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LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

STATED MEETING.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

TUESDAY, March 13, 1888,
1 o'clock P. M.

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

PRESENT :

Hon. George H. Forster, President :

ALDERMEN

Daniel E. Dowling,	James A. Cowie,	James J. Mooney,
Redmond J. Barry,	Patrick Divver,	Joseph Murray,
Philip B. Benjamin,	James M. Fitzsimons,	William P. Rinckhoff,
James F. Butler,	Patrick McCarthy,	Richard J. Sullivan,
Alfred R. Conkling,	James G. McMurray,	Henry Von Minden,
	John J. Martin,	William H. Walker.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

INVITATIONS.

By Alderman Divver—

An invitation was received from the officers of the Convention of Irish Societies to review the parade and attend festivities at Jones' Wood, on the 17th instant.

Which was accepted.

REPORTS.

(G. O. 162.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of fencing vacant lots on block bounded by Ninety-first and Ninety-second streets, Eighth and Ninth avenues, respectfully

REPORT :

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed improvement to be necessary. They therefore recommend that the said resolution and ordinance be adopted.

Resolved, That the vacant lots in block bounded by Ninety-first and Ninety-second streets, Eighth to Ninth avenue, be fenced in, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works ; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

DANIEL E. DOWLING,	} Committee on Public Works.
PATRICK DIVVER,	
REDMOND J. BARRY,	
PHILIP B. BENJAMIN,	
JOSEPH MURRAY,	

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 163.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of fencing the vacant lots on block bounded by Fifth and Lenox avenues, One Hundred and Twenty-eighth and One Hundred and Twenty-ninth streets, respectfully

REPORT :

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed improvement to be necessary. They therefore recommend that the said resolution and ordinance be adopted.

Resolved, That the vacant lots on the block bounded by Fifth and Lenox avenues, One Hundred and Twenty-eighth and One Hundred and Twenty-ninth streets, be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works ; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

DANIEL E. DOWLING,	} Committee on Public Works.
PATRICK DIVVER,	
REDMOND J. BARRY,	
PHILIP B. BENJAMIN,	
JOSEPH MURRAY,	

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 164.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of fencing the vacant lots on block bounded by One Hundred and Seventh and One Hundred and Eighth streets, Tenth avenue and the Boulevard, respectfully

REPORT :

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed improvement to be necessary. They therefore recommend that the said resolution and ordinance be adopted.

Resolved, That the vacant lots in block bounded by One Hundred and Seventh and One Hundred and Eighth streets, Tenth avenue to Boulevard, be fenced in, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works ; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

DANIEL E. DOWLING,	} Committee on Public Works.
PATRICK DIVVER,	
REDMOND J. BARRY,	
PHILIP B. BENJAMIN,	
JOSEPH MURRAY,	

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 165.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of fencing the vacant lots on block bounded by Ninetieth and Ninety-first streets, Eighth and Ninth avenues, respectfully

REPORT :

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed improvement to be necessary. They therefore recommend that the said resolution and ordinance be adopted.

Resolved, That the vacant lots bounded by Ninetieth and Ninety-first streets, and Eighth and Ninth avenues, be fenced in, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works ; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

DANIEL E. DOWLING,	} Committee on Public Works.
PATRICK DIVVER,	
REDMOND J. BARRY,	
PHILIP B. BENJAMIN,	
JOSEPH MURRAY,	

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 166.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of regulating, grading, etc., One Hundred and Eighth street, from Ninth avenue to the Boulevard, respectfully

REPORT :

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed improvement to be necessary. They therefore recommend that the said resolution and ordinance be adopted.

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

DANIEL E. DOWLING,	} Committee on Public Works.
PATRICK DIVVER,	
REDMOND J. BARRY,	
PHILIP B. BENJAMIN,	
JOSEPH MURRAY,	

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 167.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of regulating, grading, etc., Eighty-seventh street, from West End avenue to Riverside Drive, respectfully

REPORT :

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed improvement to be necessary. They therefore recommend that the said resolution and ordinance be adopted.

Resolved, That Eighty-seventh street, from West End avenue to the Riverside Drive, be regulated and graded, curb-stones set and reset, and flagging laid and relaid, where not already done, so as to conform to the change of grade adopted by the Commissioner of Public Works ; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

DANIEL E. DOWLING,	} Committee on Public Works.
PATRICK DIVVER,	
REDMOND J. BARRY,	
PHILIP B. BENJAMIN,	
JOSEPH MURRAY,	

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 168.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of regulating, grading, etc., One Hundred and Eighteenth street, from Seventh to Eighth avenue, respectfully

REPORT :

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed improvement to be necessary. They therefore recommend that the said resolution and ordinance be adopted.

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

DANIEL E. DOWLING,	} Committee on Public Works.
REDMOND J. BARRY,	
PHILIP B. BENJAMIN,	
JOSEPH MURRAY,	

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 169.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of regulating, grading, etc., Twelfth avenue, from One Hundred and Thirty-third to One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, respectfully

REPORT :

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed improvement to be necessary. They therefore recommend that the said resolution and ordinance be adopted.

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

DANIEL E. DOWLING,	} Committee on Public Works.
PATRICK DIVVER,	
REDMOND J. BARRY,	
PHILIP B. BENJAMIN,	
JOSEPH MURRAY,	

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 170.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of placing an improved iron drinking-fountain in front of No. 487 Canal street, respectfully

REPORT :

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed improvement to be necessary. They therefore recommend that the said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That an improved iron drinking-fountain (for man and beast) be placed on the sidewalk, near the curb, in front of No. 487 Canal street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

DANIEL E. DOWLING,	} Committee on Public Works.
PATRICK DIVVER,	
REDMOND J. BARRY,	
PHILIP B. BENJAMIN,	
JOSEPH MURRAY,	

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 171.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of laying Croton mains in One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, from Madison to Fifth avenue, and in Madison avenue, from One Hundred and Thirty-first to One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street, respectfully

REPORT :

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed improvement to be necessary. They therefore recommend that the said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That Croton-mains be laid in One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, from Madison avenue to Fifth avenue, and through Madison avenue, from One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street to One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street, pursuant to section 356 of the New York City Consolidation Act.

DANIEL E. DOWLING,	} Committee on Public Works.
PATRICK DIVVER,	
REDMOND J. BARRY,	
PHILIP B. BENJAMIN,	
JOSEPH MURRAY,	

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 172.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of permitting the People's Cold Storage and Warehouse Company to connect their premises Nos. 231 to 237 East Forty-seventh street, with the East river by an iron pipe, respectfully

REPORT :

That, having examined the subject, they see no reason why the request asked for should not be granted. They therefore recommend that the said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the People's Cold Storage and Warehouse Company to connect its premises, No. 231 to No. 237 East Forty-seventh street, by a six-inch iron pipe with the waters of the East river, at the foot of Forty-seventh street, for the purpose of supplying salt water to be used on said premises in condensers and in case of fire, provided the said People's Cold Storage and Warehouse Company shall stipulate with the Commissioner of Public Works to save the city harmless from loss or damage to any gas or water pipe or sewer or from any other cause that may occur during the progress or subsequent to the laying of such pipe that may be caused by the exercise of the privilege hereby given, the work to be done at the expense of the company, under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

DANIEL E. DOWLING, } Committee
PATRICK DIVVER, } on
REDMOND J. BARRY, } Public Works.
PHILIP B. BENJAMIN, }
JOSEPH MURRAY, }

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 173.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of permitting John J. Bowes to extend vault in front of Nos. 231 and 233 West Twenty-ninth street, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed extension of the vault will in no way interfere with the free use of the street, and that the public interests are properly protected by the provisions of the resolution. They therefore recommend that the said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to John J. Bowes to extend a vault seven feet outside of the northerly curb in front of Nos. 231 and 233 West Twenty-ninth street, as shown by accompanying diagram, upon payment of the usual fee, provided the work be done in a durable and substantial manner, and that the said John J. Bowes shall stipulate with the Commissioner of Public Works to save the city harmless from any loss or damage that may occur in consequence of the building or extension of said vault during the progress of or subsequent to the completion thereof, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

DANIEL E. DOWLING, } Committee
PATRICK DIVVER, } on
REDMOND J. BARRY, } Public Works.
PHILIP B. BENJAMIN, }
JOSEPH MURRAY, }

Which was laid over.

The Committee on Railroads, to whom was recommended a former report, recommending the adoption of a resolution fixing time for hearing an application of the New York and Harlem Railroad Company for consent of the Common Council to use electricity as a motor on its city line, instead of horses, respectfully

REPORT:

That the adoption of the resolution is but preliminary to the investigation, and is rendered necessary by section 12 of chapter 252, Laws of 1884, which provides that "any street surface railway company may in any case operate any portion of its road by animal or horse power, or by any power other than locomotive steam power which may be consented to by the local authorities and by a majority of the property-owners, obtained in accordance with sections three and four of this act."

Section 3 provides for obtaining the consent of the owners of one-half in value of the property-owners, in writing; requires that the consents be properly acknowledged, and defines who are the "local authorities," whose consent is also required. On this point the law is as follows: "In any city, the Common Council, acting subject to the power now possessed by the Mayor to veto ordinances, and in any village, the board of trustees shall be the local authorities, to give all the consents required under this act in respect of any such city or village; provided that where, in any city, the 'exclusive' control of any street, road, highway, avenue or property which is to be used or occupied by any such company is, by law, vested in any local authority, other than the Common Council, the consent of the local authorities in whom such exclusive control is so vested, shall be also obtained."

Section 4, among other provisions, contains the following: "In incorporated cities before acting upon an application for their consent, the local authorities shall give public notice of such application, and of the time and place where such application will first be considered, by a notice thereof, to be published daily for at least fourteen days in two daily newspapers of said city, to be designated by the Mayor of the city."

In order, therefore, that the application of the New York and Harlem Railroad Company, for consent of the Common Council to use electricity as a motor on its city line, instead of horses, may be considered as required by the general railroad laws of 1884, the adoption of the resolution becomes a condition precedent. It is accordingly again respectfully submitted herewith for your adoption.

Resolved, That the 6th day of April, 1888, at 1 o'clock P. M., and Room No. 16 in the City Hall (the chamber of the Board of Aldermen), be and are hereby designated as the time and place when and where the application of the New York and Harlem Railroad Company, for consent of the Common Council to use electric power instead of horses on its city line, as mentioned in the petition for such consent, will be first considered, and that public notice be given by the Clerk of this Board, by publishing the same for fourteen days consecutively, excluding Sundays, in two newspapers published in this city, to be designated thereby for his Honor the Mayor, according to the provisions of chapter 252 of the Laws of 1884, such advertising to be at the expense of the petitioner.

JAMES M. FITZSIMONS, } Committee
WILLIAM P. RINCKHOFF, } on
JOSEPH MURRAY, } Railroads.
ALFRED R. CONKLING, }

The President put the question whether the Board would agree to accept the report and adopt said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS AND CORPORATION OFFICERS.

(G. O. 174.)

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks:

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE, NOS. 49 AND 51 CHAMBERS STREET,
March 9, 1888.

Hon. GEORGE H. FORSTER, President of the Board of Aldermen:

SIR—At a meeting of the Board governing this Department, held on the 21st of February, the following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be respectfully requested to pass a resolution authorizing this Department to contract for the construction of exhibition cases for the Metropolitan Museum of Art without public letting, at an expense not to exceed \$73,700.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary Department of Public Parks.

By the President—

Resolved, That the Department of Public Parks be and hereby is authorized to contract for the construction of exhibition cases and pedestals for the Metropolitan Museum of Art without public letting, at an expense not to exceed \$73,700 (seventy-three thousand seven hundred dollars).

Which was laid over.

MESSAGES FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, March 5, 1888.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted February 28, 1888, that One Hundred and Fourteenth street, from Eighth to New York avenue, be regulated and graded, etc. The Commissioner of Public Works reports that this street, between the points named in the resolution, is now under contract for regulating and grading, the work being done under an ordinance of the Common Council, approved by the Mayor April 10, 1887. The present ordinance is therefore unnecessary.

ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor.

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

Which was laid over, ordered to be printed in the minutes and published in full in the CITY RECORD.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, March 9, 1888.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted February 28, 1888, permitting Emanuel Scheyer to hang a sign, two feet wide and ten feet long, above the sidewalk in front of No. 280 Bowery. The Commissioner of Public Works reports that this sign is already placed in front of these premises; that it is a large, heavy wooden structure, and is a source of danger to pedestrians, some of whom would probably be injured if the sign should fall. Signs of this character should not be placed above the sidewalks of this city, and it is not within the power of the Common Council to authorize their erection.

ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Emanuel Scheyer to hang up sign two feet wide, ten feet long, to hang and remain over eight feet above the sidewalk and not interfere with any pedestrian, same to be put up solid and strongly secured, at his own expense, in front of premises No. 280 Bowery, outside of stoop-line.

Which was laid over, ordered to be printed in the minutes and published in full in the CITY RECORD.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, March 9, 1888.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted February 28, 1888, that the vacant lots on the east side of Willis avenue, between One Hundred and Thirty-fourth and One Hundred and Thirty-fifth streets, and extending easterly about one hundred feet on said streets, be fenced in. The President of the Department of Public Parks reports that such fencing is necessary, but that the resolution should be amended as there is more fencing required on One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street than on One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street. It is recommended, therefore, that the resolution should be amended so as to read as follows:

"Resolved, That the vacant lots on the east side of Willis avenue, between One Hundred and Thirty-fourth and One Hundred and Thirty-fifth streets, extending easterly about one hundred feet on the north side of One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street and about one hundred and fifty feet on the south side of One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted."

As thus amended the resolution will receive my approval.

ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor.

Resolved, That the vacant lots on the east side of Willis avenue, between One Hundred and Thirty-fourth and One Hundred and Thirty-fifth streets, and extending easterly about one hundred feet on said streets, be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over, ordered to be printed in the minutes and published in full in the CITY RECORD.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, March 9, 1888.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted February 28, 1888, giving permission to Charles Rose to place and keep a post surmounted by an emblematic sign on the sidewalk, near the curb, in front of No. 148 West Thirtieth street.

The Commissioner of Public Works reports that the placing of the post at the proposed location would prove a serious obstruction to the free use of the sidewalk by pedestrians. The courts have decided that the Common Council has no power to authorize incumbrances in the public streets.

ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Charles Rose to place and keep a post surmounted by an emblematic sign (horseshoe) on the sidewalk, near the curb, in front of No. 148 West Thirtieth street, provided such post and sign shall not exceed eighteen feet in height, nor the post more than nine inches in diameter; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was laid over, ordered to be printed in the minutes and published in full in the CITY RECORD.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, March 9, 1888.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted February 28, 1888, permitting Emanuel Scheyer to place a showcase in front of his premises, No. 280 Bowery, within the stoop-line. The Commissioner of Public Works reports that the placing of a showcase at this place would interfere with the free use of the sidewalk by pedestrians. The courts have decided that the placing of such showcases on the sidewalk is illegal.

ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Emanuel Scheyer to place a showcase in front of his premises, No. 280 Bowery, within the stoop-line, about two feet wide, six feet high and four feet long, to be used to exhibit hats and other merchandise, same to be placed there at his own expense, same to be removed every evening and not on Sunday.

Which was laid over, ordered to be printed in the minutes and published in full in the CITY RECORD.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, March 9, 1888.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted February 28, 1888, permitting Lambert Brothers to place and keep a post, surmounted by a clock, on the sidewalk, near the curb, in front of No. 968 Third avenue, by removing the same from Third avenue, between Fifty-fourth and Fifty-fifth streets. The Commissioner of Public Works reports that the placing of the post at the proposed location would be an obstruction to the free use of the sidewalk by pedestrians.

ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Lambert Brothers to place and keep a post surmounted by an ornamental sign (clock) on the sidewalk, near the curb, in front of No. 968 Third avenue, by removing the same from Third avenue, between Fifty-fourth and Fifty-fifth streets, provided such post shall not be an obstruction to the free use of the street by the public, nor exceed nine feet high by six inches in diameter; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was laid over, ordered to be printed in the minutes and published in full in the CITY RECORD.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, March 9, 1888.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted February 28, 1888, permitting William S. Bagg to retain the sign now in front of No. 39 West Thirty-first street, on the area railing, within the stoop-line, for the reason that your Honorable Body has no power to authorize an obstruction in the streets.

ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to William S. Bagg to retain the sign, now in front of his premises, No. 39 West Thirty-first street, on the area railing and within the stoop-line; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was laid over, ordered to be printed in the minutes and published in full in the CITY RECORD.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, March 9, 1888.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted February 28, 1888, that One Hundred and Sixty-first street, between the westerly curb-line of Third avenue and the easterly curb-line of Jerome avenue, be regulated and graded, etc. The Commissioners of the Park Department report that the construction of such a bridge as the resolution provides for would cut off traffic on Washington avenue, which it is important should be kept open.

One Hundred and Sixty-first street and Washington avenue here intersect the line of the Port Morris Branch of the Harlem Railroad in such a manner as to render it proper to provide for carrying both the street and avenue over the railroad at the same time, but from the nature of the case the work would be of an expensive character, and it is believed that, under the law, the railroad company is obliged to build the bridge. The manner of bridging the intersection is affected by the question of lowering the tracks of the branch railroad, which must eventually be done, but for which no plan has been agreed upon with the railroad company, the settlement of the lowering of the

main line having been taken up first, leaving for future consideration the subject of the branch. Upon the adjustment to be agreed upon will depend the ultimate establishment of the street grades, and until this is done it would be advisable to defer the grading, etc., of this part of One Hundred and Sixty-first street.

It has been suggested to me that the portion of One Hundred and Sixty-first street, between Elton and Gerard avenues, where the grades have been established, could be put under contract for grading, while the questions relating to the other portions are receiving attention, and the resolution might be so amended as to authorize such work to be done. Such a resolution will receive my approval.

ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor.

