C. C. Baldwin.

The Commissioners met pursuant to the adjournment from December 17th, for consideration of the report of the Committee of Finance and Audit, upon the sufficiency of the sureties offered by Messrs. Brown, Howard & Co., and for the execution of the contracts awarded to them.

On motion of the Mayor, the reading of the minutes of the meeting of the 17th was deferred until the regular meeting of Wednesday next.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported (verbally) that they had examined and satisfied themselves of the sufficiency of the sureties offered by Messrs. Brown, Howard & Co., for the faithful performance of the contracts awarded to them for Sections 5, 4, 3 and 2 of the New Aqueduct; and that contracts and bonds have been prepared and duly executed for said sections by Walston H. Brown, of New York City, Columbus R. Cummings, William B. Howard, George Chambers and Archie J. McBean, of Chicago, Illinois, and Duncan D. McBean, of Portland, Oregon, as principals; and Calvin S. Brice, Samuel Thomas and Frederick A. Brown, as sureties; the said sureties having collectively justified for double the amount of the security required by the Commissioners for the faithful performance of the said contracts.

And the Committee recommend the approval of said sureties by the Commissioners, and the execution and certification of the said contracts by them.

On motion of the Comptroller, the report of the Committee was received, and their action approved.

Commissioner Spencer then stated that although Messrs. Brown, Howard & Co. had executed the contracts on their part, they nevertheless desired the benefit of the full term of ten days within which they were required to execute the same, which seemed to him to be a proper and reasonable request, and would be accomplished by deferring the execution of the contracts until the next meeting of the Commissioners; wherefore he moved that the Commissioners defer the execution of the above-named contracts with Brown, Howard & Co. until Wednesday next, the 24th inst.

The motion was seconded by the Comptroller, and was adopted unanimously.

The Secretary reported that the owners of several of the houses recommended by the Chief Engineer in his report of December 10, 1884, for headquarters of the Division Engineers on the New Aqueduct, had agreed to accept the rentals stated in said report, and were prepared to execute leases therefor; whereupon Commissioner Spencer offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Secretary is hereby directed to prepare leases for the dwelling-houses for the use of the Division Engineers, as described in the report of the Chief Engineer, dated December 10, 1884, and that, after the same shall have been examined and approved by the Committee of Finance and Audit, the President of the Commission is authorized and requested to execute said leases on behalf of the Commissioners.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

JAMES W. McCULLOH, Secretary.

APPROVED PAPERS.

Resolved, That the consent of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York (being the local authorities having control of those streets or highways upon which it is proposed to construct and operate the railroad hereinafter mentioned) be and is hereby given to the Thirty-fourth Street Railroad Company (a corporation organized under, pursuant to and by virtue of an act of the State of New York, entitled "An act to provide for the construction, extension, maintenance and operation of street surface railroads and branches thereof in cities, towns and villages," passed May 6, 1884, and which company has applied for this consent in writing) to construct, maintain, operate, use said surface railroad or branches for public use in the conveyance of persons and property in cars for compensation, in this city, and to construct, maintain, operate and use such switches, sidings, turn-outs, turn-tables and suitable stands as may be necessary for the convenient working of such road and branches on the surface of the soil, through, upon and along any or all of the following streets, avenues, roads or highways of this city, to wit :

From connections with the Hudson river at the foot of West Thirty-fourth street, through, along and upon West Thirty-fourth street and East Thirty-fourth street to connections with the ferry at the foot of East Thirty-fourth street, East river.

From connections with this company's route in West Thirty-fourth street at Tenth avenue, through, along and upon Tenth avenue to West Forty-second street.

Thence through, along and upon West Forty-second street to connections with the ferries at the foot of that street, Hudson or North river.

And also through, along and upon any private property which said company may acquire for the purpose of its railroad and business.

The said route may be laid with double tracks of iron or steel, or steel-faced rails.

And the said company may operate any or all portions of its road by animal or horse power, or by cable traction, or by any power which it may elect other than locomotive steam power.

Resolved, That this consent is granted upon the express condition that the provisions of said act of the State of New York, above mentioned, pertinent thereto, shall be complied with by the said Thirty-fourth Street Railroad Company, its successors and assigns.

Resolved, That the proofs of due publication for at least fourteen (14) days in two (2) daily newspapers in this city, designated by the Mayor of this city, of the notice of this application of the Thirty-fourth Street Railroad Company, and of the time and place when and where such application would be first considered, be and are filed with the Clerk of the Common Council.

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and is directed to issue necessary permits to the Thirty-fourth Street Railroad Company for taking up the pavements, laying their tracks, and restoring the pavements at the proper cost and charges of said railroad company in the above enumerated streets of this city, when and as applied for by the said railroad company.

Resolved, That these resolutions be duly authenticated in duplicate, and one of such originals be filed with the Clerk of New York County, as directed by law, and the other with the Clerk of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 20, 1884.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, December 27, 1884, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 75, chapter 410, Laws of 1882, the same became adopted.

Resolved, That Benedict S. Wise be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of William T. Nash, whose term of office has expired.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 27, 1884.

Resolved, That One Hundred and Forty-second street, between St. Ann's and Brook avenues, be regulated and graded, under the direction of the Commissioners of Public Parks; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 15, 1884.

Approved by the Mayor, December 26, 1884.

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 December 27, 1884.

Barometer.

DATE.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	MEAN FOR THE DAY.	MAXIMUM.	MINIMUM.
DECEMBER.	Reduced to Freezing.	Reduced to Freezing.	Reduced to Freezing.	Reduced to Freezing.	Reduced to Freezing.	Reduced to Freezing.
Sunday, 21	30.100	29.810	29.700	29.870	30.332	29.644
Monday, 22	29.708	29.514	29.506	29.576	29.708	29.488
Tuesday, 23	29.976	30.168	30.288	30.144	30.300	29.556
Wednesday, 24	30.208	30.000	29.944	30.051	30.290	29.938
Thursday, 25	30.146	30.300	30.346	30.264	30.378	29.938
Friday, 26	30.400	30.410	30.528	30.446	30.532	30.378
Saturday, 27	30.522	30.490	30.508	30.506	30.588	30.488

Mean for the week..... 30.122 inches.
 Maximum " at 10 A. M., December 27..... 30.588 "
 Minimum " at 6 P. M., " 22..... 29.488 "
 Range " 1.100 "

Thermometers.

