

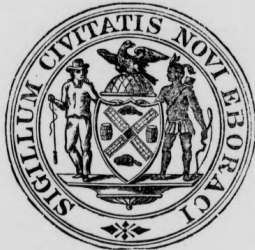
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COMMISSIONERS OF THE SINKING FUND OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

Proceedings of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund at a Meeting held at the Mayor's Office, at 1 o'clock P.M., Monday, December 19, 1887.

Present—Abram S. Hewitt, Mayor; Frederick Smyth, Recorder; Edward V. Loew, Comptroller; William M. Ivins, City Chamberlain; and Henry R. Beekman, Chairman Finance Committee, Board of Aldermen.

The minutes of the meeting held December 1, 1887, were read and approved.

The Comptroller presented the following report upon the condition of the Sinking Fund for the Redemption of the City Debt, and a resolution certifying to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment the amount of bonds and stocks originally payable from taxation, which become due and payable in the next calendar year, 1888, and the means of paying and redeeming the same from said Sinking Fund, without impairing the preferred claims thereon, as provided by section 175 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
December 17, 1887.

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

GENTLEMEN—The amount of stocks and bonds of the City and County of New York, now outstanding, which constitute a preferred charge upon the Sinking Fund for the Redemption of the City Debt, under section 175 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, is \$4,794,200.

The Sinking Fund is also chargeable with \$9,700,000 Funded Debt, under section 176 of the Consolidation Act of 1882, and \$19,460,000 stocks and bonds issued since June 3, 1878, pursuant to section 192 of said act, re-enacting section 8 of chapter 383 of the Laws of 1878, and \$16,347,000 issued as provided by the Constitutional Amendment of 1884, making a total of such indebtedness now chargeable to the Sinking Fund of \$50,301,200.

On December 1, 1887, the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund held for account of the Redemption Fund, City and County bonds and stocks and cash, in amount, \$38,838,693.43, as follows:

Funded Debt.....	\$33,007,319 45
Revenue Bonds.....	5,350,000 00
Cash.....	481,373 98
Total.....	\$38,838,693 43

The estimated revenues of the Sinking Fund for the Redemption of the City Debt for the year 1888 are \$8,275,000, as follows:

Market Rents and Fees.....	\$275,000 00
Market Cellar Rents.....	7,000 00
Bonds and Mortgages.....	25,000 00
Licenses:	
Hackney coaches.....	\$4,000 00
Second-hand dealers.....	4,000 00
Pawnbrokers.....	50,000 00
Junk dealers.....	3,500 00
Stages.....	1,000 00
	62,500 00
Dock and Slip Rent.....	1,300,000 00
Street Vaulis.....	75,000 00
Revenue from Investments.....	1,500,000 00
Interest on Deposits.....	100,000 00
Assessments under Chapter 550, Laws 1880.....	500,000 00
Railroad Franchises.....	100,000 00
Surplus Revenue of the Interest Fund.....	3,000,000 00
Miscellaneous.....	30,500 00
Annual Installments raised by Taxation for Redemption of Debt.....	1,300,000 00
Total estimated revenue.....	\$8,275,000 00

Sections 176 and 177 of the Consolidation Act of 1882 authorize and empower the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund to pay and redeem any portion of the bonded debt of the City and County, "provided such payment shall not in any way impair the preferred claims" upon the Sinking Fund for the Redemption of the City Debt; and "provided, also, the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund shall deem it for the best interests of the City that such payment should be so made."

No part of the preferred claims become due and payable in the year 1888.

The Commissioners of the Sinking Fund are therefore authorized by these provisions of law, in their discretion, to pay and redeem that portion of the City Debt becoming due and payable in the year 1888, which was originally payable from taxation under the provisions of law authorizing the issue of stocks and bonds constituting such indebtedness. The amount of such debt due and payable in the ensuing year, 1888, is \$3,921,939.14, as follows:

Seven per cent. Accumulated Debt Bonds, City of New York, issued in pursuance of section 4, chapter 876, Laws of 1869, payable November 1, 1888.....	\$1,300,000 00
Seven per cent. Accumulated Debt Bonds, County of New York, issued in pursuance of section 5, chapter 875, Laws of 1869, payable November 1, 1888.....	1,200,000 00

Seven per cent. City Cemetery Stock, issued in pursuance of chapter 177, Laws of 1868, payable August 1, 1888.....	\$75,000 00
Six per cent. New York County Court-house Stock, issued in pursuance of chapter 242, Laws of 1864, payable November 1, 1888.....	100,000 00
Seven per cent. New York County Court-house Stock, No. 3, issued in pursuance of section 4, chapter 875, Laws of 1863, payable November 1, 1888.....	120,000 00
Six per cent. New York County Repairs to Buildings Stock, issued in pursuance of section 3, chapter 875, Laws of 1869, payable November 1, 1888.....	20,000 00
Six per cent. Soldiers' Bounty Fund Bonds, County of New York, issued in pursuance of chapter 7, Laws of 1864, payable November 1, 1888.....	500,000 00
Six per cent. Street Improvement Bonds, City of New York, issued in pursuance of section 5, chapter 876, Laws of 1869, payable November 1, 1888.....	606,939 14
Total.....	\$3,921,939 14

By the above statements it is seen that the accumulations and revenues of the Sinking Fund are sufficient to pay and redeem the stocks and bonds constituting that portion of the City Debt becoming due in the next calendar year, 1888, without in any way impairing the preferred claims upon that fund.