Resolved, That One Hundred and Sixty-first street, between the westerly curb-line of Third avenue and the easterly curb-line of Jerome avenue, be regulated and graded and culverts built; that curb-stones be set; that flag-stones four feet in width be laid along and on each sidewalk, and that crosswalks be laid, where not already across the roadway of each intersection of said street with each avenue and at the intersection of each avenue with said street, except where the said street crosses the New York and Harlem Railroad, at which point approaches shall be made to the existing bridge across said railroad, and that a bridge similar in style and construction to the bridge crossing the tracks of the Port Morris Branch of the New York and Harlem Railroad, at Third avenue, be built over the track of said branch railroad, at said One Hundred and Sixty-first street, and that half of the cost of constructing said bridge be assessed upon and borne by the New York and Harlem Railroad Company, under the direction of the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks; and that the accompanying ordinance thereof be adopted.

Which was laid over, ordered to be printed in the minutes, and published in full in the CITY RECORD.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, March 10, 1888.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted February 28, 1888, giving permission to A. H. King & Co. to remove the lamp-post and lamp now in front of No. 628 Broadway and reset the same in front of No. 629 Broadway.

The Commissioner of Public Works reports that the lamp is to be used merely as an advertising medium. If placed in such a crowded thoroughfare as Broadway, it would prove a serious obstruction to the free use of the sidewalk by pedestrians. The courts have decided that the Common Council has no power to authorize such incumbrances in the public streets.

ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to A. H. King & Co. to remove the lamp-post and lamp now in front of No. 628 Broadway, and reset the same in front of No. 629 Broadway, the work to be done and gas supplied at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was laid over, ordered to be printed in the minutes and published in full in the CITY RECORD.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, March 10, 1888.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted February 28, 1888, giving permission to S. E. Isaacson to place an ornamental glass lamp on the unused city lamp-post in front of No. 733 Broadway.

The Commissioner of Public Works reports that the proposed lamp is to be a large prismatic sign to be used as an advertising medium and is not a lamp to be used for street lighting purposes.

This lamp-post is the property of the city and in case of an interruption of the electric-light can be used for lighting purposes, and under no circumstances should the city property be used to advertise private business.

ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to S. E. Isaacson to place and keep an ornamental glass lamp on the unused city lamp-post now in front of his premises, No. 733 Broadway, provided that the work be done and gas supplied at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was laid over, ordered to be printed in the minutes and published in full in the CITY RECORD.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, March 10, 1888.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted February 28, 1888, giving permission to George Bryden to place and keep a stand for the sale of fruit inside the stoop-line in front of No. 18 Fulton street.

The Commissioner of Public Works reports that the persons signing the consent attached to the resolution are not the owners of the premises referred to. The law requires that the owner or owners of the premises shall consent thereto and in the absence of such consent I am compelled to disapprove the resolution.

ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to George Bryden to place and keep a stand for the sale of fruit inside the stoop-line, in front of No. 18 Fulton street, provided such stand shall not be an obstruction to the free use of the street by the public, nor exceed six feet long by four feet wide; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was laid over, ordered to be printed in the minutes and published in full in the CITY RECORD.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, March 10, 1888.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted February 28, 1888, giving permission to W. J. Abrams to place and keep a stand for the sale of newspapers, inside the stoop-line, in front of southwest corner of Eighth avenue and Twenty-second street.

The Commissioner of Public Works reports that the person whose name is signed to the consent attached to the resolution is not the owner of the premises referred to. The law requires that the owner or owners of the premises shall consent thereto, and in the absence of such consent I am compelled to disapprove the resolution.

ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to W. J. Abrams to place and keep a stand for the sale of newspapers, inside the stoop-line, in front of southwest corner of Eighth avenue and Twenty-second street, provided such stand shall not be an obstruction to the free use of the street by the public, nor exceed six feet long by four feet wide; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was laid over, ordered to be printed in the minutes and published in full in the CITY RECORD.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, March 10, 1888.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted February 28, 1888, giving permission to Thomas Burnett to place and keep a stand for the sale of newspapers, inside the stoop-line, in front of No. 258 West Twenty-second street, for the reason that while the resolution refers to No. 258 West Twenty-second street, the consents attached thereto refer to the premises No. 236 Eighth avenue.

ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Thomas Burnett to place and keep a stand for the sale of newspapers, inside the stoop-line, in front of No. 258 West Twenty-second street, northeast corner of Eighth avenue, provided such stand shall not be an obstruction to the free use of the street by the public, nor exceed six feet long by four feet wide; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was laid over, ordered to be printed in the minutes and published in full in the CITY RECORD.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, March 13, 1888.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return herewith, without my approval, a resolution declaring West street, as widened, to be a public street. The resolution in question recites that West street, from Canal street to Tenth street, has been widened, regulated and paved at the expense of the City of New York, and the said street, so widened, has been used by the public for many years; and it proposes that the street, so

widened, be declared to be an exterior street of the city, that the area or space so widened, regulated and paved shall be deemed to be a part of West street, and shall be maintained, repaired and cleaned as one of the public streets in said city; and that the ordinances now in force relating to streets shall apply thereto.

Section 955 of the Consolidation Act of 1882, as amended by chapter 17, Laws of 1884, provides that the Board of Street Opening and Improvement "shall keep full records of its proceedings, and shall have all the powers and authority as to laying out, widening, straightening, extending, altering and closing streets or avenues, or parts of streets or avenues in that part of the City of New York, south of Fifty-ninth street, which, on November 30, 1873, were in any manner otherwise authorized, conferred and vested, or which relate to altering the map or plan of said city."

The effect of this statute, therefore, was to deprive the Board of Aldermen of any jurisdiction it may have had to lay out, make or widen streets in this city within the limits defined by the act. It has, therefore, no power to pass the resolution under consideration.

The Court of Appeals has held in *Williams vs. The Mayor* (105 N. Y., 419, 436 and 437), in reference to this very street, that this power belongs to the Board of Street Opening and Improvement.

I have no option, therefore, but to return the resolution without my approval, for want of authority on the part of the Mayor and Aldermen to give legal effect to any such resolution.

ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor.

Whereas, West street, from Canal street to Tenth street, has been widened, regulated and paved at the expense of the City of New York, and the said street so widened has been used by the public for many years;

Resolved, That the street so widened be declared to be an exterior street of the city; that the area or space so widened, regulated and paved shall be deemed to be a part of West street, and shall be maintained, repaired and cleaned as one of the public streets in said city, and that the ordinances now in force relating to streets shall apply thereto.

Which was laid over, ordered to be printed in the minutes and published in full in the CITY RECORD.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, March 12, 1888.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

In accordance with my communication transmitted at the last meeting, I have now the honor to lay before you the draft of an act to provide for the construction, maintenance and operation of railroads for rapid transit in the cities of this State. This bill follows the general scheme which was recommended in my message to you on the subject of rapid transit, and has been prepared by the Counsel to the Corporation with careful reference to the limitations of the Constitution. If it shall be enacted by the Legislature, I have every reason to think that our citizens may be placed in the enjoyment of the inestimable blessings of rapid transit between the extremities of the city at a very early day.

ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor.

AN ACT to provide for the construction, maintenance and operation of railroads for rapid transit in cities of this State.

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

Section 1. Whenever and as often as it shall appear to the Mayor of any city in this State having according to the last census a population exceeding eight hundred thousand, that the interests of such city, and of its inhabitants require that additional means of rapid transit should be provided between different points within such city, said Mayor may notify the Comptroller, or other chief financial officer of such city, and the Commissioner of Public Works, or other chief executive officer having principal charge of the streets and avenues in said city to meet with said Mayor at a time and place to be specified in said notice; and at the time and place so specified the said Mayor and said other officers shall meet and organize a board to be known as the Board of Municipal Rapid Transit which shall consist of the Mayor and other municipal officers hereinbefore designated. If any or either of the said officers or the said Mayor shall fail, or neglect to attend at the time and place specified in said notice, the said Mayor may by a like notice specify and appoint another time and place for such meeting, and may continue to appoint times and places for meetings until all of said officers and said Mayor shall attend. The board herein provided for shall not be organized unless all the officers in this section mentioned, including the Mayor, be present.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of the board hereinbefore provided for, and it is hereby authorized and empowered to consider, devise and adopt a plan or plans for the construction, maintenance and operation of a railroad or railroads in, upon, over or under the streets, avenues, highways and public places of said city, and in, upon, over or under other lands within said city not included in any street, avenue, highway or public place, including stations, approaches, connections with other roads, whether existing or projected, and all other details necessary to form a complete plan, with proper provision for the speedy, safe and commodious transportation of the people using the same; and the said board in its discretion may include in said plans provision for subways or tunnels for sewers, gas and water pipes, electric wires, and other conductors proper to be placed under ground. Said board shall also so far as may be practicable estimate the probable cost of constructing the road or roads contemplated by and provided for in such plan or plans as said board may devise and determine upon, and also the manner in which and the terms upon which the equipment and running of said road or roads should be contracted for. Said board shall meet from time to time, and as often as may be necessary, and may employ such clerks, engineers, draughtsmen and other persons, and purchase such supplies and materials as shall be necessary for the performance of the duties in this act prescribed. The expenses incurred by said board shall be included in and deemed to be a part of the cost of constructing such road or roads as said board shall determine upon and cause to be constructed, and shall be met and paid out of the proceeds of the bonds hereinafter provided for. When the said board shall have completed and agreed upon a plan for any road, and shall have formulated its conclusions as to the manner and method in and by which said road should be equipped, maintained and operated, the said plans and conclusions shall be deposited in the office of the Commissioner of Public Works for public inspection for at least three weeks immediately preceding the time appointed for the public hearing thereon as hereinafter provided for, and the said board shall give notice by publication in at least four of the daily newspapers printed in said city that at a time and place to be fixed in said notice not less than three weeks after the first publication of said notice the said board will give a public hearing upon said plans and conclusions to persons desiring to be heard thereon, and the said board shall attend at the time and place fixed for said hearing and may adjourn and continue such hearing from time to time until such time as said board shall finally close said hearing, and upon the final closing of said hearing the said board shall proceed to reconsider their said plans and conclusions, and may change, alter and amend the same as in the judgment of said board the public interests may require, and upon the final adoption of said plans and conclusions by a concurrent vote of all the members of said board, the said plans and conclusions as finally adopted shall be signed by the members of said board and shall be filed in the office of said Commissioner of Public Works, and a copy thereof transmitted by said Mayor to the Common Council or other principal legislative body of said city.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of said Common Council or other principal legislative body upon receiving such copy of said plans and conclusions to appoint a day not less than one week nor more than ten days after the receipt thereof for the consideration of such plans and conclusions, and the said Common Council or other legislative body shall on the day so fixed proceed to the consideration thereof, and may adjourn and continue such consideration from time to time until a final vote shall be taken thereon as hereinafter provided, and may at any time or times before such final vote is taken recommend alterations in or amendments to, or modifications of such plans and conclusions, and such recommendation shall forthwith be submitted to the Board of Municipal Rapid Transit, which shall at once receive and consider such recommendation, and reject or approve the same in whole or in part, or suggest other alterations, amendments or modifications and promptly transmit a report of their action to the said Common Council or other legislative body. Within four weeks after the copy of said plans and conclusions adopted by the Board of Municipal Rapid Transit shall have first been received by said Common Council or other principal legislative body, a final vote shall be taken thereon by yeas and nays in the form of a vote upon a resolution approving said plans and conclusions as the same shall have been altered or amended with the approval of the Board of Municipal Rapid Transit as hereinbefore prescribed, and consenting to the construction of a road upon said plans. Upon the adoption of such resolution by the votes of a majority of all the members of said Common Council or other principal legislative body, the said plans and conclusions shall be deemed to have been finally adopted and consented to, and such consent shall be deemed to be the consent of the local authorities of said city, and of said city; provided that where in any city the exclusive control of any street, road, highway, avenue or property which is to be used or occupied by any railroad constructed under the provisions of this act, is by law vested in any local authority other than the Common Council of said city, the approval of the aforesaid plans and conclusions and the consent to the construction of a railroad thereunder shall be given by such local authority in the manner hereinbefore prescribed in case of approval and consent by the Common Council in place of such approval and consent by said Common Council and with like effect.

Sec. 4. Before the work of constructing any road or roads or any part thereof provided for in and by the plans aforesaid, shall be commenced, the consent of the owners of one-half in value of the property bounded on that portion of the street or highway in, upon, over or under which it is proposed to construct or operate such road or roads or any part thereof, shall be first obtained. For the purposes of this act the value of the property so bounded shall be ascertained and determined from the assessment roll of the city in which said property is situated, confirmed or completed last before the local authorities shall have given their consent as in the last section provided. The consent of said local authorities, given as in said last section provided, shall operate as the consent of said city as the owner of any property that such railroad may be constructed, maintained and oper-

ated in, upon, over, under or along any street, avenue, road, highway or public place by which said property so owned by said city is bounded, except that where such road shall run through any street or avenue bounded on one side by any public park or square the consent of one-half in value of the owners of property on the other side of said street or avenue, and opposite such park or square shall also be first obtained.

Sec. 5. In case the consent of property-owners required by any provision of this act cannot be obtained, the said city in its corporate name and by its Counsel to the Corporation, or other chief legal adviser, may apply to any General Term of the Supreme Court held in the judicial district in which said city is situated for the appointment of three commissioners to determine, after a hearing of all parties interested, whether such road or roads or any part thereof ought to be constructed and operated.

Sec. 6. Notice of such application shall be served personally upon each property-owner not having given his consent, by delivering the same to him or his agent or representative, as such owner, agent or representative appears upon such assessment roll of the city in which the property is situated; or by mailing the same, properly folded, to such property owner, agent or representative, at the post-office nearest his usual place of residence, with the postage paid thereon, at least ten days prior to such application. If the person on whom such service is to be made is unknown, or his residence is unknown, and cannot by reasonable diligence be ascertained, no service of such notice personally or by mail need be made. And said General Term of the Supreme Court to which such application is made, upon due proof of the service aforesaid shall appoint three disinterested persons who shall act as commissioners, and said commissioners within ten days after their appointment, shall cause public notice to be given of their first sitting, in the manner directed by said General Term, and may adjourn from time to time until all their business is completed. Vacancies may be filled by said General Term after such notice to persons interested as it may deem proper to be given, and the evidence taken before as well as after the vacancy shall be deemed to be properly before said commissioners. The said commissioners shall determine after such public hearing of all parties interested, whether such railroad ought to be constructed and operated, and shall make a report thereon, together with the evidence taken to said General Term, and their determination that such road ought to be constructed and operated, confirmed by said Court shall be taken in lieu of the consent of the property owners before mentioned. Such report shall be made within sixty days after the appointment of said commissioners unless the said court or a judge thereof shall, for good cause shown, extend such time.

Sec. 7. When the aforesaid plan or plans shall have been adopted as hereinbefore provided and the construction and operation of said railroad consented to as hereinbefore provided by the local authorities of said city, and by the said property owners, or by the said General Term of the Supreme Court, the said road shall be constructed by the said city in accordance with said plans as hereinbefore provided. The said Board of Municipal Rapid Transit, for and in behalf of said city, shall enter into a contract with any person, firm or corporation which in the opinion of said Board shall be best qualified to fulfill and carry out said contract for the construction of said road or roads, or such part or parts thereof as in the opinion of said Board should then presently be constructed, upon the plans and in accordance with the conclusions hereinbefore mentioned and referred to for such sum or sums to be raised and paid out of the treasury of said city as hereinbefore provided, and on such terms and conditions not inconsistent with the aforesaid plans and conclusions, as said Board shall determine to be best for the public interests, and said Board may contract for the construction of the whole road or all the roads provided for by the aforesaid plans in a single contract, or may, by separate contracts, executed from time to time, provide for the construction of parts of said road or roads as the necessities of said city, and the increase of its population may, in the judgment of said Board, require. Such contract shall also provide that the person, firm or corporation so contracting to construct said road or roads, shall at his or its own cost and expense, equip, maintain and operate said roads for a term of years to be specified in said contract, and upon such terms and conditions as to the rates of fare to be charged, and the character of service to be furnished as said Board shall deem to be best suited to the public interests, and subject to such public supervision, and to such conditions, regulations and requirements as may be determined upon by said Board of Municipal Rapid Transit. Such contract shall further provide that the said person, firm or corporation so contracting to construct, maintain and operate said road shall annually pay into the treasury of said city, as rental for the use of said road a sum to be specified in said agreement which shall not be less than the annual interest upon the bonds to be issued by said city for the construction of said road as hereinbefore provided, and a sum in addition to said interest equal to two per centum per annum upon the whole amount of said bonds. The aforesaid annual rental shall be paid at such times during each year as said Board shall require, and shall be applied first to the payment of the interest on said bonds as the same shall accrue and fall due, and the remainder of said rental not required for the payment of said interest shall be paid into the Sinking Fund for the payment of the city debt if there shall be such Sinking Fund in said city, and if there be none such then said balance of said rental shall be securely invested, and shall, with the annual accretions of interest thereon constitute a Sinking Fund for the payment and redemption at maturity of the bonds issued as hereinbefore provided.

The person, firm or corporation so contracting for the construction, equipment, maintenance and operation of said road shall give a bond to said city in such an amount as said Board of Municipal Rapid Transit shall require, and with sureties to be approved by said Board who shall justify in the aggregate in double the amount of said bond. Said bond shall be a continuing security and shall provide for the prompt payment by said contracting person, firm or corporation of the amount of annual rental specified in the aforesaid contract, and also for the faithful performance by said contracting person, firm or corporation of all the conditions, covenants and requirements specified and provided for in said contract.

The said contract shall further provide that in case of default in paying the annual sum or rental therein provided for, or in case of the failure or neglect on the part of said contracting person, firm or corporation faithfully to observe, keep and fulfill the conditions, obligations and requirements of said contract, the said city by its Board of Municipal Rapid Transit may, without process of law, take possession of said road and the equipment thereof, and as the agent of said contracting person, firm or corporation, either maintain and operate said road, or enter into a contract with some other person, firm or corporation for the maintenance and operation thereof, retaining out of the proceeds of such operation after the payment of the necessary expenses of operation and maintenance, the annual rental hereinbefore referred to, and paying over the balance, if any, to the person, firm or corporation with whom the first contract above mentioned was made, and if such proceeds of the operation of said road after the payment of the necessary expenses of maintenance and operation, including the keeping in repair of the rolling stock and other equipment, shall in any year be less than the annual rental hereinbefore referred to and provided for in the first contract, then and in that case the said contracting person, firm or corporation, and his or its bondsmen, shall be and continue jointly and severally liable to the aforesaid city for the amount of such deficiency until the end of the full term for which said first contract was originally made. No contract entered into under authority of this act shall be assigned without the written consent of said Board of Municipal Rapid Transit, concurred in by all the members of said Board.