DATE.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	MEAN.	MAXIMUM.	MINIMUM.	MAXIMUM.
DECEMBER.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	In Sun.
Sunday, 21	15	15	32	34	34	27.0	36
Monday, 22	34	31	36	38	38	36.0	39
Tuesday, 23	25	23	25	24	24	22.6	38
Wednesday, 24	19	19	22	22	22	21.0	24
Thursday, 25	24	24	20	18	18	20.3	25
Friday, 26	13	13	20	14	14	15.6	21
Saturday, 27	18	18	27	30	30	25.0	30

Mean for the week..... 24.2 degrees
 Maximum for the week, at 6 P. M., 22d..... 39. " at 6 P. M., 22d..... 38. "
 Minimum " at 0 A. M., 21st..... 7. " at 0 A. M., 21st..... 7. "
 Range " 32. "

Wind.

DATE. DECEMBER.	DIRECTION.			VELOCITY IN MILES.				FORCE IN POUNDS PER SQUARE FOOT.					
	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	Distance for the Day.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	Max.	Time.	
Sunday, 21....	NNE	ENE	NNE	63	35	9	107	0	0	0	1¾	10.10 P.M.	
Monday, 22....	SW	NNW	WSW	83	36	33	152	2¼	0	1	11½	12 P.M.	
Tuesday, 23....	WNW	NW	N	170	100	38	308	2	2	0	16	1.30 A.M.	
Wednesday, 24....	NE	NNE	NNW	51	67	55	173	¾	1¼	0	4¾	1.10 P.M.	
Thursday, 25....	NW	NNE	NNE	95	101	83	279	1¾	¾	1¼	8¾	10.50 P.M.	
Friday, 26....	NNE	NNE	NNE	134	97	62	293	5¼	1¾	1	8¾	11.10 A.M.	
Saturday, 27....	NNW	NE	ENE	89	62	66	217	0	3¼	1	4	8 A.M.	

Distance traveled during the week..... 1,529 miles.
 Maximum force " " 16 pounds.

DATE. DECEMBER.		Hygrometer.						Clouds.			Rain and Snow.					
		FORCE OF VAPOR.			RELA- TIVE HUMID- ITY.			CLEAR, O. OVERCAST, 10.			DEPTH OF RAIN AND SNOW IN INCHES.					
		7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 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. H. M.	Amount of Water.	Depth of Snow.	
Sunday, 21	.086	.181	.195	100	100	100	10	10	10	1 A. M.	12 P. M.	23.00	1.94	4"		
Monday, 22	.196	.212	.229	100	100	100	10	10	10	1.30 P. M.	10 P. M.	8.30	.04	...		
Tuesday, 23	.100	.100	.095	74	74	74	3 Cir. Cu.	10	5 Cir. Cu.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wedn'day, 24	.103	.118	.118	100	100	100	10	10	10	4 A. M.	12 M.	8.00	.27	3½"		
Thursday, 25	.129	.092	.098	100	85	100	3 Cir.	3 Cir.S.	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Friday, 26	.078	.108	.082	100	100	100	10	0	0	1 A. M.	6 A. M.	5.00	.07	2"		
Saturday, 27	.098	.147	.167	100	100	100	10	10	6 Cir. Cu.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Total amount of water for the week..... 2.32 inch.

DANIEL DRAPER, Ph. D., Director.

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, 9 A. M. to 3 P. M.
 FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor; WILLIAM E. LUCAS, Secretary; AUGUSTUS WALSH, Chief Clerk.
Mayor's Marshal's Office.
 No. 1 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
 GEORGE A. McDERMOTT, First Marshal.
Permit Bureau Office.
 No. 13 1/2 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
 HENRY WOLTMAN, Registrar.

COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS.

Rooms 114 and 115 Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
 GEO. EDWIN HILL, ANDREW B. MARTIN.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSIONERS.

Room 78, Tribune Building, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.
 THE MAYOR, President; JAMES W. McCULLOH, 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.
 WILLIAM P. KIRK, 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.
 HUBERT O. THOMPSON, Commissioner; 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.
 STEPHENSON 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 Incumbrances.
 No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
 JOSEPH BLUMENTHAL, Superintendent.

Keeper of Buildings in City Hall Park.
 MARTIN J. KEES, 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. STORRS, 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.
 No. 5 New County Court-house, 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. 1 and 3 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
 FRANCIS TOMES, Collector of the City Revenue and Superintendent of Markets.

Bureau for the Collection of Taxes.
 First floor Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park.
 MARTIN T. McMAHON, Receiver of Taxes; ALFRED VREDENBURG, 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.
 HENRY E. LAIDLAW, City Chamberlain.

Office of the City Paymaster.
 Room 1, New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
 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.
 ALGERNON S. SULLIVAN, 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 Elections

DEPARTMENT OF CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

Central Office.
 No. 66 Third avenue, corner Eleventh street, 8.30 A. M. to 5.30 P. M.
 JACOB HESS, 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.
 CORNELIUS VAN COTT, President; CARL JUSSEN, Secretary.

Bureau of Chief of Department.

CHARLES O. SHAY, Chief of Department.
Bureau of Inspector of Combustibles.
 PETER SHERV, Inspector of Combustibles.

Bureau of Fire Marshal.

GEORGE H. SHELTON, Fire Marshal.
Bureau of Inspection of Buildings.
 WM. P. ESTERBROOK, Inspector 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.
 99th street, between 9th and 10th avenues.

JOSEPH SHEA, Foreman-in-Charge.
 Open at all hours.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

No. 301 Mott street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
 ALEXANDER SHALER, President; EMMONS CLARK, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

No. 36 Union Square, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
 JOHN D. CRIMMINS, President; EDWARD P. BARKER, Secretary.

Civil and Topographical Office.

Arsenal, 64th street and 5th avenue, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Office of Superintendent of 23a and 24th Wards.
 146th street and 3d avenue, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

Nos. 117 and 119 Duane street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
 LUCIUS J. N. STARK, President; JOHN T. CUMING, 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.
 THOMAS B. ASTEN, 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. BEARDSLEY, Attorney; WILLIAM COMERFORD, Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING.

