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### LAW DEPARTMENT.

#### OPINIONS OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION.

Where any of the wharves, piers, bulkheads, slips, docks and basins constructed under the provisions of chapter 574, of the laws of 1871, are open to public use, the Dock Department may appropriate either of them to the sole use of special kinds of commerce, and may lease such property for a term not exceeding ten years.

The proper mode of exercising the power conferred by that act stated.

LAW DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF THE  
COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,  
NEW YORK, November 25, 1873.

*The Honorable, the Commissioners of the Department of Docks,*

GENTLEMEN:—Your letter of the 28th ultimo states that you have under consideration a petition from the Hoboken Land Improvement Company for the building of new piers 43 and 44 North River and the extending of the intermediate bulkhead westerly to the new bulkhead line, and for the lease of the said bulkhead and the slip for ferry purposes similar to those enjoyed by the company at the existing bulkhead foot of Christopher street. You ask to be advised whether you have the power to appropriate the premises in question for the special commercial interests petitioned for, and to make a lease thereof at public auction or otherwise.

You also submit to me the resolution of your Department providing for a lease for the term of ten years (with renewal of five years) of piers Nos. 44 and 45 North River, with adjacent bulkhead, to the Oceanic Steam Navigation Company, in respect to which similar questions arise.

The counsel of the last named company has submitted to me a form of preamble and resolutions in reference to the lease proposed to be made to that company, which I have considered in connection with the questions presented by your letter.

Subdivision 6 of the sixth section, of chapter 574, of the Laws of 1871, provides in express terms that when any of the wharves, piers, bulkheads, slips, docks and basins, constructed under the provisions of that act shall be opened to public use, the Board of the Department of Docks shall regulate the charges for wharfage, etc.; also that the Board may appropriate any of such wharves, piers, bulkheads, etc., to the sole use of special kinds of commerce, and may, in the name and for the benefit of the Corporation of the City, lease any or all of such property for a term not exceeding ten years; also, that leases other than for districts appropriated by the Board to special commercial interests shall be made at public auction.

Under these provisions there is no doubt that the Commissioners are clothed with power to contract with proper parties to lease the piers to be constructed under the act.

In order properly to conform to the directions of subdivision 6, it is advisable that in every case where the piers, etc. are appropriated to the sole use of special kinds of commerce, such appropriation should be made by resolution of the Department, and I approve of the form herewith transmitted as appropriate for any case in which your Board sees fit to make such special appropriation. The recitals contained in the accompanying form relate to the case of the Oceanic Steam Navigation Company, but may be made applicable to any case as it arises.

You will perceive in what I have written that after due consideration, I have adopted the views of the counsel for the Oceanic Steam Navigation

Company, Mr. Wm. Allen Butler, who was kind enough to submit them to me in writing.

I am, gentlemen,  
Very respectfully,  
Your obedient servant,  
E. DELAFIELD SMITH,  
Counsel to the Corporation.

NOTE.—The following is the form of the preamble and resolutions referred to in the foregoing opinion.

Whereas, This Board, with the consent and approval of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, are now constructing new piers, Numbers 44 and 45, North river, with adjacent bulkheads, under the provisions of law authorizing such construction:

And whereas, the Oceanic Steam Navigation Company have applied for a lease of said piers 44 and 45, with bulkhead between, together with one-half of the bulkheads between piers 45 and 46, adjoining pier 45, when the same shall be opened to the public use;

And whereas, in the judgment of this Board, it is for the public interest that said piers and bulkheads be appropriated to the sole use of the special kind of commerce in which said Oceanic Steam Navigation Company is engaged, to wit: the business of regular steam packets, plying between this port and foreign ports, and the despatch of vessels from this port to foreign ports, by corporations or firms maintaining regular lines of communication between this port and foreign ports; and said piers and adjacent bulkheads are hereby appropriated by this Board, and shall be a district for the special commercial interest hereinbefore described.

Therefore, be it resolved, that this Board will, when said piers and bulkheads above named shall be opened to the public use, lease the same for the term of ten years to the said Oceanic Steam Navigation Company at the yearly rent of forty-five thousand (\$45,000) dollars, payable on the usual quarter days at a proportionate rent, when either of the said piers shall be ready for occupancy. The said company to have the option, at the expiration of said term of ten years, of an extension of said lease at an additional rent of \$500, and the further considerations hereinafter named.

Said company agreeing to erect on said piers, under the supervision of this Department and in conformity with the fire laws of this city, and in accordance with plans to be filed in this Department, suitable sheds for the protection of freight; and in case said company shall, after the expiration of the term of ten years, determine to lease the premises above referred to for the further term, then and in that case all the sheds, buildings and other improvements erected by said company shall revert to the city for its use, free of all charge, at the expiration of said extended term. The said extended term shall be five years from the expiration of the first term.

This Department to dredge the slips adjacent to said pier so as to give a depth of twenty-five (25) feet below water; and said company when in possession of said premises and until the expiration of their lease to do all necessary dredging at their own cost and expense and keep in order the surface planking, string pieces and mooring piles of said piers.

The said company also to have the privilege of erecting and maintaining on any part of the demised premises, or the slips adjacent thereto, any structure necessary for their business, which may lawfully be erected and maintained;

Resolved, That a copy of these proceedings, duly certified by the Secretary, be communicated to said Oceanic Steam Navigation Company, and that upon the acceptance of the same in writing by said company these proceedings and such acceptance shall be and constitute an agreement binding upon this Board and said company for the making and acceptance of a lease in due form, and containing the usual covenants in leases made by this Department, of the premises herein before described upon the premises and conditions herein before specified. The term of said lease to commence when the entire work of constructing said piers, including bulkhead, is completed; the rent to commence, as to any portion of said premises, as soon as the same are ready for occupation.

The Police Department have no authority under Chapter 168, of the Laws of 1862, to inspect steam boilers in private or public buildings used to generate steam for heating purposes only.

November, 25th.

*The Honorable the Commissioners of the Police Department:*

GENTLEMEN:—In a communication received from the Department of Police on the 22d instant, my opinion is asked as to the proper construction of a law authorizing that body to inspect steam boilers in this city.

The act referred to (Chapter 68, Laws of 1862,) provides as follows:

Section 1.—Every owner of a steam boiler or boilers in use in the Metropolitan Police District, shall annually, and at such convenient times, and in such manner and form as may be by rules and regulations to be made therefor by the Metropolitan Police Board be provided, report to the said Metropolitan Police Board at its headquarters the location of such steam boiler or boilers, and thereupon, and as soon thereafter as practicable, the Metropolitan Sanitary Company or such member or members thereof as may be competent for the duty herein prescribed, and may be detailed for such duty by the Metropolitan Police Board.

The authority given in this act to the Metropolitan Police Force, has by subsequent legislation been fully vested in the present Police Board.

This law was, in my judgment, enacted to enable the Police Department to inspect boilers connected with steam engines wherever used in manufactories or other buildings in the city, and did not contemplate the inspection of steam boilers connected with heating apparatus either in public edifices or in private dwelling houses. It is well known that at the present time a great many private residences in the city are heated with steam, and that in every such case a boiler is a necessity.

Should any other construction be given to the law, it would involve the inspection of the steam heating apparatus in every building public and private. I am of the opinion that the framers of this act had no such object in view, and that all inspections should be confined to cases where boilers are used to generate steam for other than heating purposes.

I am, sir,

Very respectfully yours,  
E. DELAFIELD SMITH,  
Counsel to the Corporation.