Sec. 8. The said Board of Municipal Rapid Transit before awarding any contract or contracts shall advertise for proposals for such contracts by a notice to be printed twice a week for three successive weeks in not less than four of the daily newspapers published in said city, and in such newspapers published elsewhere than in said city as said Board shall determine. Such notice shall set forth and state the points within said city between which said road or roads is or are to run, the general method of construction, the route or routes to be followed, the term of years for which it is proposed to make such contract, and such other details and specifications as said Board shall deem to be proper. Said notice shall state a time and place at which said proposals will be opened, and the said Board shall attend at the time and place so specified, and shall publicly open all proposals that shall have been received, but the said Board shall not be bound to accept any proposal so received, but may reject all such proposals and readvertise for proposals in the manner hereinbefore provided, or may accept any of such proposals as will in the judgment of said Board best promote the public interests, and award a contract accordingly.

All contracts made under authority of this act must, before execution, be approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation or other chief legal adviser to said city, and must be submitted to and approved by a majority vote of a conference to be called by the said Mayor of said city, and to consist of the said Mayor and the respective heads of the several departments of the government of said city. For the purposes of this section the head of a department administered by a Board or Commission consisting of more than one person shall be deemed to be the President or other presiding officer of said Board or Commission.

Sec. 9. For the purpose of providing the necessary means for the construction of the road or roads herein authorized, including the necessary expenses incurred by the Board of Municipal Rapid Transit, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, or other local authority in said city having power to make appropriations of moneys to be raised by taxation upon the estates real and personal in said city, may from time to time and as the same shall be necessary and upon the requisition of the Board of Municipal Rapid Transit direct the Comptroller or other chief financial officer of said city to issue bonds of said city at such a rate of interest, and to run for such time as the said Board of Estimate and Apportionment or other local authority directing the issue of said bonds may prescribe. Said bonds shall not be sold at less than the par value thereof, and the proceeds thereof shall be paid out and expended for the purposes specified in this act upon vouchers certified by said Board of Municipal Rapid Transit. Said bonds shall be free from taxation, and shall be payable at maturity out of the Sinking Fund for the payment of the city debt if there be such a Sinking Fund in said city, and if there be no such Sinking Fund, then out of a Sinking Fund to be established and created out of the annual rentals of said road as hereinbefore provided.

Sec. 10. The Board of Municipal Rapid Transit, for and on behalf of the said city, may, from time to time, with the concurrence of all the members of said Board, and the consent in writing of the bondsmen or sureties of the person, firm or corporation which has contracted to construct, equip, maintain and operate said road or roads, or any of them, agree with said contracting person, firm or corporation upon changes in and modification of said contract, or of the plans upon which said road or roads is or are to be constructed, but no changes or modifications in the plans or conclusions

adopted and assented to by the Common Council or other principal legislative body of said city shall be made without the consent of said Common Council, or other principal legislative body, and of a majority in value of the owners of the property fronting on and bounded by the street, road, avenue or public place in, upon, over or under which said road is to be operated, or in default of such consent of said property owners, then with the consent of the General Term of the Supreme Court, obtained as hereinbefore provided, and no change or modification shall be made in any contract executed, as hereinbefore provided, without the consent of a majority of the conference of the Mayor and heads of departments hereinbefore mentioned, and no change or modification shall be made in any such contract that will result in reducing the annual rental to be paid to said city for the use of said road below the minimum rate hereinbefore provided.

Sec. 11. For the purpose of constructing any road by this act authorized and provided for the said Board of Municipal Rapid Transit, for and in behalf of said city may acquire, as in this act provided, any real estate, and any rights, terms and interests therein, and any and all rights, privileges, franchises and easements which, in the opinion of the Board, it shall be necessary to acquire or extinguish for the purpose of constructing and operating such road.

Sec. 12. It shall and may be lawful for the Board of Municipal Rapid Transit and for all persons acting under its authority to enter, in the day time, into and upon any and all lands and property which it shall deem necessary to be acquired or to which there may be appurtenant rights, terms, franchises, easements or privileges which it shall deem necessary to be acquired or extinguished by said city, for the purpose of making the maps or surveys hereinafter mentioned, and also to enter, in like manner and for the same purpose, upon any property adjacent to and within five hundred feet of the property to be so surveyed; and the said Board shall cause three similar maps or plans to be made of each parcel of property which it may deem necessary so to be acquired, or to which there may be appurtenant rights, terms, franchises, easements or privileges necessary so to be acquired or extinguished, designating each of said parcels by a number, and upon each map or plan so made the said Board shall cause to be clearly indicated the particular estate or estates, rights, terms, privileges, franchises or easements to be acquired or extinguished for the purposes of this act, in relation to each and every piece or parcel of property described upon said map or plan.

The said Board shall have power to cause a triplicate set of maps or plans as herein provided for to be made as often and at such times as said Board shall determine, and each set of maps or plans so made shall contain the particulars above enumerated within such district as said Board shall in each case provide. The maps or plans herein provided for, when approved and adopted, by said Board, shall have written thereon a certificate of such approval, signed by the members of the Board of Municipal Rapid Transit, adopting and approving the same, and one copy thereof shall be filed in the Department of Public Works or other chief executive department having principal charge of the streets, there to remain as a public record, and the other two of said maps shall be transmitted to the Counsel to the Corporation or other principal legal adviser of said city. The said Board may, from time to time, make and file further maps amending those already filed, but not so as to defeat or impair any property or interest which shall have been already acquired, or to revive any interest or right which may have been already extinguished by the said city.

Sec. 13. Whenever and as often as the said Board of Municipal Rapid Transit shall deem it to be necessary and proper that the said city should acquire any such property, and shall have caused to be made, as provided in the last preceding section, the maps or plans specifying and defining the said property to be acquired, or to which are appurtenant the rights, terms, franchises, easements or privileges to be acquired or extinguished, and shall have certified and filed and transmitted the several copies of such maps or plans as in the last section prescribed, the said Board may direct the Counsel to the Corporation, or other principal legal adviser of said city, to take legal proceedings to acquire the same for the said city, and the said Counsel to the Corporation, or other principal legal adviser, shall thereupon take proceedings as in this act provided.

Sec. 14. The said Counsel to the Corporation, or other principal legal adviser of said city, shall cause one of the maps or plans, so as aforesaid transmitted to him, to be filed in the office of the Register of the county in which said city is situated. The map, hereinafter denominated the third map, being the other one of the two so as aforesaid transmitted to said Counsel to the Corporation, or other legal adviser, shall be disposed of as hereinafter provided.

Sec. 15. After the said map or plan shall have been filed, as hereinbefore provided, in the office of the Register of said county, the said Counsel to the Corporation, or other principal legal adviser, for and on behalf of the said city shall, upon first giving the notice required by the next section of this act, apply to the Supreme Court, at any Special or General Term thereof, to be held in the judicial district in which said city is situated, for the appointment of commissioners of appraisal. Upon such application he shall present to the court a petition, signed by the members of the Board of Municipal Rapid Transit, and verified in the manner prescribed by law for the verification of pleadings, according to the practice of said court, setting forth the action theretofore taken by said board, and the filing of said maps and praying for the appointment of such commissioners of appraisal. Such petition shall contain a general description of all the property to, or in or over or appurtenant to which any title, interest, right, franchise, easement, term or privilege is sought to be acquired or extinguished by the said city for public purposes, each lot or parcel being more particularly described by a reference to the number of said lot or parcel, as given on said maps, and the title, interest, right, easement, term or privilege sought to be acquired or extinguished to, or in or over or appurtenant to each of said lots or parcels shall be stated in said petition.

Sec. 16. The said Counsel to the Corporation, or other principal legal adviser, shall give notice by publication in two public newspapers published in the said city, of his intention to make application to the said court for the appointment of such Commissioners of Appraisal, which notice shall state the time and place of such application, shall briefly state the object of the application, and shall describe the property sought to be acquired or affected. A statement of the location and boundaries of the several lots or parcels of property sought to be taken or affected, and a brief statement as to each of said lots or parcels of the title, interest, rights, easements, terms of privileges therein or appurtenant thereto, sought to be acquired or extinguished with a reference to the dates and places of filing the said maps shall be a sufficient description of the property sought to be so taken or affected. Such notice shall be so published continuously in each issue of said newspapers for six weeks immediately previous to the time fixed in said notice for the presentation of each petition.

Sec. 17. At the time and place mentioned in said notice, unless the said court shall adjourn said application to a subsequent date, and in that event at a time to which the same may be adjourned, the court, upon due proof to its satisfaction of the publication aforesaid, and upon filing the said petition, shall make an order for the appointment of three disinterested freeholders, residents in the said city, as commissioners of appraisal, to ascertain and appraise the compensation to be made to the owners of property so to be taken or extinguished for the purposes indicated in this act. Such order shall fix the time and place for the first meeting of the commissioners.

Sec. 18. The said commissioners shall take and subscribe the oath required by the Twelfth Article of the Constitution of the State of New York, and shall forthwith file the same in the office of the Clerk of the County in which said city is situated.

Sec. 19. On filing said oath in the manner provided in the last section, the said city shall be and become seized and possessed in fee or absolute ownership of all those parcels of property which are on the maps in the twelfth section referred to, described as parcels of property which are to be acquired, and also shall become seized and possessed of all the rights, terms, franchises, easements or privileges appurtenant to any lots or parcels of property indicated on said maps as parcels in regard to which it is deemed necessary to acquire such rights, terms, franchises, easements or privileges, or the said rights, terms, easements or privileges shall be extinguished as the case may be; and the said city may immediately or at any time or times thereafter, take possession of the said property, or of any part or parts thereof without any suit or proceeding at law for that purpose, and the said Board of Municipal Rapid Transit and the said city, or any person or persons acting under their or its authority may enter upon and use and occupy in perpetuity all the parcels of property and all the rights, terms, franchises, easements or privileges appurtenant to any of the parcels of property described on said map, for any of the purposes authorized and provided for by this act.

Sec. 20. Any one of said Commissioners of Appraisal may issue subpoenas and administer oaths to witnesses, and they or any one of them, in the absence of the others, may adjourn the proceedings from time to time in their discretion, but they shall continue to meet from time to time as may be necessary to hear, consider and determine upon all the claims which may be presented to them under any of the provisions of this act. In case of the death, resignation, refusal or neglect to serve of any commissioner of appraisal, the remaining commissioner or commissioners shall, upon ten days' notice, to be given by advertisement in the newspapers mentioned in the sixteenth section of this act, apply to the Supreme Court, at a Special or General Term thereof, to be held in the judicial district in which said city is situated, for the appointment of a commissioner or commissioners to fill the vacancy or vacancies so occasioned. In case of the death, resignation or refusal to serve of all the commissioners of appraisal, the said Counsel to the Corporation, or other principal legal adviser to said city, shall, on giving the notice required in this section, apply to the said court for the appointment of other commissioners of appraisal. It shall be the duty of the commissioners of appraisal to procure from the Counsel to the Corporation, or other principal legal adviser, the third map provided for in the twelfth and fourteenth sections of this act. They shall view the property laid down on said map, and shall hear the proofs and allegations of any owner, lessee or other person in any way entitled to or interested in the property to be acquired or extinguished, or any part or parcel thereof, and also such proofs and allegations as may be offered on behalf of the said city. They shall reduce the testimony, if any, taken before them to writing, and after the testimony is closed, they, or a majority of them, all having considered the same, and having an opportunity to be present shall, without unnecessary delay, ascertain and determine the compensation which ought justly to be made by the said city to the owners or persons interested in the property acquired or extinguished by said proceedings. The said commissioners of appraisal shall make reports of their proceedings to the Supreme Court, as in the next section provided, with the minutes of the testimony taken before them, if any, and they shall be entitled to the payment hereinafter provided for their services and expenses, to be paid from the fund hereinafter specified.

Sec. 21. The said Commissioners shall prepare a report, to which shall be annexed the third

copy of the map referred to in the fourteenth section of this act and therein denominated the third map. The said report shall contain a brief description of the property so taken or affected, with a reference to the map upon which the same is required to be indicated; a statement of the sum estimated and determined upon by them as a just compensation for the same to be made by the city to the owners or persons interested therein and the names of such owners or persons; but in all and each and every case or cases where one or more of the owners and persons interested or their respective estates or interests are unknown or not fully known to the commissioners of appraisal, it shall be sufficient for them to set forth and state in general terms the respective sums to be allowed and paid to the owners of and persons interested therein, generally, without specifying the names or estates or interests of such owners or persons interested or any or either of them. They shall also recommend such sums as shall seem to them proper to be allowed as costs and counsel fees to such attorneys and counsel as may appear before them for any parties to the proceeding.

Sec. 22. Said report signed by said commissioners or a majority of them, shall be filed in the office of the Clerk of the County in which said city is situated, and the commissioners of appraisal shall in each case notify the Counsel to the Corporation or other principal adviser to said city as soon as any such report is filed.

Sec. 23. The Counsel to the Corporation, or other principal legal adviser, or in case of his neglect to do so within ten days after receiving notice of such filing, then any person interested in the proceedings shall give notice that the said report will be presented for confirmation to the Supreme Court at a Special Term thereof, to be held in the judicial district in which said city is situated, at a time and place to be specified in said notice. The said notice shall contain a statement of the time and place of the filing of the report, and shall be published in each of the newspapers referred to in the sixteenth section of this act for at least four weeks immediately prior to the presentation of said report for confirmation.

Sec. 24. The application for the confirmation of the report shall be made to the Supreme Court at a Special Term thereof, held in the judicial district in which said city is situated. Upon the hearing of the application for the confirmation thereof, the said court shall confirm such report and make an order containing a recital of the substance of the proceedings in the matter of the appraisal, with a general description of the property appraised and for which compensation is to be made, and shall also direct to whom the money is to be paid, and whether or not any part thereof, and, if so, what part, is to be deposited by the Comptroller or other chief financial officer of said city with the Chamberlain of said city, or if there be no Chamberlain, with a bank or trust company to be designated by said court. Such report when so confirmed shall, except in the case of an appeal, as provided in the thirtieth section of this act, be final and conclusive, as well upon the said city as upon owners and all persons interested in or entitled to said property, and also upon all other persons whomsoever.

Sec. 25. The said city shall, within four calendar months after the confirmation of the report of the commissioners of appraisal, pay to the respective owners and bodies politic or corporate mentioned or referred to in said report, in whose favor any sum or sums of moneys shall be estimated and reported by said commissioners, the respective sum or sums so estimated and reported in their favor respectively, with legal interest thereon from the date of filing the oath and certified copies thereof as by the eighteenth section of this act required. And in case of neglect or default in the payment of the same within the time aforesaid, the respective person or persons or bodies politic or corporate in whose favor the same shall be so reported, his, her or their executors, administrators, successors or assigns at any time or times after application first made by him, her or them to the Comptroller or other chief financial officer of said city for payment thereof, may sue for and recover the same, with lawful interest as aforesaid and the costs of suit in any proper form of action against the said city in any court having cognizance thereof, and in which it shall be sufficient to declare generally for so much money due to the plaintiff or plaintiffs therein by virtue of this act for property taken or extinguished for the purposes herein mentioned, and the report of said commissioners with proof of the right and title of the plaintiff or plaintiffs to the sum or sums demanded shall be conclusive evidence in such suit or action.

Sec. 26. Whenever the owner or owners, person or persons interested in any property taken or affected in such proceeding, or in whose favor any such sum or sums or compensation shall be so reported, shall be under the age of twenty-one years, or of unsound mind or absent from the city, and also in all cases where the name or names of the owner or owners, person or persons interested in any such property shall not be set forth or mentioned in said report, or where the said owner or owners, person or persons being named therein cannot upon diligent inquiry be found, or where there are adverse or conflicting claims to the money awarded as compensation, it shall be lawful for the said city to pay the sum or sums mentioned in said report payable, or that would be coming to such owner or owners, person or persons, respectively, with interest as aforesaid to the Chamberlain of said city, or if there be no Chamberlain, then to any bank or trust company designated by the court in the order confirming the report of the commissioners of appraisal, to the credit of such owner or owners, person or persons, and such payment shall be as valid and effectual in all respects as if made to the said owner or owners, person or persons interested therein respectively themselves, according to their just rights; and each and every such case and cases where any such sum or sum or compensation reported by the commissioners in favor of any person or persons or party or parties whatsoever, whether named or not named in said report, shall be paid to any person or persons or party or parties whomsoever, when the same shall of right belong and ought to have been paid to some other person or persons or party or parties, it shall be lawful for the person or persons or party or parties to whom the same ought to have been paid to sue for and recover the same with lawful interest and costs of suit as so much money had and received to his, her or their use by the person or persons, party or parties respectively, to whom the same shall have been so paid.

Sec. 27. Every owner or person in any way interested in any property taken or extinguished as contemplated in this act, if he intends to make claim for compensation for such taking or extinguishment shall within three years after the appointment of the commissioners of appraisal exhibit to the said commissioners a statement of his claim, and shall thereupon be entitled to offer testimony and to be heard before them touching such claim and the compensation proper to be made him, and to have a determination made by such commissioners of appraisal as to the amount of such compensation. Every person neglecting or refusing to present such claim within said time shall be deemed to have surrendered his claim for such compensation, except so far as he may be entitled as such owner or person interested, to the whole or a part of the sum of money awarded by the commissioners of appraisal as a just compensation for taking or extinguishing the property owned by said person or in which the said person is interested.

Sec. 28. Payment of the compensation awarded by said commissioners of appraisal to the persons named in their report (if not infants or persons of unsound mind), shall in the absence of notice to the said city of other claimants to such award, protect the said city.