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

MUNICIPAL CIVIL SERVICE ADVISORY AND EXAMINING BOARDS.
 No. 23 East Twentieth street.

EVERETT P. WHEELER, Chairman of the Advisory Board; RUSSELL STURGIS, Secretary and Executive Officer.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS.

Office, City Hall, Room No. 11 1/2, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
 JOHN R. LYDECKER, 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.
 ALEXANDER V. DAVIDSON, Sheriff; JOEL O. STEVENS, Under Sheriff; DAVID MCGONIGAL, Order Arrest Clerk.

REGISTER'S OFFICE.

East side City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
 JOHN REILLY, Register; J. FAIRFAX McLAUGHLIN, Deputy Register.

COMMISSIONER OF JURORS.

No. 17 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
 GEORGE CAULFIELD, Commissioner; JAMES E. CONNER, Deputy Commissioner.

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE.

Nos. 7 and 8 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
 PATRICK KEENAN, County Clerk; H. S. BEATTIE, Deputy County Clerk.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.

Second floor, Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
 PETER B. OLNEY, District Attorney; HUGH DONNELLY, Chief Clerk.

THE CITY RECORD OFFICE,

And Bureau of Printing, Stationery, and Blank Books.
 No. 2 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. ABELL, 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.
 PHILIP MERKLE, FERDINAND LEVY, BERNARD F. MARTIN and WILLIAM H. KENNEDY, Coroners; JOHN T. TOAL, Clerk of the Board of Coroners.

SUPREME COURT.

Second floor, New County Court-house, 10 1/2 A. M. to 3 P. M.
 General Term, Room No. 9.
 Special Term, Room No. 10.
 Chambers, Room No. 11.
 Circuit, Part I., Room No. 12.
 Circuit, Part II., Room No. 13.
 Circuit, Part III., Room No. 14.
 Judges' Private Chambers, Room No. 15.
 NOAH DAVIS, Chief Justice; PATRICK KEENAN, Clerk.

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. 34.
 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 RUPES B. 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. 10, City Hall, 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 10:30 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, southeast 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, cor. 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.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS

CITY OF NEW YORK,
 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
 36 UNION SQUARE,
 December 26, 1884.

PROPERTY-OWNERS INTERESTED IN THE proposed change of the grades of the streets and avenues intersecting and crossing the tracks of the Harlem Railroad Company, in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, are requested to call at the office of the Topographical Engineer of the Department of Public Parks, at the Arsenal building, Sixty-fourth street and Fifth avenue, Central Park, and examine plans, as prepared by the Department of Public Parks, showing a system of proposed over grade crossings, and make known their views in relation to the same with the view of securing such legislation as may be necessary in order to secure such change of grades.

By order of the Department of Public Parks,
 E. P. BARKER,
 Secretary.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS
 FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
 155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,
 NEW YORK, December 29, 1884.

TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING THIS

Department with the following articles:
 230,000 pounds Hay, of the quality and standard known as Best Sweet Timothy.
 43,000 pounds good, clean Rye Straw.
 2,300 bags clean No. 1 White Oats, 80 pounds to the bag.

1,300 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., Saturday, January 10, 1885, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read.

Proposals must include all the items, specifying the price per cwt. for hay and straw, and per bag for oats and bran.
 All of the articles are to be delivered at the various houses of the department below Fifty-ninth street, in such quantities and at such times as may be directed.
 No estimate will be received or considered after the hour named.

The award of the contract will be made as soon as practicable after the opening of the bids.
 Any person making an estimate for the work shall present the same in a sealed envelope, to said Board, at said office, on or before the day and hour above named, which envelope shall be indorsed with the name or names

of the person or persons presenting the same, the date of its presentation and a statement of the work to which it relates.

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

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

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders of the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance, in the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000); 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 seventy-five dollars (\$75). 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 shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York, as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

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

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

CORNELIUS VAN COTT,
 HENRY D. PURROY,
 RICHARD CROKER,
 Fire Commissioners.

HEADQUARTERS
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CORNELIUS VAN COTT,
 HENRY D. PURROY,
 RICHARD CROKER,
 Fire Commissioners.

HEADQUARTERS
 FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
 155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,
 NEW YORK, Nov. 21, 1883.

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
 CORNELIUS VAN COTT, President.
 HENRY D. PURROY,
 RICHARD CROKER,
 Commissioners.
 CARL JUSSEN,
 Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

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

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR FLOUR.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING and delivering free of all expense at the Bake-house dock, Blackwell's Island (east side), 4,000 barrels extra Wheat Flour, in lots of not less than 1,000 barrels, one-half of each quality, as follows:

2,000 barrels of sample marked No. 1.
 2,000 barrels of sample marked No. 2.

The flour to be equal to the samples exhibited and subject to the approval of three members of the New York Produce Exchange, to be named by the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, whose decision regarding the quality of the flour proposed to be delivered shall be binding upon both seller and buyer.

Contractor to furnish inspector's certificate of grade, and also certificate of weight and tare of each lot.
 —will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities and Correction, No. 66 Third avenue, in the City of New York, until 9:30 o'clock A. M., of Tuesday, January 6, 1885. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Flour," and with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President of said Department, and read.

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

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

Dated New York, December 23, 1884.

JACOB HESS,
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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
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TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR GROCERIES, DRY GOODS, HARDWARE, LEATHER AND FINDINGS, CROCKERY, WHISKEY, CORKS, LUMBER, ETC.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING

GROCERIES.