Where land in the City of New York lies too low to be drained by the ordinary sewers, the Commissioner of Public Works is authorized by law to direct the construction of blind drains or other necessary works to procure the proper drainage; and reasonable charges for earth fillings along such drains, although not expressly mentioned in the act of the Legislature on this subject, may be included in the cost.

LAW DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF THE  
COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,  
NEW YORK, Nov. 21, 1873.

*Hon. Andrew H. Green, Comptroller,*

SIR:—A communication from you states that requisitions have been drawn upon the Finance Department by the Department of Public Works for underground drains in Ninety-sixth and One Hundred and Eleventh streets, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues, and in Seventy-fourth and Ninety-second streets, between Eighth and Tenth avenues, under authority of chapter 566 of the Laws of 1871. You inform me that in these requisitions a large amount of earth filling is mentioned, none of which appears to you to be allowable under the act; and you remark that the law seems merely to provide for a blind drain to be carried along the natural water course to the sewer until the adjacent river shall be reached.

You request me to inform you whether the charge for earth filling can be allowed under the act, and whether any amount paid therefor can be legally computed in the assessment for the work.

The act in substance provides that whenever it shall appear to be necessary for the protection of the public health that any land within the corporate limits of the city needs to be drained by other means than sewers, such drainage shall be effected by the Department of Public Works. All land below the levels of the adjacent sewers upon which surface water remains stagnant, or through which water courses run, may, under

the act, be so drained by a properly constructed blind drain carried along such natural water course until it can be made to enter any sewer at its proper level; or when such sewer cannot be reached, it can be carried to the adjacent river.

In constructing the underground drains mentioned in the requisitions to which you refer, I am informed by the engineer in charge of sewers in the Department of Public Works, that large quantities of earth filling have been necessarily resorted to. While it is true that the statute does not in express terms authorize what is called earth filling, yet the power given to the Department of Public Works to construct the drains in question must be legally held to carry with it authority to take such steps as to make them useful for the purposes of their construction. The Engineer, who has been before me, explains that unless large amounts of earth filling had been used on both sides of the drain, no effective drainage of the lands in question could have been accomplished.

The intention of the act was to provide for the drainage of lands lying too low to be properly drained by the sewers. Often this cannot be done without such earth filling as has been performed by the contractors for this work. These charges are, therefore, in my opinion, manifestly authorized by the law.

The third section of the act provides that all lands directly or indirectly benefited by such drains between the adjacent streets and avenues, shall be liable to assessment *pro rata* in proportion to the direct or indirect benefit derived from the construction of the drain; and that assessments shall be made and collected as other assessments for public benefits are provided for, and the assessments are to become a lien upon the property benefited.

It follows that assessments may be made for the several works mentioned in your letter, not only for the drains themselves, but also for the earth fillings included in the accounts. (See Laws of 1871, Volume II., page 1203.)

I am, sir,

Very respectfully yours,  
E. DELAFIELD SMITH,  
Counsel to the Corporation.

### FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT,  
CITY OF NEW YORK,  
November 21, 1873.

The Board of Commissioners met this day as above.

Present—President Joseph L. Perley in the chair, and Commissioners Roosevelt D. Hatch and Cornelius Van Cott.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Communications were received and disposed of as follows:

From the Fire Marshal, reporting explosion of a kerosene lamp. Referred to the Inspector of Combustibles.

The Inspector of Combustibles, transmitting estimate of materials required. Referred to the Superintendent of Supplies, with directions to purchase.

The same, transmitting weekly report for week ending November 15, 1873. Filed.

Foreman Engine Co. No. 9, reports finding of belt and wrench of Fireman Moore. Filed.

Foreman Engine Co. No. 27 reports inspection of Nos. 390 and 392, Greenwich street. Referred to the Inspector of Combustibles.

Foreman Hook and Ladder Co. No. 6, requesting transfer to an engine company. Filed.

Assistant Foreman Chambers, Engine Co. No. 24, applying for promotion. Referred to the Examining Board.

Assistant Foreman Harris, Engine Co. No. 38, requesting transfer. Filed.

Fireman A. J. Peterson, Engine Co. No. 1, requesting transfer. Filed.

Assistant Engineer of Steamer R. R. Farrell, Engine Co. No. 3, applying for promotion to Assistant Foreman. Referred to Examining Board.

Fireman George W. Janes, Engine Co. No. 8, requesting transfer. Filed.

Fireman Wm. Cummings, Engine Co. No. 17, requesting transfer. Filed.

The Comptroller, transmitting statement of condition of appropriation for the week ending on the 15th inst. Filed.

The Superintendent of Police, requesting that 100 additional keys to fire alarm boxes be furnished for increased force of police. Referred to the Superintendent of Telegraph, with directions to issue.

Lewis L. Loutrel, Esq., requesting issue of a badge to him. Denied.

Israel Minor, Jr., stating that the Wilcox & Gibbs Sewing Machine Company have premises on Great Jones street suitable for an engine house, etc. Filed, with directions to make inquiry relative to the same.



The Superintendent of Sales, Gutta Percha and Rubber Manufacturing Company, offering to have in readiness at store 1,000 feet of coupled hose, and to give the Department access thereto at all times, etc. Filed.

Reports

were received from the Examining Board of Engineers on the applications for promotion of the following members of the Department:

- Fireman James Deery, Engine Co. No. 12. Filed.
Fireman Joseph Williams, Engine Co. No. 29. Filed.
Fireman Joseph Creagle, Engine Co. No. 26. Filed. See Promotions.

Death

of Engineer of Steamer Thomas Powers, Engine Co. No. 4, on 18th inst., of paralysis, was reported by the Foreman commanding company. Communication filed.

Dismissals

were ordered as follows, on the recommendation of the Committee on Discipline, having been tried and found guilty of the charges preferred against them:

- Foreman John W. Van Orden, Hook and Ladder Co. No. 7. To take effect on the 23d inst.
Assistant Foreman Malachi Donohue, Engine Company No. 14. To take effect on the 23d inst.
Fireman Patrick Donnelly, Engine Co. No. 7. To take effect on the 30th inst.
By resolution of the Board, to take effect on the 30th inst.:
Eugene French, calker.
John Grogan, harnessmaker.

Fines

were imposed, on the recommendation of the Committee on Discipline, as follows:
Fireman James T. Holmes, Hook and Ladder Co. No. 6, to forfeit one day's pay.

Promotions

were made as follows, to take effect on the 1st proximo:
Assistant Foreman Charles Chambers to be Foreman.
Fireman William W. Brower to be Assistant Foreman.
Fireman John McCabe to be Assistant Foreman.
Fireman Joseph Creagle to be Assistant Engineer of Steamer.

Appointments

were made as follows:
To take effect on the 22d inst.:
Michael Gately, as wheelwright, at \$3.50 per day.
To take effect on the 1st proximo:
Henry Scherman, as blacksmith's helper, at \$3 per day.
Dennis Smith, as laborer, at \$3 per day.
Frederick Coppers, as fireman, assigned to Engine Co. No. 32.
John McCarthy, as fireman, assigned to Hook and Ladder Co. No. 3.
Andrew Gafney, as fireman, assigned to Engine Co. No. 15.
James Daly, as fireman, assigned to Engine Co. No. 26.
Abraham Walton, as fireman, assigned to Hook and Ladder Co. No. 4.
Frank McLaughlin, as fireman, assigned to Hook and Ladder Co. No. 5.
Rossman Husted, as fireman, assigned to Engine Co. No. 15.