Sec. 29. Said commissioners of appraisal may in their discretion take up any specified claim or claims, and finally ascertain and determine the compensation to be made thereon, and make a separate report with reference thereto, annexing to said report a copy of so much of the map referred to in the fourth section of this act as indicates the property so reported on. Such report shall as to claims therein specified, be the report required in this act, and the subsequent action with reference thereto, shall be had in the same manner as though no other claim were embraced in said proceeding, which, however, shall continue as to all claims upon which no such determination and report is made.

Sec. 30. Within twenty days after notice of the confirmation of the report of the commissioners, as provided for in the twenty-fourth section of this act, which notice may as to parties who have not appeared before the commissioners, be given in the manner provided in the twenty-third section of this act, either party may appeal, by notice in writing to the other party, to the Supreme Court from the appraisal and report of the commissioners. Such appeal shall be heard upon due notice thereof being given according to the rules and practice of said court, at a general term thereof. On the hearing of such appeal the court may direct a new appraisal and determination of any question passed upon, by the same or new commissioners, in its discretion, and from any determination of the general term, either party, if aggrieved, may take an appeal, which shall be heard and determined by the Court of Appeals. In the case of a new appraisal, the second report shall be final and conclusive on all the parties and persons interested. If the amount of compensation to be made by such city is increased by the second report, the difference shall be paid by the Comptroller or other chief financial officer of said city to the parties entitled to the same, or shall be deposited with the Chamberlain or bank or trust company as the court may direct, and if the amount is diminished, the difference shall be refunded to the said city by the party to whom the same may have been paid, and judgment therefor may be rendered by the court on the filing of the second report against the party liable to pay the same. But the taking of an appeal by any person or persons shall not operate to stay the proceedings under this act, except as to the particular property with which the said appeal is concerned. Such appeal shall be heard upon the evidence taken before said commissioners, and any affidavits as to irregularities, and three printed copies of such evidence shall be furnished by the said city to the party taking the appeal, within ten days after the appeal is perfected, and such appeal may be heard on the evidence so furnished, and may be taken without security thereon.

Sec. 31. The Supreme Court in the judicial district in which said city is situated shall have power at any time to amend any defect or informality in any of the special proceedings authorized by this act as may be necessary, and to direct such further notices to be given to any party in interest as it deems proper, and also to appoint other commissioners in place of any who shall die or refuse or neglect to serve or be incapable of serving or be removed. And the said court may at any time remove any commissioner of appraisal who in its judgment shall be incapable of serving, or who shall for any reason, in its judgment be an unfit person to serve as such commissioner. The cause of such removal shall be specified in the order making the same. If in any particular it shall at any time be found necessary to amend any pleading or proceeding, or to supply any defect therein arising in the course of any special proceeding authorized by this act, the same may be amended or supplied in such manner as shall be directed by the Supreme Court, which is hereby authorized to make such amendment or correction.

Sec. 32. All property acquired under the provision of this act shall be and shall be deemed to have been acquired for public uses and purposes, and for the purpose of affording increased facilities for rapid transit between points within the city acquiring such property.

Sec. 33. The moneys necessary and sufficient to be paid for any property, acquired in any manner under the provisions of this act, together with all expenses necessarily incurred in surveying, locating and acquiring title to such property, and for surveying and locating the same, and for preparing the necessary maps and plans in connection therewith, shall be raised and paid out of the proceeds of bonds prepared and issued as provided by the ninth section of this act, and all such expenses, as well as those incurred as provided in the next section, shall be deemed a part of and included in the cost of constructing the road or roads, the construction of which rendered it necessary to acquire the property in the course of the acquisition of which such expenses may be incurred.

Sec. 34. The commissioners of appraisal appointed in pursuance of this act shall receive as compensation the sum of ten dollars per day for each day actually employed. They may employ the necessary clerks, stenographers and surveyors. The Counsel to the Corporation or other principal legal adviser to said city, shall either in person or by such counsel as he shall designate for the purpose, appear for and protect the interests of the city in all such proceedings in court and before the commissioners. The fees of the commissioners and the salaries and compensation of their employees, and all other necessary expenses in and about the said proceedings provided for by this act, and such allowances for counsel fees as may be made by order of the court, and all reasonable expenses incurred by said Counsel to the Corporation or other principal legal adviser, or said counsel designated by him for the proper presentation and defense of the interests of said city before said commissioners and in court, shall be paid by the Comptroller or other chief financial officer of said city, out of the funds referred to in the last preceding section. But such fees and expenses shall not be paid until they have been taxed before a justice of the Supreme Court in the judicial district in which said city is situated, upon five days' notice to the Counsel to the Corporation, or other chief legal adviser of said city. Such allowances shall in no case exceed the limits prescribed by section 3253 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

Sec. 35. The road or roads constructed as in this act provided shall be and remain the absolute property of the city so constructing it or them, and shall be and be deemed to be a part of the public streets and highways of said city, to be used and enjoyed by the public upon the payment of such fares and tolls, and subject to such reasonable rules and regulations as may be imposed and provided for by the Board of Municipal Rapid Transit in said city.

Which was ordered to be printed in the minutes and published in full in the CITY RECORD, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS AND CORPORATION OFFICERS RESUMED.

The President laid before the Board the following communications from the Commissioner of Public Works:

(G. O. 175.)

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
No. 31 CHAMBERS STREET,
NEW YORK, March 9, 1888.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—In accordance with the provisions of section 321 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, as amended by chapter 569 of the Laws of 1887, I hereby certify and report to your Honorable Board that the safety, health and convenience of the public require that the flagging and the curb now on the sidewalk on the west side of Eighth avenue, from One Hundred and Twelfth to One Hundred and Thirteenth street, be relaid and reset and that new flagging and curb be furnished where the present flagging and curb are defective; the materials to be used for said work to be flagging and curb of North river blue stone of the dimensions and according to the specifications now used in the Department of Public Works.

Very respectfully,

JOHN NEWTON, Commissioner of Public Works.

Resolved, That the flagging and the curb now on the sidewalk on the west side of Eighth avenue, from One Hundred and Twelfth to One Hundred and Thirteenth street, be relaid and reset and that new flagging and curb be furnished where the present flagging and curb are defective, as provided by section 321 of chapter 410, Laws of 1882, as amended by chapter 569, Laws of 1887, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

(G. O. 176.)

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
No. 31 CHAMBERS STREET,
NEW YORK, March 9, 1888.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—In accordance with the provisions of section 321 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, as amended by chapter 569 of the Laws of 1887, I hereby certify and report to your Honorable Board that the safety, health and convenience of the public require that the sidewalks on the east side of Fourth avenue, from One Hundred and Seventh street to One Hundred and Eighth street, and on the north side of One Hundred and Seventh street, from Lexington to Fourth avenue, be regulated, and graded and flagged eight feet in width where not already done, and that the flagging and the curb now on the sidewalk be relaid and reset, and that new flagging and curb be furnished where the present flagging and curb are defective; the materials to be used for said work to be flagging and curb of North river blue stone of the dimensions and according to the specifications now used in the Department of Public Works.

Very respectfully,

JOHN NEWTON, Commissioner of Public Works.

Resolved, That the sidewalks on the east side of Fourth avenue, from One Hundred and Seventh to One Hundred and Eighth street, and on the north side of One Hundred and Seventh street, from Lexington to Fourth avenue, be regulated and graded and flagged eight feet in width where not already done, and that the flagging and the curb now on the sidewalk be relaid and reset, and that new flagging and curb be furnished where the present flagging and curb are defective, as provided by section 321 of chapter 410, Laws of 1882, as amended by chapter 569, Laws of 1887, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

(G. O. 177.)

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
No. 31 CHAMBERS STREET,
NEW YORK, March 7, 1888.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—In accordance with the provisions of section 321 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, as amended by chapter 569 of the Laws of 1887, I hereby certify and report to your Honorable Board that the safety, health and convenience of the public require that a crosswalk of two courses, with a row of paving-blocks between the courses, be laid across One Hundred and Twenty-fourth street, at its intersection with the easterly side of Madison avenue; the materials to be used for said work to be bridge-stone of North river blue stone of the dimensions and according to the specifications now used in the Department of Public Works.

Very respectfully,

D. LOWBER SMITH,
Deputy and Acting Commissioner of Public Works.

Resolved, That a crosswalk of two courses, with a row of paving-blocks between the courses, be laid across One Hundred and Twenty-fourth street, at its intersection with the easterly side of Madison avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

(G. O. 178.)

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
No. 31 CHAMBERS STREET,
NEW YORK, March 7, 1888.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—In accordance with the provisions of section 321 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, as amended by chapter 569 of the Laws of 1887, I hereby certify and report to your Honorable Board that the safety, health and convenience of the public require that a crosswalk of two courses, with a row of paving-blocks between the courses, be laid across Avenue A, at its intersection with the northerly side of Seventy-fourth street; the materials to be used for said work to be bridge-stone of North river blue stone of the dimensions and according to the specifications now used in the Department of Public Works.

Very respectfully,

D. LOWBER SMITH,
Deputy and Acting Commissioner of Public Works.

Resolved, That a crosswalk of two courses, with a row of paving-blocks between the courses, be laid across Avenue A, at its intersection with the northerly side of Seventy-fourth street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

(G. O. 179.)

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
No. 31 CHAMBERS STREET,
NEW YORK, March 7, 1888.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—In accordance with the provisions of section 321 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, as amended by chapter 569 of the Laws of 1887, I hereby certify and report to your Honorable Board that the safety, health and convenience of the public require that a crosswalk of two courses, with a row of paving-blocks between the courses, be laid across Avenue A, at its intersection with the southerly side of Eightieth street; the materials to be used for said work to be bridge-stone of North river blue-stone of the dimensions and according to the specifications now used in the Department of Public Works.

Very respectfully,

D. LOWBER SMITH,
Deputy and Acting Commissioner of Public Works.

Resolved, That a crosswalk of two courses, with a row of paving-blocks between the courses, be laid across Avenue A, at its intersection with the southerly side of Eightieth street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which were severally laid over.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

(G. O. 180.)

By the President—

Resolved, That the vacant lots on the east side of Washington avenue, commencing at a point about two hundred feet north of One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street and running thence north about one hundred and ninety feet, be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 181.)

By the same—

Resolved, That Manhattan avenue, from its intersection with Morningside avenue near One Hundred and Thirtieth street to One Hundred and Sixteenth street, be paved with granite-block pavement, and that crosswalks of two courses of blue stone be laid at the intersecting and terminating streets, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

By Alderman Barry—

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and is hereby requested to appropriate from the Actors' Fund, Excise Fund, or any other fund at the disposal of said Board, the sum of five hundred dollars, in aid of the funds of the Manhattan Dispensary, No. 301 East Seventy-sixth street.

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

By the same—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Cosella Antonia to place and keep a stand for the sale of fruit, inside the stoop-line in front of southwest corner of Third avenue and Seventy-ninth street, provided such stand shall not be an obstruction to the free use of the street by the public, nor exceed six feet long by four feet wide; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

(G. O. 182.)

By the same—

Resolved, That the vacant lots on the southeast corner of Seventy-fourth street and Avenue A be fenced in, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

By Alderman Benjamin—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to L. Schall to place and keep a stand for the sale of fruit, inside the stoop-line, in front of No. 13 Orchard street, provided such stand shall not be an obstruction to the free use of the street by the public, nor exceed six feet long by four feet wide; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

By Alderman Butler—

Resolved, That the Commissioners for Lighting the City be and is hereby requested to light Avenue, from Eighth to Fourteenth street, lighted with electric-lights.

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

By Alderman Conkling—

Resolved, That the Commission for Lighting the City be and is hereby respectfully requested to cause electric-lights to be placed on University place, from Waverly place to Fourteenth street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Lamps and Gas.

By Alderman Diver—

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be and he is hereby respectfully requested to cause the National, State and Municipal flags and the Irish National flag to be displayed on the flag-staffs on the City Hall, on Saturday, the 17th instant, in honor of the celebration by the Irish civil and military organizations in this city, of the anniversary of the natal day of Ireland's patron saint, pursuant to the power vested in him by section 198 of article XV. of chapter 8 of the Revised Ordinances of 1880.

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

By Vice-President Dowling—

Resolved, That a Special Committee of five members of this Board, of whom the President shall be chairman, be appointed by the President, to whom shall be referred all matters affecting local interests in the City of New York, now pending or hereafter introduced into the Legislature of this State at its present session, whose duty it shall be to proceed to Albany, when directed to do so by this Board, to represent the public interests of this city before the several Committees of the Legislature to whom such subjects may be referred.

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

And the President subsequently appointed as such Committee Vice-President Dowling, Alderman Diver, Mooney, Fitzsimons and Conkling.

By Alderman Martin—

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps placed thereon and lighted in Creston avenue, from One Hundred and Eighty-third street south to One Hundred and Eighty-first street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Lamps and Gas.

By the same—

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps lighted in Summit street, from its present termination to Marion avenue, a distance of about six hundred feet, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Lamps and Gas.

By Alderman McMurray—

Resolved, That crosswalks of two courses of blue stone be laid across Seventh avenue, within the lines of and parallel with the northerly and southerly sidewalks of all the streets crossing said avenue, from Twenty-fourth to Forty-first street, inclusive, excepting at Thirty-fourth street, the expense to be charged to the appropriation for "Repairs and Renewal of Pavements and Regrading."

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

(G. O. 183.)

By Alderman Mooney—

Resolved, That whereas extensive repairs are necessary on the public baths under the charge of the Department of Public Works, more especially on the submerged portions thereof, and it is impossible to make sufficiently approximate estimate and specifications for such repairs to form a proper basis for bids or proposals; therefore

Resolved, That authority is hereby given to the Department of Public Works to have the necessary repairs to said public baths made by one or several contractors, or others, without public advertisement and letting, and in such manner as the said Department may deem for the best interests of the city, including all the labor and materials necessary for the same, provided the sum or sums

so expended shall not exceed seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500), to be paid from the appropriation "Free Floating Baths," 1888, as provided in section 64 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882.

Which was laid over.

By the same—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to William F. Howe to lay a crosswalk of two courses of blue stone from the curb-line in front of his premises on Boston avenue, between One Hundred and Sixty-eighth and One Hundred and Sixty-ninth streets, to the railroad track, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

By Alderman Von Minden—

Resolved, That the Commissioners for Lighting the City be and are hereby requested to light Avenue, from Houston street to Eighth street, lighted with electric-lights.

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

By Alderman Walker—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Gansevoort Freezing and Cold Storage Company to connect their premises, Nos. 514, 516 and 518 West street, with the tracks of the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company, by a switch or turn-out, as shown on the accompanying diagram, the work to be done at the expense of said Storage Company, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

By the same—

Resolved, That the Legislature of this State be and is hereby requested to pass an act at its present session providing that hereafter the office of Counsel to the Corporation shall be filled by a vote of the people of this city; and that at the next general election in this State a person shall be elected in the City of New York as such Counsel to the Corporation, for a period of four years, from the first day of May, 1889, when the term of office of the present Counsel to the Corporation will expire, and that every four years thereafter the said office shall be filled by the choice of the electors of said city.

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing resolution, certified by the Clerk of this Board, be by him transmitted to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the Assembly of this State.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Affirmative—The President, Vice-President Dowling, Aldermen Barry, Butler, Cowie, Diver, Fitzsimons, McCarthy, McMurray, Martin, Mooney, Rinckhoff, Sullivan, Von Minden, and Walker—15.

Negative—Aldermen Benjamin, Conkling, and Joseph Murray—3.

The President laid before the Board the following memorandum of proposed legislation considered at Mayor's conference with the heads of the city departments on Monday, March 12, 1888:

1. An act to amend section 1066 of the Consolidation Act, relative to the institutions under the care of the Board of Education.

Senate Bill No. 66.

Introduced by Senator Ives.

Includes "the schools maintained by the Catholic Protector, including such schools 'maintained in Westchester County, in proportion to the number of children from the 'City of New York received therein,' among those entitled to participate in the apportionment of the school moneys, and rendered subject to the general supervision of the Board of Education.

2. An act to extend the distribution of water through the City of New York.

Authorizes the Commissioner of Public Works to expend not to exceed \$500,000 a year in extending the distribution of water, connecting the old and new reservoirs, changing the gate-houses at One Hundred and Nineteenth and One Hundred and Thirty-fifth streets and Tenth avenue, and in laying mains, etc., for delivering water at higher elevations. Money to be raised by bonds issued upon authorization of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

3. An act to authorize the Board for the Revision and Correction of Assessment Lists to determine and award damages for the closing of Ninety-eighth street.

Not printed.

Introduced by Mr. O'Connor.

Authorizes the Board to determine and award the damages sustained by Francis Blessing in consequence of closing Ninety-eighth street.

4. An act to provide further means for rapid transit in the City of New York.

Not yet introduced.

Creates a Board of Municipal Rapid Transit, to consist of the Mayor, Comptroller and Commissioner of Public Works, to be convened by the Mayor.

This Board is to organize and determine upon plans for a road or roads for rapid transit within this city, and formulate its conclusions as to mode of construction, equipment, motive power, rates of fare, etc. Public hearings are to be held by the Board.

When the Board shall have agreed upon plans and conclusions by a concurrent vote of all the members, such plans and conclusions are to be transmitted to the Common Council, and copies filed in the office of the Commissioner of Public Works. Not less than one week, nor more than ten days after the receipt of such plans and conclusions, the Common Council is to proceed to the consideration thereof, and may at any time suggest alterations or amendments, which are to be immediately considered by the Board of Municipal Rapid Transit, who are either to approve or disapprove the same, or make other suggestions of amendment or modification. Within four weeks after the Common Council shall have first received the plans and conclusions, they must take a vote on the question of approving them and consenting to the construction of such road or roads. If the Common Council approve the plans and consent to the construction of the road or roads, the consent of property-owners, or, in default thereof, of the General Term of the Supreme Court, is obtained in the manner provided for in the Street Surface Act of 1884.

When the necessary consents have been obtained the Board of Municipal Rapid Transit is to advertise for proposals to construct the road and equip and run it for a term of years. The Board is not bound to accept the lowest bidder, but may readvertise, or award the contract, as they may deem the interests of the City shall require.