7,500 pounds Dairy Butter; sample on exhibition Monday, January 5, 1885.
 2,000 pounds Dried Apples.
 10,000 pounds Barley.
 600 pounds Cocoa.
 15,000 pounds Rio Coffee.
 2,000 pounds Maracaibo Coffee, roasted.
 2,500 pounds Cheese.
 2,500 pounds Chicory.
 100 pounds Farina, in 1-pound papers.
 1,000 pounds Macaroni, in 25-pound boxes.
 30 pounds Nutmegs (No. 1).
 20,000 pounds Oatmeal.
 5,000 pounds Prunes.
 20,000 pounds Rice.
 50,000 pounds Brown Sugar.
 5,000 pounds Granulated Sugar.
 5,000 pounds Cut Loaf Sugar.
 10,000 pounds Coffee Sugar.
 100,000 pounds Brown Soap.
 500 pounds best quality kettle rendered Leaf Lard.
 10,000 pounds Oolong Tea.
 33,500 Fresh Eggs, all to be candled.
 600 barrels good, sound Irish Potatoes, to weigh 168 pounds net per barrel, to be delivered at Blackwell's Island.
 100 barrels Prime Carrots, 120 pounds net per barrel.
 100 barrels Prime Russia Turnips, 135 pounds net per barrel.
 50 barrels Prime Red Onions.
 50 barrels Fine Flour.
 100 barrels Crackers.
 25 barrels prime quality Large Shore No. 2 Mackerel, 200 pounds net each.
 200 barrels prime quality American Salt, 320 pounds net each, to be delivered at Blackwell's Island.
 25 barrels Vinegar.
 900 quintals prime quality Grand Bank Codfish, to be perfectly well cured, and to average not less than five pounds, to be delivered as required, in boxes of four quintals each.
 3,000 gallons Molasses.
 2,000 gallons Syrup.
 30 dozen Canned Corn, 2 pounds.
 40 dozen Canned Peaches, 3 pounds.
 20 dozen Canned Peas, 2 pounds.
 50 dozen Canned Tomatoes, 3 pounds.
 20 dozen Chow Chow, pints (B. & C.).
 10 dozen Gherkins, pints (B. & C.).
 20 dozen Worcestershire Sauce, pints (L. & P.).
 2 dozen Olive Oil.
 12 dozen Gelatine.
 50 dozen Sea Foam.
 24 dozen Bath Brick.
 50 pieces prime quality City Cured Bacon, to average 6 pounds each.
 100 gross Matches.
 400 bushels Beans.
 1,000 bushels Oats.
 300 bushels Rye.
 100 bags Bran (fifty pounds each).
 100 bags Coarse Meal (100 pounds each).
 100 bags Fine Meal (100 pounds each).
 50 kits No. 1 Mackerel (20 pounds net each).

20 boxes Raisins, "Layers."
100 boxes Laundry Starch, in 40-pound boxes.
500 bales long bright Rye Straw, tare not to exceed 3 pounds per bale, and weight as delivered at Blackwell's Island.

DRY GOODS.

500 Rubber Blankets.
100 B. F. Blouses.
1,000 pounds Knitting Cotton.
50,000 yards Brown Muslin.
50,000 yards Bleached Muslin.
5,000 yards Shroud Muslin.
5,000 yards U. G. Cassimere.
1,000 yards Striped Prison Cloth.
10,000 yards Cotton Jeans.
1,000 yards Linsey Woolsey.
10,000 yards Dark Calico.
10,000 yards Light Calico.
10,000 yards Blue Denims.
10,000 yards Awning Stripes.
10,000 yards Hickory Stripes.
10,000 yards Ticking.
5,000 yards Furniture Check.
1,000 yards Linen Diaper.
5,000 yards Twilled Toweling.
1,000 yards Huckabuck Toweling.
2,000 yards Red Flannel.
1,000 yards White Flannel.
1,000 yards Canton Flannel.
20,000 yards Bandage Muslin.

CROCKERY.

2 gross Bed Pans.
1 gross Spit Cups.
1 gross Pitchers, 1 quart.
1 gross Pitchers, 2 quarts.
2 gross Tumblers.
5 gross W. G. Bowls.
1 gross W. G. Ewers.
3 gross W. G. Sauces.
1 gross W. G. Cups.

LIME, ETC.

50 barrels best quality Whitewash Lime.
25 barrels best quality Chloride of Lime, containing not less than 32 per cent. of Chloride.
20 barrels best quality Plaster Paris.

WHITE LEAD.

10,000 pounds Pure White Lead, ground in oil and equal to Atlantic Mills 40-100s, 80-50s, 80-25s.

LEATHER, FINDINGS, ETC.

3,000 pounds Offal Leather.
500 S. I. Shoe Nails, No. 13.
500 S. I. Shoe Nails, No. 15.
200 bunches Leather Shoe Laces.
12 dozen Shoe Ink (best) quarts.
10 kegs Horse Shoes, fore and hind, half each, No. 5.

WHISKEY.

75 barrels two-stamp, copper-distilled Bourbon Whiskey, to be not less than one year old, to be delivered semi-monthly as required during the year 1885, and each delivery to be accompanied with the certificate of a United States Gauger, giving the number of wine and proof gallons in each barrel, with proof of same.

CORKS.

1,500 gross Druggists' Taper Corks, long quality XX, to be delivered in bags of five gross, properly marked, viz.:

No. 2.	No. 3.	No. 4.
250 gross.	350 gross.	300 gross.
No. 5.	No. 6.	No. 7.
300 gross.	150 gross.	150 gross.

LUMBER.

20,000 feet B. M. good shipping Box Boards, 1 inch, 12 to 16 inches wide, 12 to 16 feet long, dressed one side.
5,000 feet B. M. good shipping Box Boards, 3/4 inch, 12 to 16 inches wide, 12 to 16 feet long, dressed one side.
250 pieces good dressed, tongued and grooved Pine boards, 1 inch by 10 inches by 13 feet.
All to be delivered at Blackwell's Island.

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Dated New York, December 23, 1884.

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Commissioners of the Department of Public Charities and Correction.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
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TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING materials for new Pavilion, Hart's Island, all the materials to be of the best quality of their kind, and to be delivered, with the exception of the hardware and iron, at Hart's Island.

LUMBER.

40 pieces Spruce, 3 x 12 inches by 31 feet.
325 " " " 3 x 10 " " 15 "
35 " " " 3 x 10 " " 20 "
36 " " " 3 x 10 " " 25 "
36 " " " 3 x 10 " " 30 "
370 " " " 3 x 9 " " 15 "
36 " " " 3 x 9 " " 25 "
36 " " " 3 x 9 " " 30 "
20 " " " 3 x 8 " " 18 "
60 " " " 3 x 8 " " 20 "
20 " " " 3 x 8 " " 30 "
250 " " " 3 x 7 " " 21 "
125 " " " 3 x 7 " " 18 "
450 " " " 4 x 6 " " 16 "
200 " " " 3 x 4 " " 16 "
50 " " " 2 x 4 " " 13 "
150 " " " 2 x 8 " " 13 "
150 " " " 1 1/2 x 10 " " 13 "

27,500 lineal feet Spruce, 2 x 3 inches.