Transfers

were ordered to take effect on the 1st proximo, as follows:
Foreman John Ward, Engine Co. No. 30 to Engine Co. No. 19.
Foreman Thomas Leonard, Engine Co. No. 19 to Hook and Ladder Co. No. 9.
Foreman George Gillies, Hook and Ladder Co. No. 9 to Hook and Ladder Co. No. 7.
Foreman Joseph McGill, Engine Co. No. 7 to Engine Co. No. 30.
Foreman George McLaughlin, Engine Co. No. 4 to Engine Co. No. 7.
Foreman Francis Murray, Hook and Ladder Co. No. 6 to Engine Co. No. 29.
Foreman John H. Kehoe, Engine Co. No. 29 to Hook and Ladder Co. No. 6.
Assistant Foreman John Mulligan, Engine Co. No. 15 to Engine Co. No. 5.
Assistant Foreman Thomas Judge, Engine Co. No. 5 to Engine Co. No. 15.

Assignment

Foreman Charles Chambers, to Engine Co. No. 4.

Bills Audited

and ordered sent to the Comptroller for payment:

Table with 2 columns: Item description and Amount. Includes National Stove Works, Cummings, agent, Siney & Langstroth, Quackenbush, Townsend & Co., Amoskeag Manufg Co., Geo. Hovey & Sons, Gutta Percha & Rubber Mfg. Co., R. J. Wright, horse, feed and straw, Star Linseed Oil Co., H. S. Ward & Co., D. C. Newell & Sons, New York Gas Light Co., Metropolitan, Harlem, L. G. Tillotson & Co., Cornelius Winant, Gutta Percha & Rub. Mfg. Co., Frazer Lubricator Co., Isaac H. Dahlman, C. & H. Hayman, E. G. Hilton.

Resolutions

were adopted as follows:
On motion of President Perley—
Resolved, That the Superintendent of Tele-

graph be and he hereby is directed to make an inspection of the territory of Westchester county, recently annexed to this city, and ascertain the number of fire alarm boxes and such other telegraphic appurtenances as will be required to put the same in communication with these headquarters, and report to the Board of Commissioners without delay.

On motion of Commissioner Hatch—
Resolved, That the Chief of Department be and he hereby is directed to ascertain what number of men and apparatus will be required, in case of fires, to cover the territory of Westchester county, recently annexed to this city, and report the same to the Board of Commissioners at the earliest possible moment.
Adjourned.

W. B. WHITE, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

DAILY MEETINGS NOV. 17TH TO 22D, 1873.

Present — Commissioners Laimbeer, Bowen, Stern.

Communications.

From Almshouse, Charity, Small-pox, Fever, Bellevue, Reception Hospitals, Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's Island, New York City Asylum for the Insane, Ward's Island—Reporting daily census of these institutions. Ordered on file.

From Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's Island, and New York City Asylum for the Insane on Ward's Island—Reporting number of inmates and how employed. Ordered on file.

From Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's Island, and New York City Asylum for the Insane, Ward's Island—History of patients admitted. Referred to Examining Clerk.

From Alms House—Amount of labor performed by mechanics (inmates) for week ending November 22d, 1873. Ordered on file.

From Alms House—On estimate of quantity of clothing required. Ordered on file.

From Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's Island—Complaint against Bridget O'Neill, nurse. Ordered to be discharged.

From Penitentiary—Transferring Caleb Gunnion to work house. Ordered on file.

From Store House—On reorganizing Clothing Bureau. Ordered that William Cashman, Mastin Tailor, be transferred from Randall's Island.

From Inebriate Asylum—Thomas Benton on duty as attendant in place of George Perkins, appointed night watch. Ordered on file.

From Superintendent of out door poor—Monthly report for October, 1873. Ordered on file.

From Pearson & Shedlock—Acknowledging receipt of communication November 14th to Dwight H. Olmstead, on basement of Free Labor Bureau not being occupied as a first class restaurant. Ordered on file.

From Herman Knapp, M. D. accepting appointment as visiting physician to Charity Hospital. Ordered on file.

From Warfords, Baker & Co.—Transmitting receipt for the delivery of steamer Moses Taylor in good order. Ordered on file.

From Nursery Randall's Island—To transfer Mrs. Quinn, assistant matron to quarantine, and Mrs. Smith, head nurse to Infants nursery. So ordered.

From City Prison—For change of locks on doors leading to Court of Special Sessions. Ordered to be done.

From Convalescent Hospital—On appointing Wm. Silverthorne as orderly. Appointed.

From John D. Ottwell—Proposals to furnish stoves for 18th Ward market. All action postponed until appropriation asked of the Board of Apportionment shall have been acted on.

Steam Boat Moses Taylor.

By Commissioner Laimbeer:
Resolved, That the Boat Moses Taylor be suspended from further service of this Department, and that the owners be so informed this day.
Nov. 18, 1873. Adopted.

Engine House N. Y. City Asylum, Ward's Island.

By Commissioner Laimbeer:
Resolved, That the Supervising Engineer be instructed to place girder and columns of yellow pine, of suitable size, say 12 x 12, in the engine house of Insane Asylum, Ward's Island, to secure the roof of said building from falling. The base stone to be obtained from Blackwell's Island.
Nov. 18, 1873. Adopted.

Free Labor Bureau.

Pearson and Shedlock acknowledging receipt of communication, Nov. 14th, to Dwight H. Olmstead, on basement of Free Labor Bureau not being occupied as first class restaurant.
Nov. 18, 1873.

OFFICE OF CITY PRISON, NEW YORK, NOV. 19, 1873.

Hon. Wm. Laimbeer, President:

SIR:—William J. Sharkey, a prisoner who is convicted of murder, escaped from City Prison this afternoon at about fifteen minutes after one o'clock. A woman named Sarah Allen called to see Sharkey. She received a ticket from the keeper in warden's office when she passed into the prison (which ticket she should have been instructed by the keeper to safely keep and return to him when she would leave the prison). Sharkey was in cell 40 on second tier of male prison. His iron door was locked. At this time Keeper Phillips was in charge of the second tier, and all visitors to male prison had to pass through the gate of which he had the key, and which is always to be kept locked. Keeper Finlin was at the gate in warden's office, and had the key of the iron door in his possession. All visitors to the City Prison have to pass through the door of

which he has charge. Keeper Falconer was in charge at the warden's office gate giving tickets to visitors to the prison.

All the above named keepers (Phillips, Finlin, and Falconer) have instructions to inform each visitor to be careful of their tickets, and to give them to no person, except the keeper in Wardens office from whom they were received.

At two o'clock this afternoon the woman named Sarah Allen presented herself at the gate in the Wardens office, to be passed out and stated that she had lost her ticket. I was sitting in my office and Mr. Finley went into the prison to inquire if any prisoner had escaped, and he was informed by keeper Phillips that his tier was all right, that he had his cells examined and all his prisoners were safe.

But Mr. Finley ordering the cells to be examined again, keeper Dwyer discovered that Sharkey was missing, when the woman Allen reported in the office that her ticket was lost, and as Mr. Finley was passing, keeper Falconer to go into the prison, keeper Falconer told him that a person who was dressed in womans clothes had passed out on a ticket some time before, that the person walked like a man, and that he had sent Keeper Finlin after the person to investigate. The police officer who was stationed in front of the office observed the person passing out of the warden's office, and stated that he called the attention of keepers in the front office to the fact, but that they said it was none of their business, that the keepers inside of the prison were responsible.