The money to construct the road is to be raised by the issue of City Bonds. The contracting party is to give security for the fulfillment of his contract, and in case of breach of contract the City, in addition to such security, reserves the right of re-entry.

The contract is to provide both for constructing the road and equipping and operating it for a period of years to be determined by the Board of Municipal Rapid Transit. The contractor is to pay an annual rental to the City equal to the annual interest on the bonds and two per cent. upon the amount of the bonds in addition, the rental to be applied first to the payment of the interest, and secondly to the Sinking Fund.

Provision is made for acquiring whatever private property may be necessary.

5. An act in relation to Police Justices in the City of New York.

Not yet introduced.

Provides that hereafter no person shall be appointed a Police Justice, who is not a lawyer of at least ten years' standing, and who does not produce a certificate of a majority of the Supreme Court judges in the district, that the appointee is a lawyer of good standing, and competent to fill the office.

6. An act relating to lands held and owned under grants from the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Not yet introduced.

Provides that where lands are held under grants from the Corporation containing covenants on the part of the grantee to construct streets and keep them in good order and repair, and the owners fail or neglect to comply with the obligations of such covenants, the Commissioner of Public Works shall do the work, and the expense thereof shall be assessed upon the property upon which the obligation of the covenant rests.

Also provides that the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund may agree with the owners of any such property upon a gross sum to be paid in commutation of the obligation of such covenants.

7. An act to amend sections 322 and 323 of the Consolidation Act.

Not yet introduced.

Provides that before any permit is issued to disturb a street pavement, a sum of money shall be deposited, sufficient, in the judgment of the Commissioner of Public Works, to defray the cost of replacing the pavement and keeping it in repair for eighteen months, the pavement to be replaced and kept in repair for the period named by the Commissioner of Public Works, and the expense thereof paid out of the moneys deposited for that purpose.

8. An act to provide for the repavement of streets and avenues in the City of New York.
Not yet introduced.

Authorizes the Commissioner of Public Works to repave such streets and avenues as shall in his judgment from time to time need repaving. The work to be done by contract, under the restrictions and provisions of the Consolidation Act as to contracts. Bonds to the extent of three million dollars are authorized to be issued for the purpose, but none to be issued except by the direction of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment. Before entering upon any contract, an estimate of the probable cost is to be submitted to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, and no contract is to be entered into until the Board shall have consented to the work, and shall have estimated and appropriated the amount to be expended therefor, which is not to be exceeded.

9. An act to fix the salaries of the Commissioners, Superintendent, Inspectors and Sergeants of Police.

Senate Bill No. 172.

Introduced by Mr. Vedder.

Fixes the following annual salaries:

President of Board, \$10,000.

Commissioners, other than President, \$8,000 each.

Superintendent, \$8,000.

Inspectors, \$5,000 each.

Sergeants, \$2,250 each.

10. An act to amend section 287 of the Consolidation Act.

Senate Bill No. 192.

Introduced by Mr. Murphy.

Requires Superintendent and Inspectors of Police to give bonds, as follows:

Superintendent, \$30,000.

Inspectors, each, \$20,000.

11. To transfer park policemen to regular police force.

Senate Bill No. 203.

Introduced by Mr. Van Cott.

Transfers park police force to the regular police force, and extends the jurisdiction of the latter over the parks.

12. An act to amend section 307 of the Consolidation Act.

Senate Bill No. 205.

Introduced by Mr. Langbein.

Strikes out of the section the provision that no pension to a retired member of the police force (except Superintendent or Inspectors) shall exceed \$1,000, leaving the pension in each case to be one-half the salary.

13. An act to regulate blasting in the City of New York.

Senate Bill No. 227.

Introduced by Mr. Stadler.

Requires every person before blasting to procure a permit from the Commissioner of Public Works, and give a bond to be answerable for any damage that may be done.

14. An act to authorize the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund to grant the use of parts of public buildings to the Volunteer Firemen's Association.

Assembly Bill No. 344.

Introduced by Mr. Finn.

Authorizes the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund to grant to the Volunteer Firemen's Association rooms in any public building.

15. An act to provide for the establishment and erection of municipal lodging-houses in the City of New York.

Assembly Bill No. 393.

Introduced by Mr. T. D. Sullivan.

Constitutes the Mayor, Comptroller, Recorder and President of the Department of Charities and Correction a board to select and acquire sites for and to erect three municipal lodging-houses, two for males and one for females, the whole expense not to exceed \$300,000, and the houses when completed to be under the control and management of the Department of Charities and Correction.

16. An act to provide for the establishment of a market place.

Assembly Bill No. 395.

Introduced by Mr. Blumenthal.

Provides for the establishment of a market place for farmers' wagons in the Nineteenth Ward.

17. An act to provide for a free public bath.

Assembly Bill No. 445.

Introduced by Mr. Blumenthal.

Provides for a free floating public bath in the East river, between Fifty-ninth and Seventy-ninth streets, at a place to be designated by the Dock Department.

Owing to the blizzard the Mayor was not at his temporary rooms at the time for which the meeting of the conference was called and the same was adjourned to this afternoon, at 3 o'clock.

GEO. H. FORSTER, President of the Board of Aldermen.

Which was ordered to be printed in the minutes, published in full in the CITY RECORD and referred to the Special Committee.

Alderman Dowling moved that the Committee be instructed to oppose bills numbered 4, 5, 8 and 14.
The President here announced that he would divide the subject and have each bill voted on separately.

In opposition to Bill No. 4.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Affirmative—The President, Vice-President Dowling, Aldermen Barry, Benjamin, Butler, Cowie, Divver, Fitzsimons, McCarthy, McMurray, Martin, Mooney, Joseph Murray, Rinckhoff, Sullivan, Von Minden, and Walker—17.
Negative—Alderman Conkling—1.

To oppose Bill No. 5.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Affirmative—The President, Vice-President Dowling, Aldermen Barry, Benjamin, Butler, Cowie, Divver, Fitzsimons, McMurray, Martin, Mooney, Joseph Murray, Rinckhoff, Sullivan, Von Minden, and Walker—16.
Negative—Alderman Conkling—1.

To oppose Bill No. 8.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Affirmative—The President, Vice-President Dowling, Aldermen Barry, Benjamin, Butler, Cowie, Fitzsimons, McMurray, Martin, Mooney, Rinckhoff, Sullivan, Von Minden, and Walker—14.
Negative—Aldermen Conkling and Joseph Murray—2.

To oppose Bill No. 14.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Affirmative—The President, Vice-President Dowling, Aldermen Barry, Benjamin, Butler, Cowie, Divver, Fitzsimons, McCarthy, McMurray, Martin, Mooney, Rinckhoff, Sullivan, Von Minden, and Walker—16.
Negative—Alderman Conkling—1.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS AND CORPORATION OFFICERS AGAIN RESUMED.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Finance Department:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
March 10, 1888.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen:

Weekly statement, showing the appropriations made under the authority contained in section 189, New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, for carrying on the Common Council from January 1 to December 31, 1888, both days inclusive, and of the payments made up to and including the date hereof, for and on account of each appropriation, and the amount of unexpended balances.

TITLES OF APPROPRIATIONS.

AMOUNT OF APPROPRIATIONS.

PAYMENTS.

AMOUNT OF UNEXPENDED BALANCES.

City Contingencies.....	\$1,500 00	\$12 50	\$1,487 50
Contingencies—Clerk of the Common Council.....	200 00	.....	200 00
Salaries—Common Council.....	73,588 06	11,986 01	61,602 05

THEO. W. MYERS, Comptroller.

Which was ordered on file.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS RESUMED.

By Alderman Divver—

Resolved, That when the Board adjourn to-day it adjourn to meet to-morrow, Wednesday, March 14, 1888, at 1 o'clock P. M.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Fitzsimons—

Whereas, We, the members of the Common Council, deeply sympathize with the entire German people throughout the entire world, and particularly the people of the German Empire, in the great loss that they have sustained in the death of their beloved Emperor, Kaiser William; therefore

Resolved, That we, the Common Council, request his Honor the Mayor to place at half staff a flag on flag-staff of the City Hall, on the day of the funeral of the lamented Kaiser William.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By the President—

Resolved, That Edward L. Waterbury, of No. 211 West One Hundred and Fourth street, be and he hereby is reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Cowie—

Resolved, That Carson G. Archibald and William M. Negus be and they are hereby reappointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By the same—

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

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Vice-President Dowling—

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

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Divver—

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

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By the same—

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

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Fitzsimons—

Whereas, The term of office of William H. Salter as a Commissioner of Deeds for the City of New York, will expire on the 16th day of March, 1888:

Resolved, That said William H. Salter be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By the same—

Resolved, That Sidney Sherwood, of No. 53 Lexington avenue, be and he hereby is appointed a Commissioner of Deeds.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Gunther—

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

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Mooney—

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

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Rinckhoff—

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

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

Alderman Joseph Murray moved that this Board do now adjourn.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the President announced that the Board stood adjourned until Wednesday, March 14, 1888, at one o'clock P. M.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk.

COMMISSIONERS OF THE SINKING FUND OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

Proceedings of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund at a Meeting held at the Mayor's Office, at 2 o'clock P. M., Thursday, March 8, 1888.

Present—Abram S. Hewitt, Mayor; Frederick Smyth, Recorder; Theodore W. Myers, Comptroller; William M. Ivins, Chamberlain, and Patrick Divver, Chairman Finance Committee, Board of Aldermen.

The minutes of the meeting held February 16, 1888, were read and approved.

The Comptroller presented the following report of the Commissioner of Public Works upon the plans of the Department of Docks for an exterior street between Sixty-fourth and Eighty-sixth streets, on the East river, with the estimate of the cost of construction, and also a communication from the Department of Docks upon the subject, and a resolution to refer the whole matter to the Counsel to the Corporation to prepare a bill for presentation to the Legislature, amending the statute authorizing the construction of the said exterior street on the East river, in conformity with modifications of the plan prescribed by said statute, as proposed by the Commissioner of Public Works and approved by the Commissioners of Docks:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
No. 31 CHAMBERS STREET,
NEW YORK, February 16, 1888.

Hon. ABRAM S. HEWITT, Chairman Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

SIR—I beg leave to make the reply which has been requested by the following resolution of the Sinking Fund Commissioners, received with other papers from the Finance Department:

"Resolved, That the plans for an exterior street on the west shore of the East river, between Sixty-fourth and Eighty-sixth streets, submitted by the Department of Docks, and presented to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, October 7, 1887, be, together with the reports and estimates of the cost of construction presented by the Comptroller, referred to the Commissioner of Public Works for examination and report, after conference with the Commissioners of Docks, upon the general feasibility of the plans, and especially in regard to the proposed width of 150 feet at the locality, taking into consideration also the advisability of continuing all the cross streets to the river-front to intersect the exterior street at the same grade, for commercial purposes and public convenience, or of maintaining the grade of some of the streets at a higher level to the bluff or bank of the river, on account of the increased expense of excavating rock on the line of the streets, and on adjacent property down to the lower grade required to intersect the exterior street at grade."

The estimate of the exterior street from Sixty-fourth to Eighty-sixth street, East river, under the provision of chapter 697 of the Laws of 1887, as made in the Department of Public Works, is \$2,380,650. In this estimate the bulkhead, including 50 feet in width of the street which is to be built by the Department of Docks, is estimated at \$200 a lineal foot, following in this the opinion of the Chief Engineer of that Department. The estimate in detail is attached to this report.

I am asked in regard to the proposed width of 150 feet at that locality, and to take into consideration also the advisability of continuing all of the cross streets to the river-front to intersect the exterior street at the same grade, for commercial purposes and public convenience, or of maintaining the grade of some of the streets at a higher level to the bluff or bank of the river. First, there is no apparent object, in my opinion, to extend this exterior street beyond the north side of Eighty-first street, because, beyond that the nature of the shore is of such character, being high bluff, as to prevent the use of the cross streets between Eighty-first and Eighty-sixth streets, as also to lead to extensive rock excavation; and the preservation of the East River Park, now being made between Eighty-fourth and Eighty-sixth streets, should be considered. I therefore propose that the exterior street should start from the south side of Sixty-fourth street, and not to extend beyond the north side of Eighty-first street, having a total width of 115 feet; that is to say, 50 feet for the bulkhead, 50 feet for the carriageway, and 15 feet for the sidewalk. The street herein proposed, and that of 150 feet in width laid down by the Department of Docks, are both represented upon the sketch sent herewith. It will be observed that the proposed street has been moved towards the river in order to clear the outlet of Avenue B at Seventy-ninth street.

The estimate for the proposed street, 115 feet in width, as made in the Department of Public Works, is \$1,578,040. The estimate in detail is annexed. (See Note 1.)

I have carefully considered the question and have read the papers, and, after consultation with others, and upon my own knowledge, I have arrived at the conclusion that there is no necessity for a street of greater length or greater capacity than the one now proposed; and that a further development of this exterior street, either in length or width, at the present time, would entail a useless expense.

Upon the sketch sent herewith will be found the profiles of the different streets as they exist at the present time, with grades already constructed or established by authority. I propose for Sixty-fifth, Sixty-sixth and Sixty-seventh streets, that they shall not be cut down to intersect the grade of Exterior street, but that the bluffs there existing shall be supported by a retaining wall next to the exterior street, and the same disposition will be necessary for the ends of Eightieth, Eighty-first, Eighty-second and Eighty-third streets. (See Note 2.)

I have had a consultation with the Chief Engineer of the Department of Docks, representing the Dock Commissioners, and I understand that there is no difference in the views of the two Departments upon the subject of this exterior street.

Very respectfully,

JOHN NEWTON, Commissioner of Public Works.

NOTE I.—So far as this Department is concerned, the exterior street would stop at Eightieth street, but the Department of Docks desires its prolongation to Eighty-first street, on account of certain facilities presented for dockage. It will be noted that further on both Eightieth and Eighty-first streets are proposed to be closed next to the exterior street by retaining walls.

NOTE II.—Seventy-second street need not be cut down to the grade of Exterior street, unless property-owners request it.

It will be understood that retaining walls at Eighty-second and Eighty-third streets are recommended only in case the exterior street extends beyond Eighty-first street.

Eighty-fourth street is not referred to, as that is under the jurisdiction of the Department of Public Parks.

P. S., February 24: On preparing and signing the above letter, I transmitted it to the Department of Docks, asking for the views of that Department before forwarding the letter to you, and I now enclose a copy of the reply received thereto.

D. LOWBER SMITH,

Deputy and Acting Commissioner of Public Works.

Estimate of Cost of Exterior Street, 100 feet wide, to be built by the Commissioner of Public Works (Chapter 697, Laws of 1887); also, for Proposed Street of 65 feet wide, between Sixty-fourth and Eighty-first streets; to which is added a Bulkhead of 50 feet wide, to be built by the Department of Docks.

QUANTITIES.	FOR A STREET 100 FEET WIDE, CARRIAGEWAY 60 FEET WIDE.	FOR A STREET 65 FEET WIDE, BET. SIXTY-FOURTH AND EIGHTY-FIRST STREETS, CARRIAGEWAY 50 FEET WIDE.
246,000 cubic yards excavation, at \$1.....	\$246,000 00	.....
99,140 cubic yards excavation, at \$1.....	.....	\$99,140 00
17,000 cubic yards excavation, regrading streets, at \$1.25.....	21,250 00	.....
10,760 cubic yards excavation, regrading streets, at \$1.25.....	.....	13,475 00
6,000 square yards repaving cross streets, at 50 cents.....	3,000 00	.....
2,870 square yards repaving cross streets, at 50 cents.....	.....	1,435 00
50,000 square yards new pavement, Exterior street, at \$2.50.....	125,000 00	.....
25,600 square yards new pavement, Exterior street, at \$2.50.....	.....	59,000 00
93,000 lineal feet curbing, new pavement, Exterior street, at 60 cents.....	5,400 00	.....
4,650 lineal feet curbing, new pavement, Exterior street, at 60 cents.....	.....	2,790 00
40,000 square feet flagging (8 feet wide), new pavement, Exterior street, at 30 cents.....	12,000 00	.....
20,000 square feet flagging (4 feet wide), new pavement, Exterior street, at 30 cents.....	.....	6,000 00
400 feet rebuilding and extension of sewers, at \$20.....	8,000 00	.....
5,000 cubic yards retaining walls, at \$12.....	60,000 00	.....
3,100 cubic yards retaining walls, at \$12.....	.....	37,200 00
Cost of property to be taken, equal to two hundred city lots, at \$3,500.....	700,000 00	.....
Cost of property to be taken, equal to one hundred and twenty-six city lots, at \$3,500.....	.....	441,000 00
Damage to property on cross streets by alteration of grade.....	.....	.....
Total for streets.....	\$1,187,650 00	\$660,040 00
Add bulkhead, 50 feet to be built by Department of Docks, about 6,000 lineal feet, at \$200.....	1,200,000 00	.....
Add bulkhead, 50 feet to be built by Department of Docks, about 4,550 lineal feet, at \$200.....	.....	910,000 00
Grand total.....	\$2,380,650 00	\$1,570,040 00

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS,
NEW YORK, February 23, 1888.

General JOHN NEWTON, Commissioner of Public Works:

Sir—I have had the honor to receive your communication of the 16th of February, enclosing copy of one addressed by you to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund in relation to the plans for an exterior street on the west shore of the East river, between Sixty-fourth and Eighty-sixth streets, submitted by this Department to said Commissioners, on the 7th of October, 1887, and asking for the views of this Department before forwarding the communication in question to the Sinking Fund Commissioners.

I beg to say, in reply, that your communication was referred to the Engineer-in-Chief for his examination, and it has also been under the consideration of the Commissioners themselves. It is proper to state that the plan which was made by this Department for the exterior street, between Sixty-fourth and Eighty-sixth streets, East river, and which was submitted to the Sinking Fund Commissioners on the date previously mentioned, was one which was in accordance with the requirements of the statute as provided by chapter 697 of the Laws of 1887, which was in effect mandatory, so far as the width and extent of the exterior street were concerned. This Department could not do otherwise than carry out the provisions of the law and embody in their plans the exterior street according to the absolute demands of the statute.