37,000 " " " 1 1/2 x 2 " "

3,000 good Hemlock Boards, 1 x 10 inches by 13 feet.

7,000 feet B. M. good White Pine Box Boards, 1 x 12 inches.

8 pieces clear White Pine, 3 x 7 inches by 21 feet.

8 " " " 3 x 7 " " 19 "

10 " " " 3 x 8 " " 20 "

5 " " " 3 x 8 " " 14 "

8 " " " 3 x 6 " " 13 "

20 " " " 3 x 6 " " 10 "

12 " " " 3 x 6 " " 16 "

12 " " " 6 x 6 " " 12 "

550 lineal feet clear White Pine, 4 x 6.

250 lineal feet clear White Pine, 4 x 4.

4,500 feet B. M. clear White Pine, 2 x 12, dressed two sides.

1,700 feet B. M. clear White Pine, 1 1/2 x 12, dressed two sides.

3,500 feet B. M. clear White Pine, 1 1/4 x 14, dressed two sides.

7,000 feet B. M. clear White Pine, 3/4 x 15, dressed two sides.

2,000 feet B. M. clear White Pine, 3/8 x 12, tongued and grooved.

300 feet B. M. clear White Pine, 3/8 x 16, dressed two sides.

12 pieces clear, well-seasoned Georgia Yellow Pine, 4 x 14 x 31 feet.

2 pieces clear, well-seasoned Georgia Yellow Pine, 4 x 14 x 26 feet.

37,000 feet B. M. clear, well-seasoned Georgia Yellow Pine Flooring, 1 1/2 x 3 1/2 inches.

4,000 feet B. M. clear, well-seasoned Georgia Yellow Pine Ceiling, 3/4 x 3 1/2 inches.

1,250 feet B. M. clear, well-seasoned Georgia Yellow Pine, 1 1/2 x 12 inches, dressed two sides.

700 feet B. M. clear, well-seasoned Georgia Yellow Pine, 3/8 x 8 inches, dressed two sides.

400 feet B. M. clear, well-seasoned Georgia Yellow Pine, 1 x 18 inches, dressed two sides.

125,000 extra XXX clear sawed Pine Shingles, 18 inch.

135,000 Laths, best quality.

DOORS AND SASH.

22 Doors, 4-paneled, flush mouldings, 3 feet x 7 feet 6 inches by 1 1/2 inches.

6 pairs Doors, 4-paneled, raised mouldings, 8 feet x 4 feet 6 inches x 2 inches.

7 Doors, 4-paneled, raised mouldings, 7 feet 6 inches x 3 feet x 1 1/2 inches.

40 Doors, 4-paneled, flush mouldings, 7 feet 6 inches x 2 feet 8 inches x 1 1/2 inches.

1 pair Sliding Doors, 2 in. thick, 4-paneled, raised mouldings, to fit opening 10 feet x 10 feet.

73 pairs Window Sash, 3 ft. x 6 ft. 2 in. x 1 1/2 in., 12 lights.

75 pairs Window Sash, 3 ft. x 8 ft. 10 in. x 1 1/2 in., 12 lights.

22 Fan Lights, 36 in. x 26 in. x 1 1/2 in.

6 " " 54 in. x 30 in. x 2 in.

36 " " 36 in. x 24 in. x 1 1/2 in.

40 " " 32 in. x 24 in. x 1 1/2 in.

Doors, sashes and fan-lights to be of clear, well seasoned white pine; sashes and fan-lights to be glazed with best quality, double thick American glass.

HARDWARE, IRON, ETC.

87 kegs cut nails, 6-6d, 6-4d, 3-2d, 10-12d, 15-10d, 6-8d, 6-6d, 10-3d, 15-4d.
4 kegs finishing nails, 2-10d, 1-8d, 1-6d.
5,800 ft. 1/2 in. Round Iron refined.
3,700 ft. 1/2 in. x 1/4 in. Iron refined.
400 ft. 3/4 in. x 2 1/4 in. Iron refined.
200 ft. 3/4 in. x 1 1/4 in. Ulster Iron.
500 Iron Bolts with nuts and washers, 100 3/4 in. x 20 in., 100 3/4 in. x 9 in., 300 1/2 in. x 5 in.
100 Round Head Spikes, 3 in. x 1/2 in.
19 Cast Iron Columns, 12 ft. 6 in. x 8 in., 1 1/2 in. thick, with bed plates 18 in. square, 1 1/2 in. thick moulded top.
200 ft. Manila Rope, 3 in.
1 Double Pulley Block, 5 in. sheaves.
2 Single " 5 in. "
2 Coils Manila Rope, 1 1/2 in.

LIME, CEMENT, AND BRICK.

800,000 best North River Hard Brick.
200 barrels Common Lime, best quality.
200 barrels Rosendale or Lehigh Valley Cement Co.'s Cement.

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Dated New York, December 23, 1884.

JACOB HESS,

HENRY H. PORTER,

THOMAS S. BRENNAN,

Commissioners of the Department of Public Charities and Correction.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,
NEW YORK, December 18, 1884.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN ORDINANCE OF the Common Council, "In relation to the burial of strangers or unknown persons who may die in any of the public institutions of the City of New York," the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction report as follows:

At Workhouse, Blackwell's Island—Mary Raymond; aged 60 years. Committed December 1, 1884.

At Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's Island—Mary Sands; aged 40 years; 5 feet 1 inch high; gray hair, blue eyes.

Theresa Bogert; aged 49 years; 5 feet 2 1/2 inches high; gray hair, brown eyes.

At Homoeopathic Hospital, Ward's Island—Otto Johke; aged 27 years; 5 feet 9 inches high; blue eyes, brown hair. Had on when admitted black coat, striped pants and vest, Congress gaiters, black hat.

John Towney; aged 26 years; 5 feet 6 inches high; gray eyes, brown hair. Had on when admitted dark mixed coat, blue vest, dark pants, Congress gaiters, black Derby hat.