The above mentioned keepers, Phillips, Finlin, and Falconer, were well acquainted with the features of said Sharkey. He had to pass through the gate of which they had charge. They should have examined his ticket and his features. They should have known that no such visitor passed into the prison, and they should have detected him immediately when he was escaping from them. They can have no excuse for permitting him to escape. When Keeper Finlin's attention was called to the person passing out of the office by Keeper Falconer, it was his duty to instantly arrest the person. Keeper Falconer, of course, could have caught him himself. He could either have prevented him passing through the gate, or, when he discovered the suspicious movements, he could have caught him instantly, as there was a police officer in front of the door; and by his own statement Keeper Finlin was present to assist him. Or, if he even gave the alarm, both myself and Mr. Finley were inside of the railing in another part of the office, and we would have caught him before he could escape. Keeper Phillips had charge of the second tier, from which Sharkey escaped. He must have permitted Sarah Allen to pass out of the prison without showing her ticket, or else he had information from her that her ticket was lost, and he neglected to give an alarm instantly to the office (the bell being at his hand for the purpose of giving an alarm.) And if he had no knowledge of her ticket being lost, why did he inform Mr. Finley, who had ordered him to examine his cells, that he had his cells examined, and his prisoners were all right, when it was at that instant the first information was received in the office of the loss of the ticket. I have Sarah Allen in custody on the charge of aiding Sharkey to escape, and I would respectfully request that the above mentioned keepers be instantly removed by the Honorable Board, and that the matter be placed before the District Attorney to investigate, to see if some of the keepers could not be held for aiding the prisoner to escape.

I caused the arrest of Margaret Jordan at 6:30 P. M. on suspicion of opening Sharkey's cell door, and passing in the bundle of clothes. She was in the prison to see him this afternoon.

I have suspended keepers Phillips, Finlin and Falconer from duty until the further orders of your honorable Board.

Yours, very respectfully,

WM. JOHNSTON, Warden.

City Prison.

By Commissioner Stern:
Resolved, That a full investigation into the escape of William J. Sharkey, from the Tombs, be made this day at 1 o'clock P. M., at the City Prison, and that each member of this Commission be present.
Nov. 20, 1873. Adopted.

City Prison.

By Commissioner Bowen:
Resolved, That Keepers Phillips, Finlin and Falconer, of the 1st District Prison, be dismissed from this date.
Nov. 20, 1873. Adopted.

City Prison.

By Commissioner Laimbeer:
Resolved, That the examination of the escape of William J. Sharkey be made to-day at the Tombs by a full Board, commencing at 11 o'clock.
Nov. 21, 1873. Adopted.

Commissioners Bowen and Stern think the facts all in hand now. I do not.

WM. LAIMBEER.

City Prison.

By Commissioner Bowen:
Resolved, That the Warden of the City Prison be directed to report forthwith to this Board the names of all keepers incompetent or unfaithful in the discharge of their duties.
Nov. 21, 1873. Adopted.

Board of Apportionment.

By Commissioner Bowen:
Resolved, That application be made to the Board of Apportionment for the further sum of \$8,000 for the year 1873, and the further sum of \$17,000 for the year 1874, for the extraordinary application for the relief of the poor.
Nov. 21, 1873. Adopted.

Temporary use of Buildings.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, }
November 14, 1873. }

Hon. Wm. Laimbeer, President:

SIR:—Herewith find copy of resolution of Commissioners of Sinking Fund, setting apart sundry buildings belonging to the Corporation for the temporary use of the Department of Charities and Correction.

Yours respectfully,
ANDREW H. GREEN, Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK, }
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, }
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NOV. 14, 1873. }

At a meeting of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, held November 13, 1873, the following resolution was adopted, viz.:

Resolved, That the premises known as the Eighteenth Ward Market, No. 49 Leonard street and No. 61 Thompson street, be and the same are hereby set apart, and appropriated, for temporary use during the winters of 1873-4 by the Commissioners of Charities and Correction, to continue during the pleasure of this Board.

W. H. DIKEMAN, Clerk.

Free Labor Bureau.

Chief Clerk submitting an estimate of salaries of employes and the minimum sum required.
Nov. 21, 1873. By the Board.

Ordered, That the within organization be adopted, and that until the further action of the Board the following officers be allowed the salaries opposite their respective names:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Salary. Includes Thomas W. Egan, chief clerk, \$1,500 per annum; Louis P. Eldridge, clerk, 600; Clara Mollon, matron, 600; J. E. O'Keefe, clerk, 360; 4 boys at \$15 per month, 720; Janitress and assistant, 440.

And that the services of all other employes be dispensed with on the 1st December, 1873.

JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

At meetings of the Board governing this Department, held October 30th and November 1st, 1873 All the Commissioners present; the following action was had.

Organization, Apportionments, etc.

Thomas Wright, appointed Engineer on dredge No. 1, to fill vacancy; salary \$95 per month.
John M. Costa, appointed Collection Clerk, vice Walton Townsend, removed; salary \$2,500 per annum.

R. Bleecker Rathborne, appointed Clerk in office of the Engineer-in-chief, for one year without compensation.

Repairs, etc. ordered.

Lessees of pier foot of 7th street, E. R., notified to make necessary repairs thereto without delay.

Owners of northerly half of pier 59, E. R., notified to dredge the adjoining slips to such depth as may be necessary for its free use and to remove the sunken stones therefrom forthwith, and that he will be held liable for any and all damage caused by said stones remaining in said slip.

Owner of pier 35 1/2 E. R., notified to make necessary repairs thereto without delay, and that if the work is not commenced within ten days further action will be taken.

Lessees of pier 43 E. R., notified that extensive repairs are required thereto, and that if the work is not commenced within ten days, further action will be taken.

Supt. Turner directed to make necessary repairs to dumping board, foot of 22d street, E. R.

Miscellaneous.

Commissioner of Public Works requested to make necessary repairs to pavement of street at piers 46, 47 and 48 E. R.

Narragansett Steam Ship Company, notified to remove all the piles driven in front of bulkhead, between pier 28 and 29 N. R. Commerce being obstructed thereby, and that, if not removed within ten days, a penalty will be imposed, of \$50 for each and every day thereafter, during which said piles shall remain in said slip.

Engineer-in-Chief, authorized to detail David T. Keiller, draughtsman, to proceed to Albany for the purpose of making tracings of maps on file in office of Secretary of State, in order to complete the map of the water front of this City, now being prepared by the Department.

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**HEALTH DEPARTMENT.**

HEALTH DEPARTMENT,  
NEW YORK, Nov. 25, 1873.  
No. 301 Mott street.

The Board of Health met this day.  
*Orders.*

160 orders for the abatement of nuisances were made.

*Suits for Penalties.*

The attorney was directed to commence suits for non-compliance with the orders of the Board in 28 cases.

*Reports Received.*

From the Sanitary Superintendent:  
On the operations of the Sanitary Bureau.  
On contagious diseases.  
On slaughter houses.  
On the operations of the offal dock and manure dumps.  
On applications for permits.  
On application for sewer in Montgomery street.  
On condition of street pavements, &c.  
On drainage of premises west side 10th avenue, 300 feet north of 176th street.  
From the Register of Records:  
Weekly letter on mortality.  
Weekly mortality report.  
From the Attorney:  
On non-compliance with order No. 2,992 on premises Nos. 172 and 174 Washington street.

*Communications from City Departments.*

From the Police Department:  
Weekly report of the captain of the Sanitary Company of Police.  
From the Comptroller:  
Weekly statement for week ending Nov. 22, 1873.