Your opinion has now been asked as to the propriety of building this street to the width of 150 feet and the advisability of continuing all the cross streets to the river front, for the purpose of intersecting the exterior street at the same grade, or of maintaining the grade of some of the streets at a higher level to the bluff or bank of the river. It would seem that you have arrived at the conclusions

that there is no object apparent in extending the exterior street beyond the north side of Eighty-first street, because, beyond that limit, the nature of the shore is of such a character as to prevent the use of the cross streets, between Eighty-first and Eighty-sixth streets, and would also necessitate extensive rock excavation. An additional reason is the preservation of the East River Park, now being made between Eighty-fourth and Eighty-sixth streets. In your judgment, therefore, you think that the exterior street should start from the south side of Sixty-fourth street and not extend beyond the north side of Eighty-first street, and should have a width of 115, instead of 150 feet; that is to say, 50 feet for the bulkhead, 50 feet for the carriageway, and 15 feet for the sidewalk; that there is no necessity for a street or wharf of greater length or capacity than this, and that to exceed these at the present time would entail a useless expense.

This Department is entirely in accord with your view of the matter and concurs in the advisability of the changes in the plan as proposed by you; but, as previously stated, these changes, or any other, were not in the power of the Department to effect, in view of the absolute and mandatory provisions of the statute which called for a street extending from Sixty-fourth to Eighty-sixth street, and of a width of 150 feet.

(Signed)

Yours, respectfully,

L. J. N. STARK, President.

Whereas, The Department of Docks has prepared a map or plan for an exterior street of 150 feet in width, extending along the westerly shore of the East river in the City of New York, from the centre line of East Sixty-fourth street to the northerly line of Eighty-sixth street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 697 of the Laws of 1887, passed June 25, 1887; and

Whereas, Said map or plan for said exterior street on the East river was submitted to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund on October 7, 1887, for their adoption or rejection thereof; and

Whereas, Said map or plan for said exterior street was referred to the Commissioner of Public Works for his examination and report, after conference with the Commissioners of Docks; and

Whereas, The Commissioner of Public Works has presented a report upon said map or plan for said exterior street, and has proposed and recommended certain modifications of the said map or plan for an exterior street, changing the same to a width of 115 feet, as therein described and explained; and

Whereas, The Department of Docks is entirely in accord with the views of the Commissioner of Public Works, as stated in a communication to him dated February 23, 1888, and concurs in the advisability of the changes in the plan submitted by the Department of Docks, said plan having been adopted by it, "in view of the absolute and mandatory provisions of the statute which called for a street extending from Sixty-fourth to Eighty-sixth street," and of a width of 150 feet instead of 115 feet, as proposed by the Commissioner of Public Works, and approved by the Commissioners of Docks; and

Whereas, Legislative authority is necessary to change the said plan of an exterior street along the East river, as provided by chapter 697 of the laws of 1887; therefore

Resolved, That the matter of construction of an exterior street along the East river, authorized by chapter 697 of the Laws of 1887, be referred to the Counsel to the Corporation, and that he be and is hereby requested to prepare a bill to be presented to the Legislature at an early day, amending said statute in conformity with the changes in the plan of construction of said exterior street, recommended and approved by the Commissioner of Public Works and the Department of Docks, the provisions of said bill to be prepared and determined on specifically with regard to the extension and discontinuance of the proposed exterior street at certain points, upon consultation with the Commissioner of Public Works, the Department of Docks and the Department of Public Parks.

The report was accepted and the resolution unanimously adopted.

The Comptroller presented the following report and resolution approving of the appointment of appraisers for the renewal of a lease of the premises belonging to the City, No. 28 Beaver street:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
February 28, 1888.

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

GENTLEMEN—The premises now known as No. 28 Beaver street were leased by the City to William H. Aspinwall for the term of twenty-one years, which expired on the first of January, 1888. Measures were taken by my predecessor, prior to the termination of the lease, to appraise the rental on a renewal of the lease for the term of twenty-one years, as provided for in the original lease of the premises, and a rental of \$1,050 per annum was fixed by such appraisal by experts, with a reservation of the lower floor of the building for the use of the Fire Department, as provided by the original lease, being an advance of \$450 per annum over the rental on the old lease.

By the advice of the Counsel to the Corporation I submit a resolution for the action of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, approving of the appointment of appraisers to fix the amount of rent to be paid on said premises under a renewal of the lease.

Respectfully,

THEO. W. MYERS, Comptroller.

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund do hereby approve of the appointment of appraisers by the Comptroller to fix the amount of rent to be paid upon a lease for the further term of twenty-one years, of the premises known as No. 28 Beaver street, to be made to the executors of William H. Aspinwall, deceased, pursuant to a covenant in the lease expiring December 31, 1887, and do ratify the appraisal made by the appraisers so appointed by the Comptroller.

The report was accepted and the resolution unanimously adopted.

The Comptroller presented the following communication from the Board of Health, and a resolution relative to the erection of a shed on Pier 37, North river.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
PRESIDENT'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, February 28, 1888.

Hon. A. S. HEWITT, Mayor:

Sir—I have the honor to transcribe for your information the following letter from Mr. L. J. N. Stark, President of the Department of Docks:

"NEW YORK, February 14, 1888.

"Hon. JAMES C. BAYLES, President Board of Health, 301 Mott Street:

"Sir—At a meeting of the Board of this Department, held on the 10th inst., the following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved, That the whole width of the pier at the foot of West Thirty-seventh street, North river, for its outer 250 feet, be and hereby is assigned to the Board of Health for the uses and purposes of the official contractor.

"Resolved, That pursuant to the provisions of section 728, chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, and in accordance with the request of the Commissioner of Street Cleaning, the inner 250 feet of the southerly side of the pier at the foot of West Thirty-seventh street, North river, be and the same is hereby designated and set apart for the use of the Department of Street Cleaning of the City of New York."

"You will see from the above that the whole width of the pier at the foot of Thirty-seventh street, North river, for its outer 250 feet, has been assigned to your Board for the uses and purposes of the official contractor. This Board would suggest that this portion be covered with a shed for the purpose of screening from public view the official, etc., which may be placed upon the pier or loaded on boats moored thereat, and thereby somewhat abating what is necessarily a nuisance, and which this Department would like to make as unobjectionable as is attainable under the circumstances.

"I trust that you will order this shed to be built at as early a date as possible, and if you will kindly consult with the Engineer-in-Chief of this Department in respect to its shape and general construction, I shall be obliged.

Yours, respectfully,

"L. J. N. STARK, President."

(Signed)

This letter was read at the last meeting of the Board of Health and, it being clear that however desirable a shed over the official dock might be we had no money with which to build it, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That in the judgment of the Board of Health it is desirable for sanitary reasons and the public interest that the dock provided for the use of the official contractor at the foot of West Thirty-seventh street be covered with suitable sheds.

The resolution of the Board was communicated to the President of the Dock Department, who stated that the Department would be very glad to build the shed if assured that the expenditure

would be approved by the Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners, and I was authorized by the Board to lay the matter before you and request that such authority as the Dock Commissioners may need be given them. It is, I think, very important that this dock should be covered. The material delivered there for removal is of the most offensive and unsightly kind, and if exposed to the direct rays of the sun would be a great deal more offensive than if properly housed. I beg you will take such action in the matter as seems to you expedient under the circumstances.

Respectfully,
JAMES C. BAYLES, President.

Whereas, The Board of Commissioners of the Department of Docks, at a meeting held February 10, 1888, adopted a resolution assigning the whole width of the pier at the foot of West Thirty-seventh street, North river, for its outer two hundred and fifty feet, to the Board of Health for the uses and purposes of the ofal contractor; and

Whereas, The Board of Health considers it desirable for sanitary reasons and the public interest that said dock should be covered with a suitable shed, and the Department of Docks will build such shed, with the approval of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund hereby authorize and approve of the erection of a shed by the Department of Docks upon the pier foot of West Thirty-seventh street, assigned by that Department to the Board of Health for the uses and purposes of the ofal contractor.

Which were laid over.

The Comptroller presented the following from the Board of Police, with a resolution to authorize the renewal of a lease of premises No. 34 East Twenty-ninth street:

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
NEW YORK, February 21, 1888.

The Honorable Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the Board of Police held this day, it was
“Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund be and are hereby respectfully requested to authorize the Comptroller to execute a renewal of the lease from Messrs. Robert and Ogden Goellet of the premises No. 34 East Twenty-ninth street, for the use of the Police Department of the City of New York as a station-house, lodging-house and prison for the Seventeenth (formerly Twenty-fifth) Police Precinct for one year, from May 1, 1888, at the yearly rent of \$2,000.”

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

Whereas, The Board of Police have requested the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund to authorize a renewal of the lease to the City of the premises No. 34 East Twenty-ninth street for the term of one year, from May 1, 1888, upon the same terms and conditions.

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized to renew the lease made the 5th day of April, 1886, between Robert Goellet and Ogden Goellet and the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, of the premises No. 34 East Twenty-ninth street, for the use of the Police Department, as a station-house, lodging-house and prison for the Seventeenth (formerly Twenty-fifth) Police Precinct, for the term of one year from May 1, 1888, at the same rental of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) per annum and upon the same terms and conditions, with the privilege of renewing the same as covenanted in said lease.

Which resolution was unanimously adopted.

The Comptroller presented the following from the Department of Public Parks, with a report and resolution to authorize the renewal of leases of certain premises in the Twenty-third Ward:

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE, NOS. 49 AND 51 CHAMBERS STREET,
March 2, 1888.

Sinking Fund Commission:

GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the Board governing this Department, held on the 8th ultimo, the following resolution was adopted:

“Resolved, That the Sinking Fund Commission be respectfully requested to lease for the use of this Department for one year from May 1 next, the premises now in its possession at the northeast corner of One Hundred and Forty-third street and College avenue, and used as a stable and shops; also the premises used as a storage yard, etc., consisting of seven lots on the west side of College avenue south of One Hundred and Forty-fourth street.”

In connection with the above matter I beg to state that it is desired to renew the present leases upon the same conditions and at the rental now paid, namely, \$300 per annum and water rates for the premises at College avenue and One Hundred and Forty-third street, and \$600 per annum for the lots on the west side of College avenue south of One Hundred and Forty-fourth street. Mr. Jordan L. Mott, the executor of the estate owning the premises referred to, has stated his willingness to continue the leases upon these terms.

Yours, very respectfully,
CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary D. P. P.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
March 8, 1888.

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

GENTLEMEN—I present herewith a request of the Department of Public Parks for a renewal for one year of two leases of premises situated on One Hundred and Forty-third and One Hundred and Forty-fourth streets and College avenue, upon the same terms and conditions of the present leases, which expire May 1, 1888.

The rents are considered fair and reasonable, and I submit a resolution to authorize one lease of all of said premises.

Respectfully,
THEO. W. MYERS, Comptroller.

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be and is hereby requested to prepare a lease to the City of the premises at the northeast corner of One Hundred and Forty-third street and College avenue, used as a stable and shops, and also the premises consisting of seven lots on the west side of College avenue, south of One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, used as a storage yard, etc., by the Department of Public Parks, for the term of one year from May 1, 1888, at a yearly rental of nine hundred dollars (\$900), upon the same conditions as the present leases of said premises, the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund deeming the rent fair and reasonable, and that it would be for the interest of the City that such lease should be made, and the Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to execute such lease when prepared and approved by the Counsel to the Corporation, as provided in sections 123 and 181 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882.

The report was accepted and the resolution unanimously adopted.

The Comptroller presented the following preambles and resolution, authorizing the payment of rent of certain rooms used as dormitories by the Police Department:

Whereas, The Board of Police hired certain rooms, from month to month, at No. 218 East Fifty-ninth street, as dormitories for the temporary use of the police force of the Twenty-eighth Precinct, changed to the Twenty-fifth Precinct, at \$46 per month, for the period in all of eleven months, from January 1, 1887, to December 1, 1887; and

Whereas, An appropriation of \$300 was made in the Final Estimate for 1887 to the Police Department, entitled “Police Station-houses—Rents,” for “Additional Rooms, Six Months, for Twenty-eighth Precinct Police, Estimated”; and

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment, on February 29, 1888, made a transfer of \$266 from an unexpended balance of an appropriation to the Police Department for 1887, at the request of the Board of Police, to said appropriation for “Additional Rooms, Six Months, for Twenty-eighth Precinct Police, Estimated,” thus providing for the rent of said rooms for the period of eleven months;

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized to pay the rent of said rooms at No. 218 East Fifty-ninth street, at the rate of \$46 per month, for the period of eleven months,

from January 1, 1887, from the appropriation to the Police Department, entitled “Police Station-houses—Rents,” for “Additional Rooms, Six Months, for Twenty-eighth Precinct Police, Estimated,” in the year 1887.

Which were unanimously adopted.

The Mayor called attention to the resolution adopted on February 16, 1888, fixing the terms and conditions of sale of the lease of the ferry between Roosevelt street in the City of New York and Broadway and South Eighth street in the City of Brooklyn.

He objected to the lease of the ferry at a fixed yearly rental for the term of ten years, and proposed to limit the term to five years, or give a ten-year lease with a percentage rental on the gross receipts of the ferry.

The Recorder moved to reconsider the resolution adopted on February 6, which motion was adopted.

Mr. Joseph J. O'Donohue, President of the New York and Brooklyn Ferry Company, now operating the ferry, stated that his company desired a lease for ten years in order to make extensive improvements at the landing in the City of New York, which would not be justifiable on a lease for only five years.

After general discussion of the subject by the members of the Board, it was determined to authorize a lease of the ferry at a fixed yearly rental, for the term of ten years, with a condition giving the City the option to substitute a rental of five per cent. of the gross receipts from ferriage for the last five years of the lease.

The resolution fixing the terms and conditions of a lease of the ferry, so amended, was then submitted, as follows:

Resolved, That the minimum yearly rental or upset price of the franchise or right to operate the ferry established to run between Roosevelt street, in the City of New York, and Broadway and South Eighth street, in the City of Brooklyn, to be sold at public auction, as authorized and directed by this Board February 6, 1888, along with the wharf property belonging to the City, used and required for ferry purposes, at the foot of Roosevelt street, on a lease for the term of ten years from March 1, 1888, shall be and is hereby appraised and fixed at the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000), the lease to contain the same or similar covenants and conditions as those of the present lease to the New York Ferry Company, in pursuance of the provisions of law and the ordinances of the Common Council relating to the sale of ferries, and the terms and conditions of sale such as shall be prescribed by the Comptroller:—Provided, that the City of New York shall have the right and privilege of terminating the rental of the said ferry at a fixed amount per annum at the end of five years, and of substituting a rental of five per cent. upon the gross receipts of ferriage of said ferry, payable quarterly, upon sworn statements of the amount of said receipts, by the President or Treasurer of the Company which shall become a lessee of the ferry.

The resolution as amended was unanimously adopted.

The Mayor and the Comptroller, to whom was referred on February 16 the resolution fixing the terms and conditions of a lease of the ferry between Thirty-fourth street, East river, and Long Island City, reported thereon and submitted the following amended resolution:

Resolved, That the minimum yearly rental or upset price of the franchise or right to operate the ferry established to run between East Thirty-fourth street and Long Island City, to be sold at public auction, as authorized and directed by this Board February 6, 1888, along with the wharf property belonging to the City, used and required for ferry purposes, at the foot of Thirty-fourth street, on a lease for the term of ten years from May 1, 1888, shall be and is hereby appraised and fixed at the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), the lease to contain the same or similar covenants and conditions as those of the present lease to the East River Ferry Company, in pursuance of the provisions of law and the ordinances of the Common Council relating to the sale of ferries, and the terms and conditions of sale such as shall be prescribed by the Comptroller:—Provided, that the City of New York shall have the right and privilege of terminating the rental of the said ferry at a fixed amount per annum at the end of five years, and of substituting a rental of five per cent. upon the gross receipts of ferriage of said ferry, payable quarterly, upon sworn statements of the amount of said receipts, by the President or Treasurer of the Company which shall become a lessee of the ferry.

Which was unanimously adopted.

Adjourned.

RICHARD A. STORRS, Secretary.

APPROVED PAPERS.

Resolved, That a crosswalk of two courses, with a row of paving-blocks between the courses, be laid across First avenue, at its intersection with the southerly side of One Hundred and Sixteenth street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, February 28, 1888.
Approved by the Mayor, March 5, 1888.

Resolved, That a crosswalk of two courses, with a row of paving-blocks between the courses, be laid across First avenue, at its intersection with the northerly side of One Hundred and Eleventh street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, February 28, 1888.
Approved by the Mayor, March 5, 1888.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, February 10, 1888.

I, Abram S. Hewitt, Mayor of the City of New York, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 10 of the Laws of 1888, do hereby designate the Sun, Herald, Times, World, Star, Tribune, Journal, Press, Evening Post, Commercial Advertiser, Graphic, Telegram, Evening Sun, Evening World, Mail and Express, Staats Zeitung, New Yorker Zeitung and Daily News as the newspapers in which the advertisements provided for in said act may be printed.

(Signed), ABRAM S. HEWITT,
Mayor.

CIVIL SERVICE SUPERVISORY AND EXAMINING BOARDS.

CITY OF NEW YORK—CIVIL SERVICE SUPERVISORY AND EXAMINING BOARDS,
SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
ROOM 11, CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, June 3, 1887.

THOMAS COSTIGAN, Esq.,
Supervisor City Record:

DEAR SIR—The following amendment to

Regulation 16 of the New York City Civil Service Regulations has been made:

If the appointing officer shall notify the Secretary of more than one vacancy at any one time, the Secretary shall certify to the appointing officer for appointment, the names of as many persons as there are vacancies to be filled, with the addition of two names for the first vacancy and one name for every two vacancies in addition to the first.

Yours respectfully,
LEE PHILLIPS,
Secretary and Executive Officer.

CITY OF NEW YORK—CIVIL SERVICE SUPERVISORY AND EXAMINING BOARDS,
SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
ROOM 11, CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, May 31, 1887.

THOMAS COSTIGAN, Esq.,
Supervisor:

DEAR SIR—The following resolution was passed by the Supervisory Board at their meeting, held May 27, 1887:

“Resolved, That in view of the inadequate space in the Secretary's office and in order to enable him more readily to discharge the business of the same, the Secretary is authorized to arrange the business of the office so that the same shall be open for personal interviews with appli-

cants and the public during a part of the day only."