Patrick Mooney; aged 50 years; 5 feet 9 inches high; blue eyes, brown hair. Had on when admitted dark suit clothes, blue check jumper, brogan shoes, black Derby hat.

At Hart's Island Hospital—George James; aged 67 years. Admitted September 8, 1884.

Nothing known of their friends or relatives.

By order.

G. F. BRITTON,

Secretary.

COMMISSIONERS OF ESTIMATE FOR NEW PARKS AND PARKWAYS.

NOTICE.

TO PARTIES INTERESTED IN LANDS embraced in the new parks and parkways in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York, and in Westchester County, laid out in and by chapter 322 of the Session Laws of the State of New York for 1884:

The Commissioners of Estimate, appointed under said act, to estimate the loss and damage to parties interested in the properties laid out in and by said act for such parks and parkways, will meet at Room No. 803 in the building of the Mutual Life Insurance Company, No. 32 Nassau street, in the City of New York (occupied by the Aqueduct Appraisal Commission), on the 30th day of December inst., at 1 o'clock P. M., and at such times and places thereafter as the same may be adjourned to, to hear the proofs and allegations of the said parties on such estimate and to perform the duties contemplated by said act. For further information in relation to the matter apply to Arthur Berry, Clerk of the Commission, No. 73 William street, New York City.

Dated New York, 10th December, 1884.

LUTHER R. MARSH,

GEORGE W. QUINARD,

J. SEAVER PAGE,

Commissioners.

CORPORATION NOTICE.

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

List 1762, No. 1. Regulating and grading, setting curb and flagging in Eighty-first street, from the Boulevard to Riverside Drive.

List 1839, No. 2. Regulating and grading, setting curb and flagging One Hundred and Fifty-third street, from Tenth avenue to the Boulevard.

List 1924, No. 3. Sewer in Lexington avenue, between Eighty-fifth and Eighty-sixth streets.

List 1934, No. 4. Sewer in Avenue A, between Ninety-second street and Harlem river.

List 1949, No. 5. Sewer in Ninety-second street, between Avenue A and First avenue.

The limit embraced by such assessments includes all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land situated on—

No. 1. Both sides of Eighty-first street, from the Boulevard to Riverside Drive, and to the extent of one-half the block at the intersection of Eleventh avenue.

No. 2. Both sides of One Hundred and Fifty-third street, from Tenth avenue to the Boulevard.

No. 3. Both sides of Lexington avenue, between Eighty-fifth and Eighty-sixth streets.

No. 4. East side of First avenue and west side of Avenue A, between Ninety-second and Ninety-third streets; also, south side of Ninety-third street, between Avenue A and First avenue.

JURORS

NOTICE
IN RELATION TO JURORS FOR STATE
COURTS.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF JURORS,
NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE,
NEW YORK, June 1, 1883.

APPLICATIONS FOR EXEMPTIONS WILL BE heard here, from 10 to 3 daily, from all persons hitherto liable or recently serving who have become exempt, and all needed information will be given.

Those who have not answered as to their liability, or proved permanent exemption, will receive a "jury enrollment notice," requiring them to appear before me this year. Whether liable or not, such notices must be answered (in person, if possible, and at this office only) under severe penalties. If exempt, the party must bring proof of exemption; if liable, he must also answer in person, giving full and correct name, residence, etc., etc. No attention paid to letters.

Persons "enrolled" as liable must serve when called or pay their fines. No mere excuse will be allowed or interference permitted. The fines if unpaid will be entered as judgments upon the property of the delinquents.

All good citizens will aid the course of justice, and secure reliable and respectable juries, and equalize their duty by serving promptly when summoned, allowing their clerks or subordinates to serve, reporting to me any attempt at bribery or evasion, and suggesting names for enrollment. Persons between sixty and seventy years of age, summer absentees, persons temporarily ill, and United States and District Court jurors are not exempt.

Every man must attend to his own notice. It is a misdemeanor to give any jury paper to another to answer. It is also punishable by fine or imprisonment to give or receive any present or bribe, directly or indirectly, in relation to a jury service, or to withhold any paper or make any false statement, and every case will be fully prosecuted.

GEORGE CAULFIELD,
Commissioner of Jurors,
Room 17, New County Court-house

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 31 CHAMBERS ST.,
NEW YORK, Dec. 29, 1884.

NOTICE OF SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION.

ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 10, 1885, AT 12 o'clock M., the Department of Public Works of the City of New York, under the direction of George W. Birdsall, Chief Engineer of the Croton Aqueduct, will sell at public auction, on the premises, the following described buildings, etc., now standing within the flow line of the new Kensico Reservoir, situated on the Bronx river, in the towns of Northdale and Mount Pleasant, Westchester County, New York, viz.:

AT THE HATFIELD DAVIS PLACE.

Lot No. 1. Two-story frame house, 30 x 26.5, with wing, 26 x 18, and two extensions, 32 x 13 and 23 x 11.
Lot No. 2. Wagon and grain house, 31 x 18.5.
Lot No. 3. Wood house, 30.5 x 20.
Lot No. 4. Barn, 46 x 27.5; stable, 60.5 x 15.5; chicken coop, 16.5 x 16—all connected.
Lot No. 5. Barn, 27 x 16.
Lot No. 6. Barn, 69.5 x 15.5.
Lot No. 7. Summer kitchen, 8.5 x 7.5.
Lot No. 8. Well house, 5 x 3.5; also one bay horse.

AT THE ANDREW LESTER PLACE.

Lot No. 9. Barn, 25 x 20.
Lot No. 10. Barn, 33 x 21.
Lot No. 11. Wood house, 25.5 x 16.
Lot No. 12. Ice house, 15 x 15.

AT THE WARREN TOMPKINS PLACE.

Lot No. 13. Grist mill, 45 x 25.5, with machinery and fixtures, viz.: an 18-foot overshot wheel, 67 feet of race-way, three run of stone, three bolts, etc., etc.
Lot No. 14. Corn crib, 18 x 12.
Lot No. 15. Horse shed, 30 x 10.
Lot No. 16. Two-story frame house, 24.5 x 20, with wing, 30 x 12.
Lot No. 17. Well house, 4 x 4.
Lot No. 18. Barn, 34 x 25, with extension 13 x 9.

AT THE SAMUEL K. STOUTENBERG PLACE.