*Reports Referred to Other Departments for the Necessary Action.*

To the Department of Public Works:  
On street pavements, &c., as follows:  
Street pavement in Mott street, between Broome and Spring streets.  
Public drain at east side Kingsbridge road, running from 184th street north.  
On application for sewer in Montgomery street.

*Bills Audited.*

Francis Swift, for removing night soil, for week ending Nov. 21st. . . . . \$634 62  
Francis Swift, for removing offal, &c., for week ending Nov. 21st. . . . . 288 46  
W. & J. Sloan. . . . . 10 50  
John Conway. . . . . 15 00  
Pay rolls for the month of November, 1873 . . . . . 10,939 87

*Permits Granted.*

To keep two cows at No. 527 West 52d street.  
" fifteen chickens at No. 352 1st ave.  
" Geese at No. 22 Mott street.  
To render fresh lard at No. 765 9th avenue.

*Permits Denied.*

To keep a goat at No. 578 9th avenue.  
To keep twenty-five chickens at No. 18 Ludlow street.

*Resolutions.*

That the pay rolls of this Department for the month of November, 1873, when approved by the Chairman of the Finance Committee, shall be duly certified by the President and Secretary, and forwarded to the Comptroller for payment.  
That the Sanitary Superintendent be authorized and directed by and with the approval of the Finance Committee, to enter into a contract for the execution of Order No. 2992, Form 2, Current Series, with some suitable person who shall be willing to perform the work required by such order, and collect the estimated value thereof from the owners and representatives of the property benefited thereby.  
That for the purpose of facilitating the making of such contract, the assent of the owners and representatives of the property mentioned in the foregoing resolution be obtained as far as practicable by the Sanitary Superintendent, to an agreement approved by the attorney, for the payment of the expenses incurred under the said resolution, the amount thereof to be apportioned upon the basis of the relative frontage of the several premises adjacent to the alley and yard affected by such order.

That rule 35 be amended, so as to read as follows:  
35. The Chief Officer of the Sanitary Bureau shall be called "the Sanitary Superintendent and City Sanitary Inspector."  
That the Secretary be authorized to contract with Endicott & Co., for lithographing and printing plates and charts for the annual report of 1872.

**SANITARY BUREAU.**

The following is a record of the work performed in the Sanitary Bureau for the week ending Nov. 22, 1873:  
The total number of inspections made by the Sanitary and Assistant Sanitary Inspectors was 1,821, as follows, viz: 4 public buildings, 998 tenement houses, 115 private dwellings, 134 other dwellings, 14 manufactories and workshops, 25 stores and warehouses, 77 stables, 1 cattle yard, 32 slaughter houses, 1 lard rendering establishment, 5 fat-rendering establishments, 3 manure dumps, 2 breweries, 1 pier and dock, 17 sunken and vacant lots, 61 yards, courts and areas, 6 cellars and basements, 49 waste pipes and drains, 102 privies and water closets, 103 street gutters and sidewalks, 3 dangerous stairways, 19 other nuisances, and 4 visits of the Sanitary Inspectors to cases of contagious disease.

The number of reports thereon received from the Sanitary and Assistant Sanitary Inspectors was 581.

During the past week 41 complaints were received from citizens and referred to the Sanitary

**BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS.**

**CONDENSED STATEMENT OF MORTALITY.**

REPORTED MORTALITY (week ending Nov. 15th,) AND THE ACTUAL MORTALITY (each day in the week, ending at noon, Nov. 22d, 1873,) WITH AN ENUMERATION OF THE CHIEF CAUSES OF DEATH.

Annual Death-rate per 1,000 during week (Population estimated at 1,000,000.)	Deaths in corresponding week 1872.	Average Deaths in corresponding week for the past 5 years.	Total actual Mortality during the Week ending Nov. 15	Actual number of Deaths each day.							Total Deaths from all Causes.	Deaths Reported during the week ending Nov. 22.
				November 15.	November 14.	November 13.	November 12.	November 11.	November 10.	November 9.		
27.82	463	417.6	535	72	57	79	97	91	74	65	519	519
6.97	140	98.2	134	23	9	26	31	19	17	9	144	144
6.65	111	110.6	128	18	21	13	20	22	14	20	113	113
10.61	168	164.6	204	24	21	26	40	36	29	28	209	209
2.08	22	26.4	40	5	3	10	2	5	9	6	38	38
1.51	22	17.8	39	2	3	4	4	9	5	2	15	15
.05	6	4.0	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	2
.10	3	2.6	2	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	4	4
1.30	17	12.2	25	8	3	3	8	..	3	..	23	23
1.82	18	6.0	35	8	2	8	5	6	3	3	40	40
.94	28	16.4	18	1	..	4	4	4	3	2	24	24
.27	2	5.4	5	1	1	1	1	..	..	1	6	6
..	3	1.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
.47	6	7.4	9	..	1	2	2	1	1	2	4	4
1.14	27	20.8	32	3	2	2	5	3	6	1	15	15
.73	13	11.8	14	2	1	1	4	1	4	1	9	9
.05	5	5.4	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	6	6
.36	5	7.8	7	2	2	..	..	..	2	1	7	7
4.26	77	77.6	82	8	14	10	15	12	8	15	81	81
.99	10	11.0	19	3	3	1	3	5	2	2	12	12
.62	13	11.6	12	2	2	2	..	2	2	2	5	5
.52	16	17.0	10	1	2	..	3	..	3	1	8	8
.68	11	12.0	13	1	1	1	2	4	1	3	9	9
1.92	43	50.8	37	1	5	2	8	6	7	8	41	41
1.04	18	14.0	20	5	1	2	2	7	3	..	25	25
3.48	35	33.6	67	10	6	11	8	11	11	10	54	54
1.35	21	19.6	26	4	5	2	6	3	3	3	32	32
.62	14	12.8	12	2	1	1	2	2	1	3	22	22
.16	2	1.6	3	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	1	1
.10	1	1.6	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	2
.42	11	7.6	8	..	1	3	1	2	1	..	9	9
4.63	68	77.0	89	9	9	14	14	17	16	10	79	79
1.52	28	25.0	35	9	5	3	5	1	5	7	21	21
5.82	95	90.8	112	14	14	16	16	19	21	12	108	108
8.79	133	124.0	169	23	18	30	27	29	26	16	160	160
12.06	193	163.6	232	36	21	41	39	38	33	24	222	222

and Assistant Sanitary Inspectors for investigation and report.

The Disinfecting Corps have visited 74 premises where contagious diseases were found, and have disinfected and fumigated 74 houses, 74 privy sinks, together with clothing, bedding, &c.

Three cases of small-pox were removed to the hospital by the Ambulance Corps.

Permits were granted to consignees of 38 vessels to discharge cargoes, on vouchers from the Health Officer of the Port.

69 permits have been granted to scavengers to empty, clean and disinfect privy sinks.

The following number of cases of contagious diseases were reported for the week ending Nov. 22, 1873: typhoid fever, 9; scarlet fever, 52; measles, 6; diphtheria, 48, and small-pox, 4.

170 loads of night soil were removed by night scavengers from the privy vaults of the city.

The amount of meat and fish condemned by the officers as unfit for human food during the week ending Nov. 22, 1873, was: sheep, 3 carcasses; veal, 2 carcasses; veal (bob), 3 carcasses; 280 pounds of beef; 163 pounds of mutton; 1,825 pounds of veal, and 150 pounds of fish.

**BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS.**

During the week ending Nov. 22, 1873, there were issued from this Bureau 519 burial permits for city deaths, 38 for bodies in transitu, and 42 for the interment of still-born infants. There were recorded 519 deaths, 152 marriages, 443 births, 42 still-births, 38 applications for transit permits, and 43 returns from coroners. There were 24 searches of the registers of births, marriages and deaths, and 2 transcripts of birth record, 6 of marriage, and 16 of death were

issued from this Bureau. 2 cases of deaths were referred to Coroners.

By order of the Board,  
EMMONS CLARK,  
Secretary.

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS, November 25, 1873.**

To the Secretary of the Board of Health:

SIR:—In the week that ended on Saturday, the 22d inst., 519 deaths were reported in this city, against 525 reported and 535 that actually occurred in the previous week. There were fewer deaths from pneumonia, marasmus and old age last week than in the preceding week. There were only 15 deaths charged to diarrhoeal diseases last week, a number much below the average of the corresponding week in previous years. But the mortality by acute pulmonary diseases, membranous croup and diphtheria is now in excess and most fatal in crowded tenements.

There were 79 deaths in public institutions during the week, 217 in tenement houses and 223 in other classes of dwellings.

The mean temperature in the week was 33.9 degrees Fahr., the range of temperature was 27.5 degrees, and the lowest point marked was 20.5 degrees on Thursday morning.

The death-rate was equal to 26.98 yearly in the 1,000 inhabitants in the city last week, while in London and twenty other cities of Great Britain, in the week ending November 1st, a rate equal to 26 per 1,000 was reported. The rate reported in Paris the same week was 23; in

Brussels, 22; in Berlin, 26; and Vienna 23 per 1,000 yearly. The rates of mortality in American cities vary more widely than these in Europe during the month of October. From 16 per 1,000 in Philadelphia, 15 per 1,000 in Rochester Cleveland, to 100 and upwards per 1,000 in Memphis, 17 per 1,000 in St. Louis and 26 per 1,000 in San Francisco the variations of the death-rate correspond with local and domiciliary sanitary conditions. After December we shall be able to compare these records every month.

Respectfully submitted,  
E. HARRIS, M. D.,  
Registrar.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

TO THE COMMISSIONERS OF EMIGRATION. FOR THE PERIOD ENDING NOVEMBER 24, 1873.

**RECEIPTS.**

Cash balance on hand at date of last report. . . . .	\$21,128 47
RECEIVED—	
For Commutations:	
On 138,305 Aliens since last report	207,910 50
On 8,990 Aliens since " " "	13,485 00
Total	\$221,395 50
For Forwarding Account:	
To last report. . . . .	952 34
Since . . . . .	82 00
Total	1,034 34
For Ward's Island Expenses:	
To last report. . . . .	2,817 24
Since . . . . .	.. ..
Total	2,817 24
For Relief and Charities:	
To last report. . . . .	804 90
Since . . . . .	103 75
Total	908
For State Charitable Institutions:	
To last report. . . . .	8 20
Since . . . . .	.. ..
Total	8 20
For County Houses:	
To last report. . . . .	4 00
Since . . . . .	.. ..
Total	4 00
For State Agencies:	
To last report. . . . .	664 98
Since . . . . .	.. ..
Total	664 98
For Castle Garden:	
To last report. . . . .	258 93
Since . . . . .	6 87
Total	265 80
For insurance to last report. . . . .	20 05
Since . . . . .	257 55
Total	277 60
For inmates' funds. . . . .	128 14
Since . . . . .	.. ..
Total	128 14
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$227,544 45</b>

**DISBURSEMENTS.**

PAID—	
For Ward's Island Expenses:	
To last report. . . . .	\$86,621 60
Since . . . . .	7,205 51
Total	\$93,827 11
For Castle Garden Expenses:	
To last report. . . . .	49,827 01
Since . . . . .	662 13
Total	50,489 14
For General Exp. Account:	
To last report. . . . .	5,711 39
Since . . . . .	445 40
Total	6,156 79
For Forwarding Account:	
To last report. . . . .	3,743 93
Since . . . . .	105 05
Total	3,909 58
For Relief and Charities:	
To last report. . . . .	2,409 25
Since . . . . .	320 07
Total	2,729 32
For State Agencies:	
To last report. . . . .	1,813 02
Since . . . . .	112 50
Total	1,925 52
For County Houses:	
To last report. . . . .	16,503 09
Since . . . . .	.. ..
Total	16,503 09
For State Charities Inst's:	
To last report. . . . .	7,684 60
Since . . . . .	.. ..
Total	7,684 60
For Insurance:	
To last report. . . . .	401 00
Since . . . . .	.. ..
Total	401 00
For account of contracts on Lunatic Asylum:	
To last report. . . . .	22,525 96
Since . . . . .	.. ..
Total	22,525 96
Bowling Green Savings Bank. . . . .	265 80
Inmates Funds. . . . .	128 27
Since . . . . .	71 54
Total	199 81
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>\$206,618 72</b>

**FINANCIAL RECAPITULATION OF PRESENT COMMISSION.**

Balance on hand June 1, 1873. . . . .	\$5,077 88
Total receipts since. . . . .	227,544 45
Total	\$232,622 33
Total Disbursements since June 1. . . . .	\$206,618 72
Balance on hand at date. . . . .	26,003 61
Total	\$232,622 33
Total amount of bills passed by Finance Committee since last report. . . . .	\$10,178 88
November Pay rolls. . . . .	11,051 90
Total	\$21,230 78

GARRET BERGEN,  
Treasurer.

**LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.**

**Appointments.**

Henry G. Cassidy, first assistant clerk Board of Aldermen, vice Alfred S. Bugbee, removed. Salary \$2000 per annum.

Robert B. Bach, third assistant clerk Board of Aldermen, vice Charles P. Miller, resigned. Salary reduced from \$2000 to \$1500 per annum.

William H. McCabe, fifth assistant clerk, Board of Aldermen, new appointment. Salary \$1500 per annum.

J. C. PINCKNEY,  
Clerk Common Council,  
Nov. 24, 1873.

**DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.**

**Appointments.**

Nov. 20—W. E. Jasper.  
Wm. G. Ackerman,  
Henry Bracklin,  
Wilhelm Braun,  
W. H. Jasper.  
Were appointed Clerks.



OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

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

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

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

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Clk of the Common Council and of Bd of Supervisors, 7 & 8 City Hall, 9 A.M. to 4 P.M. Clerk of Bd of Assistant Aldermen, 9 1/2 City Hall, 9 A.M. to 4 P.M.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

Office hours from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Comptroller's Office, West end, New County Court House. 1-Bureau for the collection of the revenue accruing from rents and interest on bonds and mortgages, and revenue arising from the use or sale of property belonging to or managed by the City.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Counsel to the Corporation, 82 Nassau st., 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Public Administrator, 115 and 117 " 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Corporation Atty., " " 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Attorney for the Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes, 265 Broadway, Room 13, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

Central Office, 66 Third av. 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Out Door Poor Dept., 66 Third av., always open. Entrance on 11th Street. Free Labor Bureau, 8 and 10 Clinton pl. 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Reception Hospital, City Hall Park, N. E. Corner, always open. Reception Hospital, 95th street and 10th av. always open. Bellevue Hospital, foot of 26th street, E. R. " " " " " "

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Commissioner's Office, 301 Mott St. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sanitary Superintendent, 301 Mott St., always open. Register of Records, 301 Mott St., for granting burial permits, on all days of the week except Sundays from 7 a.m. to 6 o'clock p.m., and on Sundays from 8 a.m. to 5 o'clock p.m.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

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

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

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

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

Commissioners' Office, Brown Stone Building, City Hall Park, 32 Chambers St., 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., on Saturday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Surveyor's Bureau, 19 Chatham St., 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Board of Assessors, " " " " " "

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

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

BOARD OF EXCISE.