Pursuant to the above action, I hereby designate the two hours between 2 and 4 o'clock in afternoon as the time for which the offices shall be open for personal interviews with applicants and the public.

Very respectfully,
LEE PHILLIPS,
Secretary and Executive Officer.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

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

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Mayor's Office.
No. 6 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.
ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor; ARTHUR BERRY, Secretary and Chief Clerk.
Mayor's Marshal's Office.
No. 1 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
THOMAS W. BYRNES, First Marshal;
GEORGE W. BROWN, Jr., Second Marshal.

COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS.

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

AQUEDUCT COMMISSIONERS.

Room 202, Stewart Building, 5th floor, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.
JAMES C. SPENCER, President; JOHN C. SHEEHAN, Secretary; BENJAMIN S. CHURCH, Chief Engineer; J. C. LULLY, Auditor.

BOARD OF ARMY COMMISSIONERS.

THE MAYOR, Chairman; PRESIDENT OF DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, Secretary.
Address: M. COLEMAN, Staats Zeitung Building, Tryon Row, Office hours, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Office of Clerk of Common Council.
No. 8 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.
GEORGE H. FORSTER, President Board of Aldermen;
FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk Common Council.
City Library.
No. 12 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.
D. N. CARVALHO, City Librarian.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Commissioner's Office.
No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN NEWTON, Commissioner; D. LOWBER SMITH, Deputy Commissioner.
Bureau of Chief Engineer.
No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
GEORGE W. BIRDSALL, Chief Engineer.
Bureau of Water Register.
No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN H. CHAMBERS, Register.
Bureau of Street Improvements.
No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WM. M. DEAN, Superintendent.
Engineer-in-Charge of Sewers.
No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
HORACE LOOMIS, Engineer-in-Charge.
Bureau of Repairs and Supplies.
No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WILLIAM G. BERGEN, 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. BARCOCK, Superintendent.
Bureau of Incumbrances.
No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN RICHARDSON, Superintendent.
Keeper of Buildings in City Hall Park.
MARTIN J. KESSE, City Hall.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

Comptroller's Office.
No. 15 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
THEODORE W. MYERS, Comptroller; RICHARD A. STOKES, Deputy Comptroller.
Auditing Bureau.
Nos. 19, 21, 23 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WILLIAM J. LYON, First Auditor;
DAVID E. AUSTEN, Second Auditor.

Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents.
Nos. 37, 35, 33, 31, 29 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
ANTHONY 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.
JAMES J. KELSO, Collector of the City Revenue and Superintendent of Markets;
GRAHAM MACADAM, Chief Clerk.

Bureau for the Collection of Taxes.
No. 57 Chambers street and No. 35 Reade street, Stewart Building.
GEORGE W. McLEANE, Receiver of Taxes; ALFRED VREDEBURGH, Deputy Receiver of Taxes.

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

Office of the City Paymaster.
No. 33 Reade street, Stewart Building.
JOHN H. TIMMERMAN, 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.
HENRY R. BRECKMAN, Counsel to the Corporation;
ANDREW T. CAMPBELL, Chief Clerk.

Office of the Public Administrator.

No. 40 Beekman street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
RICHARD J. MORRISON, Public Administrator.
Office of the Corporation Attorney.
No. 40 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.

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Central Office.
No. 66 Third avenue, corner Eleventh street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
CHARLES E. SIMMONS, President; GEORGE F. BRITTON, Secretary.
Purchasing Agent, FREDERICK A. CUSHMAN Office hours, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Closed Saturdays, 12 M.
Contracts, Proposals and Estimates for Work and Materials for Building, Repairs and Supplies, Hills and Accounts, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Closed Saturdays, 12 M.
RUFUS L. WILDER, General Bookkeeper and Auditor.

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Office hours for all except where otherwise noted from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Saturdays, 10 to 12 M.

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Nos. 157 and 159 East Sixty-seventh street.

HENRY D. PURROY, President; CARL JUSSEN, Secretary.

Bureau of Chief of Department.

CHARLES O. SHAY, Chief of Department.

Bureau of Inspector of Combustibles.

PETER SEERY, Inspector of Combustibles.

Bureau of Fire Marshal.

GEORGE H. SHELTON, Fire Marshal.

Bureau of Inspection of Buildings.

ALBERT F. D'ONCH, Superintendent of Buildings.

Attorney to Department.

WM. L. FINDLEY.

Fire Alarm Telegraph.

J. ELLIOT SMITH, Superintendent.
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JOHN CASTLES, Foreman-in-Charge, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.

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JOSEPH SHEA, Foreman-in-Charge.
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No. 301 Mott street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JAMES C. BAYLES, President; EMMONS CLARK, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

Emigrant Industrial Savings Bank Building, Nos. 49 and 51 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

M. C. D. BORDEN, President; CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

Civil and Topographical Office.

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

Office of Superintendent of 23d and 24th Wards.
One Hundred and Forty-sixth street and Third avenue, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

Battery, Pier A, North River, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

L. J. N. STARK, President; G. KEMBLE, Secretary.

Office hours from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. daily, except Saturdays; on Saturdays as follows: from October 1 to June 1, from 9 A. M. to 3 P. M.; from June 1 to September 30, 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, 12 M.

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

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Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

CHARLES S. BEARDSLEY, Attorney; WILLIAM COMERFORD, Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING.
49 and 51 Chambers street. Office hours, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

JAMES S. COLEMAN, Commissioner; JACOB SEABOLD, Deputy Commissioner; R. W. HORNER, Chief Clerk.

CIVIL SERVICE SUPERVISORY AND EXAMINING BOARDS.
Cooper Union.

EVERETT P. WHEELER, Chairman of the Supervisory Board; LEE PHILLIPS, Secretary and Executive Officer.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT.
Office of Clerk, Staats Zeitung Building, Room 5.

THE MAYOR, Chairman; CHARLES V. ADEE, Clerk.

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East side City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

JAMES J. SLEVIN, Register; JAMES J. MARTIN, Deputy Register.

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Room 127, Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

CHARLES KELLY, Commissioner; JAMES E. CONNER, Deputy Commissioner.

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Nos. 7 and 8 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

JAMES A. FLACK, County Clerk; THOMAS F. GILROY, Deputy County Clerk.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.

Second floor, Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

JOHN R. FELLOWS, District Attorney; JAMES McCABE, Chief Clerk.

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And Bureau of Printing, Stationery, and Blank Books.

No. 2 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M., except Saturdays, on which days 9 A. M. to 3 P. M.

THOMAS COSTIGAN, Supervisor; R. P. H. ABELL, Book-keeper.

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EDWARD GLOS, Chairman; WM. H. JASPER, Secretary.

BOARD OF EXCISE.

No. 34 Bond street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

CHARLES H. WOODMAN, President; DAVID S. WHITE, Secretary and Chief Clerk.

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Nos. 3 and 4 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

HUGH J. GRANT, Sheriff; JOHN B. SEXTON, Under Sheriff; BERNARD F. MARTIN, Order Arrest Clerk.

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Nos. 13 and 15 Chatham street, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M. Sundays and holidays, 8 A. M. to 12:30 P. M.

MICHAEL J. B. MESSEMER, Ferdinand Levy, Ferdinand Edman, John R. Nugent, Coroners; JOHN T. TOAL, Clerk of the Board of Coroners.

SUPREME COURT.

Second floor, New County Court-house, opens at 10:30 A. M.

CHARLES H. VAV BATTY, Presiding Justice; JAMES A. FLACK, Clerk; THOMAS F. GILROY, Deputy County Clerk.

General Term, Room No. 9, WILLIAM LAMB, Jr., Clerk.

Special Term, Part I, Room No. 10, HUGH DONNELLY, Clerk.

Special Term, Part II, Room No. 18, WILLIAM J. HILL, Clerk.

Chambers, Room No. 11, WALTER BRADY, Clerk.

Circuit, Part I, Room No. 12, SAMUEL BARRY, Clerk.

Circuit, Part II, Room No. 14, JOHN B. MCGOLDRICK, Clerk.

Circuit, Part III, Room No. 13, GEORGE F. LYON, Clerk.

Circuit, Part IV, Room No. 15, J. LEWIS LYON, Clerk.

Judges' Private Chambers, Rooms Nos. 19 and 20, EDWARD J. KNIGHT, Librarian.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Third floor, New County Court-house, 11 A. M.

General Term, Room No. 35.

Special Term, Room No. 33.

Chambers, Room No. 33, 10 A. M.

Part I, Room No. 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.

RICHARD L. LARREMORE, 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 RUFUS 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 MACADAM, Chief Justice; MICHAEL T. DALY, Clerk.

OYER AND TERMINER COURT.

New County Court-house, second floor, southeast corner.

Room No. 12, 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 southwest corner of Centre and Chambers streets.

MICHAEL NORTON, Justice.

Clerk's office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Second District—Fourth, Sixth and Fourteenth Wards, corner of Pearl and Centre streets, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

CHARLES M. CLANCY, Justice.

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

GEORGE B. FRANK, Justice.

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

ALFRED STECKLER, Justice.

Fifth District—Seventh, Eleventh and Thirteenth Wards, No. 154 Clinton street.

HENRY M. GOUDROU, 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.

SAMUEL LACHMAN, Justice.

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

AMROSE MONELL, Justice.

Eighth District—Sixteenth and Twentieth Wards, southwest corner of Twelfth and Seventh avenues. Court opens at 9 A. M. and continues to close of business. Clerk's office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. each court day.

On the 1st of Monday, October 3, 1887, the trial days of this Court will be Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

JOHN JEROMAN, Justice.

Ninth District—Twelfth Ward, No. 225 East One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street.

JOSEPH P. FALLON, Justice.

Clerk's office open daily from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Trial days Tuesdays and Fridays. Court opens at 10:30 A. M.

Tenth District—Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, corner of Third avenue and One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street.

Office hours, from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Court opens at 9 A. M.

ANDREW I. ROGERS, Justice.

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

THOMAS E. MURRAY, Justice.

POLICE COURTS.

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

GEORGE W. CRECHER, Secretary.

Office of Secretary, Fifth District Police Court, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, near Fourth avenue.

which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof; which estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party making the same, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

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

Bidders proposing to furnish illuminating gas are required to state in their estimates the district or several districts, avenues, piers, parks and places in which they propose to perform the requirements herein contained, and also the illuminating or candle-power of the gas they propose to furnish, when tested at a distance of not less than one mile from the place of manufacture; and bidders proposing to furnish any illuminating material other than illuminating oil or gas, must state distinctly what kind of material they propose to furnish, and the illuminating power of the light they propose to furnish.

Bidders are also required to state the price per unit for which they will furnish the gas (of not less than eighteen-candle power by photometric test at a distance of not less than one mile from the place of manufacture) or other illuminating material for each lamp, including the lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repairing, reglazing, and painting lamp-posts and lanterns, and the cost of gas, tubes, burners, cross haws, s, lamp-irons, and lanterns thereto, for the period from May 1, 1888, to April 30, 1889, both days inclusive; stating the price, for the above-named period of one year, for each lamp.

Bidders proposing to furnish illuminating gas are also required to state a price for which they will repair lamp-posts, including straightening and relighting, and for each new lamp fitted up, as follows:

For each lamp-post straightened, stating the price per post.
For each column re-laid, stating the price per post.
For each lamp-post refitted, stating the price per post.
For each lamp-post removed, stating the price per post.
For each lamp-post reset, stating the price per post.
For each new lamp fitted up, stating the price per post.
The total number of public gas lamps to be contracted for is about 24,800, and bidders may bid for any portion of the same, naming their location as to districts, streets, avenues, piers, parks and public places, or parts thereof. The bidders for illuminating gas are to be a capacity to burn three cubic feet of gas per hour under a pressure of one inch, and in case the illuminating material shall be oil or naphtha, then the burners to be used for such illuminating material shall give a light (by photometric test) equal to the light given by the burners in use in the public lamps in the City of New York.

Should any alteration or any attachment be required to any portion of the lamps for which estimates are made, the consequence of such alteration or attachment shall be done and such attachment placed on the lamps without expense to the city.

The number of hours the gas or naphtha lamps are to be kept burning during the contract is 4,000. The electric lamps are to be kept lighted 3,938 hours.
The amount of security required on any contract for lighting the houses and public places, will amount to \$400,000 and upwards, shall be \$150,000; on any contract which will amount to \$300,000 and less than \$400,000 shall be \$125,000; on any contract which will amount to \$200,000 and less than \$300,000 shall be \$100,000; on any contract which will amount to \$100,000 and less than \$200,000 shall be \$75,000; on any contract which will amount to \$50,000 and less than \$100,000 shall be \$50,000; on any contract which will amount to \$25,000 and less than \$50,000 shall be \$25,000; on any contract which will amount to \$10,000 and less than \$25,000 shall be \$10,000; on any contract which will amount to \$5,000 and less than \$10,000 shall be \$5,000; on any contract which will amount to less than \$5,000, \$5,000.

Bidders proposing to furnish electric lamps are required to state in their estimates the district or several districts, avenues, piers, parks and public places, or parts thereof, in which they propose to perform the requirements herein contained, providing the number of lamps, and the candle-power of the lamps for lighting each street, etc., and in case the district or any portion of the district which is contemplated in the bid is not lighted by the bidder with electric lamps at the time of the making of his bid, then a map or sketch, showing clearly the proposed locations of lamps, poles and conducting wires in such district, must be submitted with the bid.

Bidders must state the kind and system of light they propose to furnish.

Bidders are required to state the price per unit for each lamp at which they propose to furnish, operate and maintain a light according to the specifications and the amount of the specifications and for the period mentioned in the agreement.

Bidders are required to state the number and locations of the central stations at which the electric current is to be generated, and the provision, if any, will be made against the accidental extinction of the lights on account of damage to the central station by fire.

The amount of security required on electric-light contracts is Twenty-five Thousand dollars.

No estimate will be received or considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the State or National Banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the Estimate-book, 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 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 he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

The award of any contract, if awarded, will be made as soon as practicable after the opening of the bids. Should the person or persons to whom any contract is so awarded neglect or refuse to accept the contract within five days after written notice that the same has been awarded to him, the estimate, and the money or check, except the contract and give the proper security, it may be readjusted and relet as provided by law and ordinance.

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the specifications will be allowed, unless a written permission shall have been previously obtained from the Mayor, Comptroller, and Commissioner of Public Works.

The bidders are required to state in their estimates the amount of their bids in their estimates, in addition to inserting the same in figures.

The right is also reserved, whatever may be the illuminating material named in the estimate, when an estimate is made containing bids for lamps in one or more streets, avenues, piers, parks or places, to accept from such estimate or bid so much thereof as may be the lowest per lamp in any one or more of such streets, avenues, piers, parks or places, and to reject the remainder of such estimate or bid which may not be the lowest per lamp in any one or more of such streets, avenues, piers, parks or places, and to designate in any locality, after the estimates are opened, what illuminating material shall be used in the public lamp, or any number of them, in such locality, during the period above mentioned; also upon such determination, to decline any estimate or part thereof for lighting such locality with illuminating material other than that so determined upon. Also to decline all estimates if deemed for the best interests of the City. No estimate will be accepted from, or contract awarded to any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter as security or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

The right is also reserved to determine and designate in any locality, after the estimates are opened, what illuminating material shall be used in the public lamp, or any number of them, in such locality, during the period above mentioned; also upon such determination, to decline any estimate or part thereof for lighting such locality with illuminating material other than that so determined upon. Also to decline all estimates if deemed for the best interests of the City. No estimate will be accepted from, or contract awarded to any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter as security or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

The right is also reserved to regulate the number of electric lamps which may be erected and their location and disposition, in order to best illuminate the streets, parks or other public places for the lighting of which bids may be received.

If the estimate of any bidder shall include any lamps with which the pipes or conductors of such bidder are not connected at the time of the making of the bid, and a contract for furnishing illuminating material and lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repairing and maintaining any such lamps, shall be awarded to such bidder, in that case, thirty days from the date of the execution of such contract and such further time as may be deemed reasonable by the Mayor, Comptroller and Commissioner of Public Works, shall be allowed to such bidder in which to connect such pipes or conductors with such lamps, and all such connections shall be made by the party of the second part without expense to the City.

But no payment to such bidder, on account of any such lamps, will be made for the time so allowed, nor until the same shall have been established in complete working order, nor except for the time during which all the requirements herein mentioned shall have been fully performed.

Blank forms of estimates can be obtained on application at the office of the Commissioner of Public Works.

New York, March 7, 1888.

ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor.

THEO. W. MYERS, Comptroller.

JOHN NEWTON, Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
Nos. 49 and 51 Chambers Street,
New York, February 23, 1888.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE COMMISSIONERS of the Department of Public Parks, in the City of New York, will, on the 14th day of March, 1888, at 11 o'clock A. M., at their office, in the Emigrants' Savings Bank Building, Nos. 49 and 51 Chambers Street, in said city, hear and consider all statements, objections and evidence that may then and there be offered in reference to a proposed change in the lines of Palsade Avenue, from near its intersection with Kapock street to a point distant about 327 feet easterly therefrom, under authority of chapter 721 of the Laws of 1887.

The contemplated change consists in changing the location, course, width and lines of Palsade Avenue, at and near its intersection of Kapock street, in the Spuyten Duyvil District, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, and in discontinuing and closing a portion of said avenue and Kapock street.

A map showing the proposed change is on exhibition in said office.

M. C. D. BORDEN,
WALDO HUTCHINGS,
J. HAMPTON ROBB,
Commissioners of Public Parks.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

CITY OF NEW YORK,
FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
March 10, 1888.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 997 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 assessment, that the opening of One Hundred and Seventy-third street, between Tenth Avenue and Kingsbridge Road, which was confirmed by the Supreme Court, February 27, 1888, and entered on the 7th day of March, 1888, in the Record of Titles of Assessments in said 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 entry of the assessment, interest will be collected thereon as provided in section 998 of said "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882."