Lot No. 19. Two-story frame house, 34 x 25.
Lot No. 20. Shoe shop, 13 x 13.
Lot No. 21. Barn, 17.5 x 12.

AT THE ELIJAH PURDY PLACE.

Lot No. 22. Two-story frame house, 44.5 x 29, with wing, 15 x 14.
Lot No. 23. Wash house, 11 x 9.
Lot No. 24. Shed, 25 x 16.5.
Lot No. 25. Well house, 7 x 4.
Lot No. 26. Chicken coop, 11 x 6.

TERMS OF SALE.

The consideration that the Department of Public Works shall receive for the foregoing buildings will be—
First. The removal of every part of the building excepting the stone foundation, on or before the 1st of March, 1885, and
Second. The sum paid in money on the day of sale.

If any part of any building is left on the Reservoir grounds on and after 2d of March, 1885, the purchaser shall forfeit all right and title to the building, or part of building so left, and also the money part of the consideration paid at the time of the sale; and the Department of Public Works may, at any time on or after the 2d of March, 1885, cause said building or part of building to be removed and disposed of at the expense of the party to whom the above conditioned sale, as described, may be made. The total amount of bid must be paid at the time of the sale.

HUBERT O. THOMPSON,
Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
No. 31 CHAMBERS STREET,
NEW YORK, Nov. 1, 1884.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO property-owners of the City of New York that, by the New York City Consolidated Act of 1882, among other matters relating to Croton water rates and affecting all properties liable for Croton water charges, is embraced the following, in "Title 2, Duties and Powers of the Department of Public Works as to Procuring and Distributing Water":

§ 350. The Commissioner of Public Works shall, from time to time, establish scales of rents. * * * * *

Such rents shall be collected from the owners or occupants of all such buildings, respectively, which shall be situated upon lots adjoining any street or avenue in said city in which the distributing water-pipes are or may be laid, and from which they can be supplied with water, said rents shall become a charge and lien upon such houses and lots, respectively, as provided by law.

It becomes my duty to state that on and after the first day of April, 1885, all extra charges, such as steam-engines, bakeries, barbers, bathing-tubs, boarding-houses, boarding-schools, building purposes, horses, horse-troughs, hotels, porter-houses, taverns, etc., printing offices, stone cutting or dressing, slaughter-houses, dyeing, water-closets and urinals, laundries, restaurants, soda fountains, extra families, oyster and coffee saloons, water by meter measurement, meters and meter setting, and all other purposes for which the use of Croton water is chargeable according to law, are liens, and unless paid on or before the 30th day of April next must be returned to the Clerk of Arrears, with the amount due on each lot.

HUBERT O. THOMPSON,
Commissioner of Public Works.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

COMMISSIONERS OF APPRAISAL OF REAL ESTATE
TO BE TAKEN FOR THE NEW
AQUEDUCT WITHIN THE COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

EVERY OWNER OR PERSON IN ANY WAY interested in any real estate between the Harlem river and the northern boundary of the City and County of New York, intended to be taken or entered upon and used and occupied for the purposes of the new Aqueduct; also any owner or person interested in any real estate contiguous thereto, and which may be affected by the construction and maintenance of said aqueduct, or of any of the works connected therewith, is hereby required to present his claim to the Commissioners of Appraisal appointed for the purpose of appraising such lands and easements, or ascertaining such damages, at the offices of said Commissioners, Room 803, in the Mutual Life Insurance Building, No. 32 Nassau street, in the City of New York.

All said claims may be filed on and after the first day of October, 1884. The maps showing the location of the Aqueduct, and the lands and interests to be acquired will be on file at the said offices on and after that date.

E. ELLERY ANDERSON,
HENRY F. SPAULDING,
ROBERT MURRAY,
Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS,
117 AND 119 DUANE STREET,
NEW YORK CITY.

NOTICE TO MARINERS IN THE PORT
OF NEW YORK, PILOTS, AND ALL
OTHERS TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT THIS DEPARTMENT has placed off the Battery and south of Pier, new 1, North river, two wooden floats or buoys, cubical in shape, six feet on each side, painted black, and anchored on a line bearing S. 74° E. east from southwest corner of Pier, new 1, North river, the first float being anchored about 209 feet and the second about 335 feet distant therefrom.

By order of the Board. JOHN T. CUMING,
Secretary.

SUPREME COURT.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Works for and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of One Hundred and Forty-second street, between Boulevard and Tenth avenue, 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 28th day of January, 1885, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said 28th day of January, 1885, and that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days at 2 o'clock, P. M.

Second—That the abstract of 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 29th day of January, 1885.

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, are bounded and described as follows: northerly by the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Forty-second street and One Hundred and Forty-third street; easterly by the westerly line or side of Tenth avenue; southerly by the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Forty-first street and One Hundred and Forty-second street; and westerly by the easterly line or side of the Boulevard, excepting therefrom all the streets and avenues within said area.

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 at the Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 13th day of February, 1885, 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 16, 1884.
HAROLD MORGAN SMITH,
E. HOGAN,
JOHN WHALEN,
Commissioners.

ARTHUR BERRY, Clerk.
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, known as Sedgwick avenue, although not yet named by proper authority (and laid out as a street of the first class), from Boston avenue to Van Courtlandt avenue, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of 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 27th day of December, 1884, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said 27th day of December, 1884, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days at three 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 29th day of December, 1884.

Third—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: Commencing at a point on the westerly side of Sedgwick avenue, distant about 1,500 feet southerly from the intersection of Sedgwick and Boston avenues; running thence westerly in a line at right angles, or nearly so, with Sedgwick avenue about six hundred feet; thence northerly and easterly in a line parallel, or nearly so, with Sedgwick avenue, and distant about six hundred feet therefrom to the westerly side of Van Courtlandt avenue; thence southerly along Van Courtlandt avenue to a point distant about six hundred feet southerly from Sedgwick avenue; thence west-

erly and southerly in a line parallel, or nearly so, with Sedgwick avenue, and about six hundred feet therefrom to a point which would be intersected by a line drawn in continuation of the first course hereinabove mentioned; thence westerly in a straight line to the point or place of beginning, as the said area of assessment is more fully and particularly shown upon the benefit map in this proceeding, filed as above mentioned.