Commissioners' Office, 290 Mulberry street, 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Office of the Board, cor Gra d and Elm sts, 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Supt. of Schools, " " " " " " 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.

COMMISSIONERS OF EMIGRATION.

Commissioners, Office, Castle Garden, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Superintendents, Office, Castle Garden, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

THE CITY RECORD OFFICE.

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

MISCELLANEOUS OFFICES.

Coroner's Office, 40 E. Houston st. Sheriff's " " " " " " first floor, S. W. cor. " " " " " " New Court House. County Clerk's Office, first floor, N. E. cor. New Court House. Surrogate's Office, first floor, S. E. cor. " " " " " " New Court House. Register's Office, Hall of Records, " " " " " " City Hall Park. District Attorney's Office, second floor " " " " " " Old Court House, 82 Chambers Street. Commissioner of Jurors, Commissioner's Office, basement, brown stone building, City Hall Park 32 Chambers street, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

COURTS.

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

SUPERIOR COURTS.

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

COMMON PLEAS.

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

GENERAL SESSIONS.

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

OYER AND TERMINER.

Oyer and Terminer, 32 Chambers st., 10 a.m. General Term, Room 17. Special Term, " " " " " "

SPECIAL SESSIONS.

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

JUSTICE'S (OR DISTRICT) COURTS.

First District, 1st, 2d, 3d, and 5th Wards, S. W. corner of Centre and Chambers streets, 10 a.m., 4 p.m. Second District, 4th, 6th, and 14th Wards, 514 Pearl street, 9 a.m., 4 p.m. Third District, 8th, 9th, and 15th Wards, 12 Greenwich avenue, 9 a.m., 4 p.m. Fourth District, 10th, and 17th Wards, 163 East Houston street, 9 a.m., 4 p.m. Fifth District, 7th, 11th, and 13th Wards, 154 Clinton street, 9 a.m., 4 p.m. Sixth District, 16th and 22d Wards, 57th street, between Third and Lexington avenues, 9 a.m., 4 p.m. Seventh District, 16th and 20th Wards, S. W. cor. 22d st. and 7th ave., 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Eighth District, 12th Ward, 2374 Fourth avenue, 9 a.m., 4 p.m.

MARINE COURT (Brown stone building.)

General Term, 32 Chamber Room 17, 10 a.m., 3 p.m. Special " " " " " " Room 15, " " " " " " Chambers, " " " " " " Room 18, " " " " " " Clerk's Office, " " " " " " Room 19, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

POLICE COURTS.

First District, 14th, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, and portion of Sanitary Precinct, Tombs, cor. Franklin and Centre streets, 7 a.m., 3 p.m. Second District, 8th, 9th, 15th, 16th, 20th, 25th, 33d, 28th, and 29th Precincts, Greenwich ave., corner of 10th street, 9 a.m., 6 p.m. Third District, 7th, 10th, 11th, 13th, 17th, 18th, and portion of Sanitary Precinct, 69 Essex street, 8 a.m., 4 p.m. Fourth District, 19th, 21st, 22d, 23d, and 19th substation, 57th street, between 3d and Lexington ave, 8 a.m., 5 p.m. Fifth District, 12th Ward, 2374 Fourth avenue (Harlem), 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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.:

- No. 1—For laying Belgian pavement in First avenue, from Thirty-sixth to Sixty-first streets. No. 2—For laying Belgian pavement in One Hundred and Seventeenth street, from Fourth avenue to Harlem river. No. 3—For regulating and grading One Hundred and Seventeenth street, from Seventh to Eighth avenues. No. 4—For regulating, grading, setting curb, gutter and flagging Fifty-first street, from Sixth to Seventh avenues. No. 5—For regulating, grading, setting curb, gutter and flagging One Hundred and Fifth street, from Third avenue to Harlem river. No. 6—For setting curb, gutter and flagging Lexington avenue, from Sixty-first to Sixty-sixth streets. No. 7—For flagging Fifty-third street, north side, between Fifth and Sixth avenues. No. 8—For flagging and curb and gutter at southeast corner of Seventh avenue and West Twelfth street. No. 9—For building sewer in Avenue A, between Fifty-ninth and Sixty-first streets, with branch in Fifty-ninth street. No. 10—For building sewer in Broadway, between Twenty-seventh and Twenty-eighth streets. No. 11—For building basin on the northeast corner of Sixty-ninth street and Lexington avenue.

The limits embraced by such assessment, include all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land, situated on No. 1—Both sides of First avenue, from Thirty-sixth to Sixty-first street, to the extent of one-half the block on the intersecting streets. No. 2—Both sides One Hundred and Seventeenth street, from Fourth avenue to Harlem River, to the extent of one-half the block on the intersecting streets. No. 3—Both sides of One Hundred and Seventeenth street, from Seventh avenue to Eighth avenue. No. 4—Both sides of Fifty-first street, from Sixth avenue to Seventh avenue, to the extent of one-half the block on the intersecting streets. No. 5—Both sides One Hundred and Fifth street, from Third avenue to Harlem river, to the extent of one-half the block on the intersecting streets. No. 6—Both sides of Lexington avenue, from Sixty-first street to Sixty-sixth street. No. 7—The property known as Ward Nos. 13 to 19 inclusive. No. 8—The property known as Ward No. 3401. No. 9—Both sides of Avenue A, between Fifty-ninth and Sixty-first street; both sides of Fifty-ninth street, between Avenue A and First avenue; the east side of First avenue, between Fifty-eighth and Sixtieth streets, and the south side of Sixtieth street, between Avenue A and First avenue. No. 10—The east side of Broadway, between Twenty-seventh and Twenty-eighth streets, except one lot next Twenty-eighth street. No. 11—The property known as Ward Nos. 20 to 23 inclusive.

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 Thos. B. Asten, Chairman of the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 19 Chatham street, within thirty days from the date of this notice. The duty of the Board of Assessors is to ascertain if contracts are in all cases made in accordance with the original ordinances, and the just and equal apportionment of the assessment.

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

OFFICE, BOARD OF ASSESSORS, NEW YORK, NOV. 28, 1873.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE

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

- No. 1. For laying Belgian pavement in 83d street, from 3d avenue to 5th avenue.

- No. 2. For laying Belgian pavement in 87th street, from 2d avenue to 4th avenue. No. 3. For laying Belgian pavement in 70th street, from east side of 4th avenue to 5th avenue. No. 4. For laying Belgian pavement in 47th street, from 3d avenue to 4th avenue. No. 5. For building sewer in Lexington avenue, between 60th and 70th streets, and 69th street to 70 feet west of Lexington avenue. No. 6. For building sewer in Greenwich street, between Leroy and Morton streets. No. 7. For building sewer in Hudson street, east side, between Vandam and Charlton streets. No. 8. For building sewer in Horatio street, from end of present sewer to and through Greenwich avenue to near Jane street. No. 9. For regulating and grading 121st street, from 7th avenue to 8th avenue. No. 10. For building underground drains between 57th and 58th streets, and 5th avenue and Madison avenue.