The above assessment is payable to the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, at the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents," Room 3, Stewart Building, between the hours of 9 A. M. and 2 P. M., and all payments made thereon, on or before May 15, 1888, will be exempt from interest as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum from the date of entry in the Record of Titles of Assessments in said Bureau to the date of payment.

The above assessment is payable to the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, at the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents," Room 3, Stewart Building, between the hours of 9 A. M. and 2 P. M., and all payments made thereon, on or before May 15, 1888, will be exempt from interest as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum from the date of entry in the Record of Titles of Assessments in said Bureau to the date of payment.

THEODORE W. MYERS, Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK,
FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
March 6, 1888.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 997 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 assessment, that the opening of One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, between Tenth Avenue and Kingsbridge Road, which was confirmed by the Supreme Court January 23, 1888, and entered on the 2d day of March, 1888, in the Record of Titles of Assessments in said 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 entry of the assessment, interest will be collected thereon as provided in section 998 of said "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882."

Section 998 of the said act provides that, "If any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said Record of Titles of Assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment, to charge, collect and receive interest thereon, at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated from the date of such entry to the date of payment."

The above assessment is payable to the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears at the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents," Room 3, Stewart Building, between the hours of 9 A. M. and 2 P. M., and all payments made thereon, on or before May 9, 1888, will be exempt from interest as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum from the date of entry in the Record of Titles of Assessments in said Bureau to the date of payment.

THEODORE W. MYERS, Comptroller.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

NOTICE TO ARCHITECTS IS HEREBY GIVEN that the time for receiving plans and specifications for building for Criminal Courts and other purposes, proposed to be erected in the City Hall Park of the City of New York, as heretofore advertised, is extended from the first day of March, 1888, to the second day of April, 1888.

By order of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

RICHARD A. STORRS, Secretary.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, January 30, 1888.

CITY OF NEW YORK,
FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
March 3, 1888.

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:

Hudson street sewer, west side, between Horatio and Gansevoort streets.
Hudson street sewers, between Franklin and Beach streets.
Edgecomb avenue, east side, laying an additional course of flagging, from One Hundred and Thirty-fifth to One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street.

Edgecomb avenue, west side, regulating, grading, setting curb-stones, flagging and laying crosswalks, between One Hundred and Thirty-sixth and One Hundred and Thirty-seventh streets.

Avenue St. Nicholas sewer, east side, between One Hundred and Forty-first and One Hundred and Forty-fifth streets.

West End avenue, extending sidewalks, from the intersections of Seventy-second, Seventy-third, Seventy-fourth, Seventy-fifth, Seventy-sixth, Seventy-seventh, Seventy-eighth, Eighty-first, Eighty-second, Eighty-third, Eighty-fourth, Eighty-fifth, Eighty-sixth, Eighty-seventh, Ninety-third, Ninety-fourth, Ninety-fifth, One Hundred and One Hundred and First streets, to the new curb-line on West End avenue, and flagging four feet wide, between One Hundred and One Hundred and Thirty-fifth streets.

First avenue paving with granite-block pavement, from Ninety-second to One Hundred and Ninth street.

Third avenue regulating and grading, between Harlem river and One Hundred and Forty-seventh street, and grading approach to the Harlem river, from One Hundred and Forty-seventh street, where not already laid, from One Hundred and Twenty-fifth to One Hundred and Forty-fifth streets.

Eighty-fourth street paving, with trap-block pavement, and laying crosswalks from Avenue B to Avenue A.

Eighty-ninth street regulating, grading, setting curb-stones and flagging, from the Boulevard to Riverside Drive.

Ninety-first street setting curb and gutter-stones and flagging, from Eighth to Ninth avenue.

Ninety-fourth street regulating, grading, setting curb-stones and flagging, from the Boulevard to Riverside Drive.

Ninety-sixth street paving with trap-block pavement and laying crosswalks, from Third to Lexington avenue.

Ninth street setting vacant lots, both sides, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.

One Hundred and Eleventh and One Hundred and Twelfth streets fencing vacant lots, between Seventh and Eighth avenues.

One Hundred and Twelfth and One Hundred and Thirteenth streets fencing vacant lots, between Madison and Fifth avenues.

One Hundred and Thirteenth street receiving-basin, on northeast corner of Tenth avenue.

One Hundred and Fourteenth and One Hundred and Fifteenth streets fencing vacant lots, between Fourth and Fifth avenues.

One Hundred and Seventeenth street setting curb-stones and flagging, from Eighth avenue to Avenue St. Nicholas.

One Hundred and Seventeenth and One Hundred and Eighteenth streets fencing vacant lots, between Sixth and Seventh avenues.

One Hundred and Twenty-second street setting curb-stones and flagging, between New avenue, west, and Sixth avenue.

One Hundred and Twenty-third street receiving-basin, on northeast corner of Eighth avenue.

One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street regulating, grading, setting curb-stones and flagging, from Tenth avenue to Broadway.

One Hundred and Thirty-fifth and One Hundred and Thirty-sixth streets fencing vacant lots, between Seventh and Eighth avenues.

One Hundred and Fortieth street sewer, between Seventh and Eighth avenues.

One Hundred and Forty-first street sewer, between Boulevard and Diagonal avenue.

One Hundred and Fifty-third street regulating, grading, setting curb-stones and flagging, from a point 60 feet east of Seventh avenue to the first new avenue west of Eighth avenue.

One Hundred and Sixty-first street sewer, between Boston Road and Trinity avenue.

—which were confirmed by the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments, February 17, 1888, and entered 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 May 7, 1888, will be exempt from interest as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum from the date of entry in the Record of Titles of Assessments in said Bureau to the date of payment.

THEODORE W. MYERS, Comptroller.

REAL ESTATE RECORDS.

THE ATTENTION OF LAWYERS, REAL Estate Owners, Monetary Institutions engaged in making loans upon real estate, and all who are interested in providing themselves with facilities for reducing the cost of examinations and searches, is invited to these Official Indices of Records, containing all recorded transfers of real estate in the City of New York from 1853 to the present, prepared under the direction of the Commissioners of Records.

Grantees, grantees, suits in equity, insolvents' and Sheriff's sales in 61 volumes, full bound, price.....\$300 00
The same in 25 volumes, half bound.....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 Room 23, Stewart Building."

THEODORE W. MYERS, Comptroller.

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 253, No. 2. Sewers in Lexington avenue, between Eighty-ninth and Ninety-first streets, and between Ninety-third and Ninety-fourth streets.

List 253, No. 3. Paving with trap-block pavement Sixty-eighth street, from Tenth to Eleventh avenue.

List 254, No. 4. Paving with granite-block pavement and curbing One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, from Eighth to St. Nicholas avenue.

List 256, No. 5. Paving with trap-block pavement Ninety-fifth street, from Second to Third avenue.

List 257, No. 6. Sewer in Attorney street, between Broome and Delancey streets.

List 257, No. 7. Sewers in Avenue B, between Fifteenth and Sixteenth streets, and between Seventeenth and Eighteenth streets.

List 257, No. 8. Regulating, grading, setting curb-stones and flagging Claremont avenue, from One Hundred and Sixteenth to One Hundred and Twenty-second streets.

List 257, No. 9. Regulating, grading, setting curb-stones and flagging One Hundred and Twenty-first street, from Seventh avenue to Avenue St. Nicholas.

List 258, No. 10. Paving, with trap-block pavement, Ninety-seventh street, from Eighth to Ninth avenue.

List 259, No. 11. Regulating, setting curb-stones and flagging Nineteenth street, from Ninth to Tenth avenue.

List 260, No. 12. Regulating, grading, setting curb-stones and flagging One Hundred and Third street, from Eighth to Ninth avenue.

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

No. 1. Both sides of Irving place, between Fifteenth and Sixteenth streets.

No. 2. Both sides of Lexington avenue, between Eighty-ninth and Ninetieth streets; north side of Eighty-ninth street, between Lexington and Fourth avenues; east side of Fourth avenue, between Eighty-ninth and Tenth streets; both sides of Lexington avenue, between Ninetieth and Ninety-first streets, and both sides of Lexington avenue, between Ninety-third and Ninety-fourth streets.

No. 3. Both sides of Sixty-eighth street, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 4. Both sides of One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, between Eighth and St. Nicholas avenues, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 5. Both sides of Ninety-fifth street, between Second and Third avenues, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 6. Both sides of Attorney street, between Broome and Delancey streets.

No. 7. Both sides of Avenue B, between Fifteenth and Sixteenth streets, and between Seventeenth and Eighteenth streets.

No. 8. Both sides of Claremont avenue, between One Hundred and Sixteenth and One Hundred and Twenty-second streets, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 9. Both sides of One Hundred and Twenty-first street, between Seventh avenue and Avenue St. Nicholas, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 10. Both sides of Ninety-seventh street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 11. Both sides of Ninetieth street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 12. Both sides of One Hundred and Third street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections in writing to the Chairman of the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 11½ City Hall, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

The above-described lists will be transmitted as provided by law, to the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments for confirmation, on the 9th day of April, 1888.

EDWARD GILON, Chairman,
PATRICK M. HAVERLY,
CHARLES E. WENDT,
EDWARD CALL,
Board of Assessors.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS,
No. 11½ CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, March 8, 1888.

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 272, No. 1. Assessment for the expense of changing the grade of One Hundred and Tenth street, from First avenue to Riverside Drive.

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

—will be received at the Department of Public Charities and Correction, in the City of New York, until 9.30 o'clock A. M. of Friday, March 23, 1888. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, inscribed "Bid or Estimate for the purchase of 100 best quality White Pine Roofing Boards, 1" x 9", All lumber to be delivered at Blackwell's Island."

All manufacturing and other business requiring a large supply of water will be fitted with a meter.
Water measured by meter, ten cents per one hundred cubic feet.

Rate Without Meters.

PER DAY, GALLONS.	PER 100 GALLONS, RATE.	PER ANNUM, AMOUNT.
25	05	\$3 75
50	05	7 50
75	05	11 25
100	05	15 00
125	05	18 75
150	05	22 50
175	05	26 25
200	05	30 00
225	05	33 75
250	05	37 50
275	05	41 25
300	05	45 00
325	05	48 75
350	05	52 50
375	05	56 25
400	05	60 00
425	05	63 75
450	05	67 50
475	05	71 25
500	05	75 00
525	05	78 75
550	05	82 50
575	05	86 25
600	05	90 00
625	05	93 75
650	05	97 50
675	05	101 25
700	05	105 00
725	05	108 75
750	05	112 50
775	05	116 25
800	05	120 00
825	05	123 75
850	05	127 50
875	05	131 25
900	05	135 00
925	05	138 75
950	05	142 50
975	05	146 25
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1875	05	281 25
1900	05	285 00
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1950	05	292 50
1975	05	296 25
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The rate charged for steam-vessels taking water daily or belonging to daily lines, is one-half cent per gallon (Custom House measurement) for each time they take water.

Steamers taking water other than daily, one cent per gallon (Custom House measurement).

Water supplied to sailing vessels and put on board, twenty-five cents per hundred gallons.

All matters not hereinbefore embraced are reserved for special contract by and with the Commissioner of Public Works.

HYDRANTS, HOSE, TROUGHS, FOUNTAINS, ETC.

No owner or tenant will be allowed to supply water to another person or persons.

All persons taking water from the City must take their own service-pipes, street tap, and all fixtures connected therewith, in good repair, protected from frost, at their own risk and expense, and shall prevent all waste of water.

The use of hose for wash-coaches, omnibuses, wagons, railway cars or other vehicles or horses, cannot be permitted.

No horse-troughs or horse-watering fixtures will be permitted in the street or on the sidewalk, except upon a license or permits taken out for that purpose. All licenses or permits must be annually renewed on the first of May.

Such fixtures must be kept in good order and the water not allowed to drip or waste by overrunning the sidewalk or streets. No water can be used in winter by freezing in and about such troughs or fixtures.

No hydrant will be permitted on the sidewalk or in the front area, and any hydrant standing in a yard or alley, attached to any dwelling or building, must not be left running when not in actual use, and if the drip or waste from such hydrant freezes and becomes dangerous in winter, the supply will be shut off in addition to the penalty of five dollars imposed.

Taps at wash-basins, water-closets, baths and urinals must not be left running, under the penalty of five dollars for each offense, which will be strictly enforced.

Fountains or jets in hotels, porter-houses, eating-saloons, confectioneries or other buildings are strictly prohibited.

The use of hose for washing sidewalks, stoops, areas, house-fronts, yards, court-yards, gardens, and stables, is prohibited. Where premises are provided with wells, special permits will be issued for the use of hose, in order that the police or inspectors of this department may understand that the permission is not for the use of Croton water.

Opening fire-hydrants to fill hand sprinklers or other vessels will not be allowed.

The penalty for a violation of any of the preceding rules and regulations will be five dollars for each offense, and if not paid when imposed will become a lien on the premises in like manner as all other charges for unpaid water rates.

By order, JOHN NEWTON,
Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
No. 31 CHAMBERS STREET,
NEW YORK, June 21, 1887.

PUBLIC NOTICE AS TO WATER RATES

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT in compliance with the provisions of chapter 559, Laws of 1887, amending sections 350 and 361 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, passed June 9, 1887, the following changes are made in charging and collecting water rates:

1st. All extra charges for water incurred from and after June 9, 1887, shall be treated, collected and returned in arrears in the same manner as regular rates have heretofore been treated.

2d. In every building where a water meter or meters are now, or shall hereafter be in use, the charge for water by meter measurement shall be the only charge against such building, or such part thereof as is supplied through meter.

3d. The returns of arrears of water rates, including the year 1887, shall be made as heretofore on the confirmation of the tax levy by the Board of Aldermen, and shall include all charges and penalties of every nature.

4th. A penalty of five dollars (\$5) is hereby established, and will be imposed in each and every case where the rules and regulations of the Department prohibiting the use of water through hose, or in any other wasteful manner, are violated, and such penalties will be entered on the books of the Bureau against the respective buildings or property, and, if not collected, be returned in arrears in like manner as other charges for water.

5th. Charges for so-called extra water rents of every nature, imposed or incurred prior to June 9, 1887, will be canceled of record on the books of the Department.

D. LOWERY SMITH,
Deputy and Acting Commissioner of Public Works

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
No. 31 CHAMBERS STREET,
NEW YORK, November 10, 1886.

NOTICE TO CROTON WATER CONSUMERS.

NUMEROUS APPLICATIONS HAVE BEEN made to this Department by citizens claiming reductions or rebates on bills for water supplied through meters, on the alleged ground of leakage caused by defective plumbing and worn-out service pipes, or by willful

waste of water by tenants allowing the faucets to be turned on in full force in water-closets, sinks, etc., without the knowledge or consent of the owners of the premises.

The main object of the use of water-meters is to enable this Department to detect and check the useless and unwarrantable waste of an element so valuable and essential to the health and comfort of all the citizens, and this object can only be accomplished by enforcing payment for the water wasted.

Under the law all charges for water supplied through meters are a lien against the respective premises, and the law therefore holds the owner of the premises responsible for the amount of water used or wasted.

Notice is therefore given to all householders that, in all further applications for reduction of water rents, no allowance will be made on account of waste of water occurring through leaks from defective service pipes or plumbing, or wasteful use of water by tenants or occupants of buildings, though such leakage or waste may have occurred without the knowledge or consent of the owners of the buildings.

House-owners are further notified that whenever their premises become vacant, and are likely to remain vacant, they must notify this Department in writing, and that unless this requirement is complied with no deductions in extra water rents will be allowed for any portion of one year.

JOHN NEWTON,
Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
No. 31 CHAMBERS STREET,
NEW YORK, September 29, 1886.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

PERSONS HAVING ANY BUSINESS IN THIS Department which is not assigned to or transacted by the several Bureaux in the Department, and which should come under the immediate notice of the Commissioner of Public Works, are requested to communicate directly in person, or by letter, to the Commissioner.

JOHN NEWTON,
Commissioner of Public Works.

ARMORY BOARD.

ARMORY BOARD—OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,
STAATS ZEITUNG BUILDING, TRYON ROW,
NEW YORK, March 12, 1888.

PROPOSALS FOR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING MATERIALS AND PERFORMING IRON WORK IN THE ERECTION OF AN ARMORY BUILDING ON THE BLOCK BOUNDED BY THE BOULEVARD, NINTH AVENUE, SIXTY-SEVENTH AND SIXTY-EIGHTH STREETS, NEW YORK CITY.

Any person making an estimate for the above work shall submit the same in a sealed envelope to the President of said Armory Board, indorsed, "Estimate for Furnishing Materials and Performing Iron Work in the Erection of an Armory Building for the Twenty-second Regiment, N. G. S. N. Y.," and also with the name of the person or persons presenting the same, and the date of its presentation.

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect; and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, each in the amount of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000).

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Where more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

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

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No estimate will be received or considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the State or National Banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money, to the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1,000). Such check or money must not be enclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Board 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 by the Comptroller to the persons making the same, within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited and retained by the City of New York, as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him by the Comptroller.

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

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The Board reserves the right to reject any and all estimates not deemed beneficial to or for the public interest. Plans may be examined, and specifications and blank forms for bids or estimates obtained, by application to the architect, at his office, No. 15 Cortlandt street, New York City.

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ARMORY BOARD—OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,
STAATS ZEITUNG BUILDING, TRYON ROW,
NEW YORK CITY, March 12, 1888.

PROPOSALS FOR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING MATERIALS AND PERFORMING PLUMBING AND GAS-FITTING WORK IN THE ERECTION OF AN ARMORY BUILDING ON THE BLOCK BOUNDED BY THE BOULEVARD, NINTH AVENUE, SIXTY-SEVENTH AND SIXTY-EIGHTH STREETS, NEW YORK CITY.

Any person making an estimate for the above work shall submit the same in a sealed envelope to the President of said Armory Board, indorsed, "Estimate for Furnishing Materials and Performing Plumbing and Gas-fitting Work in the Erection of an Armory Building for the Twenty-second Regiment, N. G. S. N. Y.," and also with the name of the person or persons presenting the same, and the date of its presentation.

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect; and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, each in the amount of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000).

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ARMORY BOARD—OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,
STAATS ZEITUNG BUILDING, TRYON ROW,
NEW YORK, March 12, 1888.

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