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 at the Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 16th day of January, 1885, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, November 15, 1884.

HENRY M. WHITEHEAD,
WILLIAM H. BARKER,
JOHN D. OTTIVELL,
Commissioners.

ARTHUR BERRY, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the widening of Gansevoort street, from Washington street to the intersection of Gansevoort and West Thirteenth streets, and West Thirteenth street, from Eighth avenue to the intersection of Gansevoort and West Thirteenth streets, in the City of New York, as widened by the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of said city.

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 22d day of December, 1884, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said 22d day of December, 1884, and for that purpose will 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 22d day of December, 1884.

Third—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All those lots, blocks, pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which, taken together, are bounded and described as follows: Northerly by the southerly side of Seventeenth street; easterly by the westerly side of Seventh avenue; southerly by the northerly side of West Eleventh street, and westerly by the easterly side of Thirteenth avenue and Eleventh avenue, excepting therefrom all the streets and avenues within said area.

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 at the Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 6th day of January, 1885, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, November 8, 1884.

ELLIOT SANDFORD,
JOHN BOYD,
BERNARD CASSELY,
Commissioners.

ARTHUR BERRY, Clerk.

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 the opening of Rider avenue, from East One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street to East One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street, in the City of New York.

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

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 22d day of December, 1884, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said 22d day of December, 1884, 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 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 23d day of December, 1884.

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 Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: Beginning at a point in the northerly line or side of One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, distant about one hundred and one and 1/16 feet (101.37') westerly from the intersection of the northerly line or side of One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street with the westerly line or side of Third avenue; running thence northerly in a line nearly parallel with the westerly line or side of Third avenue to the southerly line or side of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street; thence running westerly along the southerly line or side of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street to the easterly side of the Mott Haven canal; running thence southerly parallel with Rider avenue and distant about one hundred feet (100' 00") westerly therefrom to the northerly line or side of One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street; thence still southerly in a straight line in continuation of the last mentioned course to a point distant about one hundred feet (100' 00") southerly from the southerly line or side of One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street; thence easterly in a line nearly parallel with the southerly line or side of One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street to a point distant one hundred and 1/16 feet (100.37') westerly from the westerly line or side of Third avenue; thence northerly in a line parallel with the westerly line of Third avenue to the southerly line or side of One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, and thence still northerly to the point or place of beginning, as the same is shown upon the Benefit Map filed as aforesaid. Excepting therefrom all the streets and avenues within said area.

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 at the Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the ninth day of January, 1885, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, November 8, 1884.

WILLIAM H. BARKER,
JOHN WHALEN,
WM. V. I. MERCER,
Commissioners.

ARTHUR BERRY, Clerk.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

CITY OF NEW YORK,
FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
December 23, 1884.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 916 OF THE "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882," the Comptroller of the City of New York hereby gives public notice to all persons, owners of property affected by the following assessment lists, viz.:

One Hundred and Eighteenth street regulating, grading, setting curb and flagging, from Sixth to Seventh avenue.

One Hundred and Nineteenth street regulating, grading, setting curb and flagging, from Sixth to Seventh avenue.

One Hundred and Twentieth street regulating, grading, setting curb and flagging, between Sixth and Seventh avenues.

Ninety-seventh street paving, from Second to Third avenue, with granite blocks.

One Hundred and Thirtieth street paving, from Third to Fourth avenue, with trap-blocks.

Lexington avenue paving, from Seventy-ninth to Eighty-fifth street, with Belgian or trap-block pavement.

Thompson street sewer, between West Third and West Fourth streets.

Broadway sewer, east side, between Thirty-second and Thirty-third streets.

Lexington avenue sewer, between Ninety-first and Ninety-second streets.

Tenth avenue sewer, east side, between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth streets.

Twenty-fourth, Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth streets sewers, between Eleventh and Thirteenth avenues, and in Thirteenth avenue, between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-seventh streets, with alterations and improvements to existing sewers.

One Hundred and Forty-first street sewer, between Alexander and Willis avenues, with branches in Willis and Alexander avenues, between One Hundred and Fortieth and One Hundred and Forty-first streets.

Fencing vacant lots on block bounded by Eighth and Ninth avenues, Ninety-ninth and One Hundredth streets,—which were confirmed by the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments, December 18, 1884, 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 February 25, 1885, will be exempt from interest as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from the date of entry in the Record of Titles of Assessments in said Bureau to the date of payment.

EDWARD V. LOEW,
Comptroller.

NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF SALE
OF LANDS AND TENEMENTS FOR
UNPAID TAXES AND CROTON WATER
RENTS IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

PURSUANT TO SECTION 928 OF THE NEW York City Consolidation Act of 1882, the Comptroller of the City of New York hereby gives PUBLIC NOTICE that the sale at public auction of lands and tenements in said city for unpaid taxes levied in the year 1880, and Croton Water Rents laid for the year 1879, and now remaining due and unpaid, which sale is advertised to be held at the County Court-house, in the City Hall Park, in the City of New York, on Monday, December 22, 1884, at 12 o'clock noon, has been and is hereby postponed by him until Monday, May 11, 1885, to be held on that day at the same hour and place.

A pamphlet containing a detailed statement of the property advertised for sale may be obtained at the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents.

EDWARD V. LOEW,
Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, Dec. 20, 1884.

NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF SALE
OF LANDS AND TENEMENTS FOR
UNPAID ASSESSMENTS FOR LOCAL
IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CITY OF
NEW YORK.

PURSUANT TO SECTION 928 OF THE NEW York City Consolidation Act of 1882, the Comptroller of the City of New York hereby gives PUBLIC NOTICE that the sale at public auction of lands and tenements in said City for unpaid assessments laid and confirmed during the year 1879 and prior thereto, for local improvements, which sale is advertised to be held at the County Court-house, in the City Hall Park, in the City of New York, on Monday, November 24, 1884, at 12 o'clock noon, has been and is hereby postponed by him until Monday, May 25, 1885, to be held on that day at the same hour and place.

A pamphlet containing a detailed statement of the property advertised for sale may be obtained at the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents.

S. HASTINGS GRANT,
Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, Nov. 15, 1884.

REAL ESTATE RECORDS.

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

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

EDWARD V. LOEW,
Comptroller.