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

- No. 1. Both sides of 83d street, from 3d avenue to 5th avenue, to the extent of one-half the block on the intersecting streets. No. 2. Both sides of 87th street, from 2d avenue to 4th avenue, to the extent of one-half the block on the intersecting streets. No. 3. Both sides of 70th street, from 4th avenue to 5th avenue, to the extent of one-half the block on the intersecting streets, except east side of 4th avenue. No. 4. Both sides of 47th street, from 3d avenue to 4th avenue, to the extent of one-half the block on the intersecting streets. No. 5. The property known as Ward Nos. 14, 15, 16 and 20, and N. Y. Female Normal College. No. 6. Both sides of Greenwich street, between Leroy and Morton streets, except one lot on southwest corner of Morton street. No. 7. East side of Hudson street, between Vandam and Charlton streets. No. 8. The property known as Ward Nos. 3113 to 3119 inclusive. No. 9. Both sides of 121st street, from 7th avenue to 8th avenue. No. 10. The block bounded by 57th and 58th streets and 5th avenue and Madison avenue.

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

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

OFFICE, BOARD OF ASSESSORS, NEW YORK, November 17th, 1873.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT, BUREAU OF COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, Room No. 14, City Hall, NEW YORK, Nov. 20, 1873.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY HOLDERS—PROPERTY

holders are hereby notified that the following assessment lists were this day received in this Bureau for collection:

- Date of Confirmation. Oct. 30, 1873. 89th street, sewer, between East river and 2d avenue. " 92d, 93d and 94th streets, sewer, between 4th and 5th avenues. " 10th avenue, east side, sewer, between 18th and 19th streets. " 81st street, sewer, between 1st and 2d avenues. " 10th avenue, west side, sewer, between 21st and 22d streets. " Frankfort street, sewer, between Cliff and Pearl streets. " Pearl street, sewer, between Old slip and a point 180 feet south of Old slip. " 5th avenue, sewer, between 32d and 33d streets. " basin, northeast corner 11th street and 13th avenue. " West side Mott street, 40 feet north Chatham square. " Northwest corner Chrystie and Grand streets. " Northeast corner Chrystie and Stanton streets. " Southwest corner 14th street and 4th avenue. " Southeast corner 14th street and 11th avenue. " Northeast corner 14th street and 11th avenue. " Northeast corner 23d street and 13th avenue. " Southeast corner 23d street and 13th avenue. " Southeast corner 44th street and 13th avenue and Broadway. " Northeast corner 43d street and 13th avenue and Broadway. " Southwest corner 55th street and 11th avenue. " Northeast corner 65th street and 1st avenue. " Northwest corner 92d street and Avenue A. " Southwest corner 92d street and Avenue A. " S. 5th avenue, paving between Canal and 4th streets. " Church street, paving between Fulton and Morris streets. " West street, cross walk from No. 177 to Pie' 29. " Cherry street, cross walk from No. 186 to No. 187. " 95th street, regulating, grading, &c., from 4th to 5th avenues. " 127th street, regulating, grade, &c., from 6th to 8th avenues. " 128th street, regulating, grade, &c., from 6th to 8th avenues. " 69th street, regulating, grade, &c., from Public Drive to Hudson River. " Attorney street, flag southwest from Grand to Broome street. " 51st street, fencing vacant lots, both sides, from 5th to 6th avenues.

All payments made, by law, exempted from the charge for interest at seven per cent., which runs from the date of confirmation. The collector's office is open daily from 9 A.M. to 4 P.M.

ANDREW W. LEGGAT, Acting Collector.

BUREAU OF THE RECEIVER OF TAXES, November 17th, 1873.

TO TAX PAYERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ONE PER cent, will be added to all taxes unpaid on the 1st of December; also, an additional one per cent, on December 15th.

On all taxes remaining unpaid on January 1st, interest at the rate of twelve per cent per annum, calculated from the day the books were received by the Receiver of Taxes to the day of payment will be added. MARTIN T. McMAHON, Receiver of Taxes.

STREET OPENINGS.

SUPREME COURT.—IN THE MATTER OF THE application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of One Hundred and Fortieth street, between the Eighth avenue and the Harlem river, in the City of New York.

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

That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in these proceedings or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to Robert Sutherland, Esq., our Chairman, at the office of the Commissioners, No. 82 Nassau street (Room No. 24), in the said city, on or before the 3d day of November, 1873, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week days next after the said 3d day of November, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days, at 12 o'clock M.

That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, in the city of New York, there to remain until the 15th day of November, 1873.

That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All those lots, pieces or parcels of land, lying and being in the said city of New York, and included and contained within the following described limits or bounds, that is to say: on the north by the centre line of the blocks between 140th and 141st streets; on the south by the centre line of the blocks between 140th and 139th streets; on the west by the easterly line of the avenue Saint Nicholas; and on the east by the westerly line of Exterior street at the Harlem river.

And that our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term thereof, to be held in the New Court House, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 2d day of December, 1873, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, September 27, 1873. ROBERT SUTHERLAND, GRATZ NATHAN, MICHAEL C. MURPHY, Commissioners.

SUPREME COURT.—IN THE MATTER OF THE application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the city of New York, relative to the opening and extending of Lexington avenue, from One Hundred and Second street to the Harlem river, in the city of New York.

Notice is hereby given that the bill of costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above entitled matter will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court at the Chambers thereof, in the Court House at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the ninth day of December, 1873, at 10 1/2 o'clock in the forenoon.

Dated New York, November 26, 1873. WILLIAM HITCHMAN, SHEPARD F. KNAPP, DANIEL WHALEN, Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS, 346 AND 348 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, NOV. 22, 1873.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT

WILLIAM KENNELLY, Auctioneer, WILL OFFER AT PUBLIC SALE, AT THE EXCHANGE SALES ROOM, 111 BROADWAY, On Friday, December 5th, 1873, at 12 o'clock, M., the right and privilege of keeping, for one year, a FLOAT on Harlem River, under the Bridge, at end of 3d avenue, extending to and including the steps, on either side.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS: The Float to be occupied only for the letting and keeping of boats; to be free to all boats and persons requiring to land at said steps, and to be kept free from all nuisance of any kind whatsoever.

Rent to be for one year, payable quarterly in advance. A written agreement to these conditions will be required to be executed at the office of the Department, within 48 hours after the sale, or the bid will be void.

The Commissioners reserve the right not to dispose of the said privilege, if, in their opinion, the interests of the city require such action. JACOB A. WESTERVELT, WILLIAM GARDNER, WILLIAM BUDD, Commissioners of the Department of Docks.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT CITY OF NEW YORK, (127 and 129 Mercer street,) New York, November 20, 1873.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AT these headquarters until 12 o'clock, noon, of Thursday, December 4th, 1873, for building two Engine Houses for this Department.

Two responsible and approved sureties will be required from the successful bidder, and proposals will not be considered unless sureties are named. The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all the proposals offered.

Plans and specifications can be seen and all information obtained on application at the office of Thomas R. Jackson, architect, No. 257 Broadway. JOSEPH L. PERLEY, ROSWELL D. HATCH, CORNELIUS VAN COIT, Commissioners.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE, 300 MULBERRY STREET, ROOM 39.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY Clerk, 300 Mulberry street, room 39, for the following property now in his custody, without claimants: Revolvers, boat, pig iron, straw braid, canal boat, gold watch, gold eye-glasses, clothing, combs, dog collars, knives, etc. C. A. ST. JOHN, Property Clerk.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

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

THE STATED SESSIONS OF THE BOARD OF Aldermen will be held on Thursday of each week, at 3 o'clock, P. M., in the chamber of the Board, room No. 15, City Hall. JOSEPH C. PINCKNEY, Clerk.

THE CITY RECORD.

COPIES OF THE CITY RECORD CAN BE OBTAINED at No. 2, City Hall, (N. W. corner basement.) Price five cents each.