Section 191 of the Consolidation Act of 1882 provides as follows:

"Whenever and as often as the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund shall certify to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment that the accumulations in the Sinking Fund will not be sufficient to meet the payment of any bonds or stocks falling due in the next following calendar year, it shall be the duty of said Board of Estimate and Apportionment, and it is hereby required, to include in the annual estimate for such year, to be raised by tax on the estates, real and personal, in said city, subject to taxation, such an amount to be applied to the payment of said bonds or stocks as shall be certified by said Commissioners, and the amount so included in said estimate shall be paid into said Sinking Fund and applied as in this section specified; provided, however, that the amount so to be raised by tax and paid into the Sinking Fund, as in this section provided, shall not in any one year be less than the sum of one million dollars, nor more than two million dollars."

In accordance with this provision I submit herewith a resolution to be presented to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, certifying the condition of the Sinking Fund for the Redemption of the City Debt, the amount of its estimated revenues for the ensuing year, 1888, and the amount of stocks and bonds becoming due and payable in said year which were originally, by law, payable from taxation, for such action thereon as may be required by the provisions of law above cited.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD V. LOEW, Comptroller.

Whereas, Stocks and bonds of the City and County of New York, amounting to three million nine hundred and twenty-one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine dollars and fourteen cents (\$3,921,939.14), forming a portion of the City Debt originally by law payable from taxation, become due and payable in the next calendar year, eighteen hundred and eighty-eight (1888), as stated by the Comptroller in his report of the condition of the Sinking Fund for the Redemption of the City Debt, this day presented; and

Whereas, It appears also that the accumulations and estimated revenues of said fund in the next calendar year, eighteen hundred and eighty-eight (1888), are sufficient to pay and redeem that portion of the City Debt without, in any way, impairing the preferred charge upon said fund provided for by section 175 of the Consolidation Act of 1882; and

Whereas, The Commissioners of the Sinking Fund deem it to be for the best interests of the City that the portion of the City Debt originally payable by law from taxation should be paid and redeemed by said Sinking Fund; therefore

Resolved, That, as provided by section 191 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund do hereby certify to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, that certain stocks and bonds constituting a portion of the City Debt which was originally payable by law from taxation, amounting to three million nine hundred and twenty-one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine dollars and fourteen cents (\$3,921,939.14), becomes due and payable in the next calendar year, eighteen hundred and eighty-eight (1888); that the amount of stocks and bonds and cash in the Sinking Fund for the Redemption of the City Debt on the first day of December, 1887, was thirty-eight million eight hundred and thirty-eight thousand six hundred and ninety-three dollars and forty-three cents (\$38,838,693.43), and the estimated revenues of said fund for said year are eight million two hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars (\$8,275,000); that the amount of stocks and bonds now outstanding, which constitute a preferred charge against said fund, is four million seven hundred and ninety-four thousand two hundred dollars (\$4,794,200), no portion of said preferred claims becoming due and payable in the said year eighteen hundred and eighty-eight (1888); and that said portion of the City Debt originally payable by law from taxation, becoming due in said year eighteen hundred and eighty-eight (1888), can be paid and redeemed by said Sinking Fund for the Redemption of the City Debt without in any way impairing the preferred claims thereon.

The report was accepted and the resolution unanimously adopted.

The Comptroller presented the following report on the petition of James Rogers and May Deering, for a release of land formerly below high water-mark on the Harlem river, with a resolution granting the same on payment of a consideration agreed upon by the Comptroller and the Commissioner of Public Works, as provided by the ordinances of the Common Council:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
December 15, 1887.

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

GENTLEMEN—The Comptroller, to whom was referred, September 18, 1884, a petition of James Rogers and May Deering, and on December 17, 1884, a supplemental petition of the same persons for a release of land formerly under water on One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, between Fifth and Madison avenues, respectfully submits the following

REPORT:

The land in question is an irregular plot, piece or parcel of land, formerly under water and now filled in, situated on the south side of One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, beginning at a point 120 feet west of Madison avenue, and containing about 2,875 square feet below the original high water-mark of the waters of the Harlem river, which for many years past has been in the possession of the petitioners and former owners of the adjacent upland.

After a thorough examination of the facts involved in the claims of the petitioners for a release of the interests of the City to the land, it is ascertained and is admitted by the petitioners that the fee thereof remains in the Corporation of the City of New York, and that a fair and reasonable consideration should be paid for such release or quit-claim.

The Counsel to the Corporation, under date of July 8, 1884, advised that the method to be fol-

lowed of a sale or grant of the land between the original high and low water-marks that had been filled in, as in the present case, is laid down in section 79 of article VI., chapter 3 of the Revised Ordinances of 1880, which provides that "it shall be the duty of the Comptroller and the Commissioner of Public Works of the said City of New York to report to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund what sum of money shall, in their judgment, be charged as consideration for such grant, and if the said Commissioners, or a majority of them, shall agree to the terms reported by the said Comptroller and Commissioner of Public Works then the said Comptroller shall be and is hereby authorized to cause such grants to be issued to the parties who may be legally entitled to the same."

In accordance with the foregoing provision the Comptroller and the Commissioner of Public Works have agreed that the sum of \$4,000 would be a fair and equitable consideration to be charged to the petitioners for said land, allowing and deducting the amount due for taxes and assessments thereon, the same not having been paid, and herewith I present their report to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

A resolution is submitted approving of their valuation and authorizing a release or grant of said land to the petitioners on payment of the amount at which it is valued, for such action thereon as may be deemed proper by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

Respectfully,

E. V. LOEW, Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
December 15, 1887.

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

GENTLEMEN—The undersigned, the Comptroller and the Commissioner of Public Works, in conformity with the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation, dated July 8, 1884, in the matter of the petition of William T. Ryerson and David G. Yuengling, presented to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, October 30, 1884, and as provided by section 79 of article VI. of chapter 3 of the Revised Ordinances of 1880, have examined and inquired into the facts relating to a certain plot, piece or parcel of land between the original high and low water-marks on the Harlem river, situated on the south side of One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, between Madison and Fifth avenues, and now filled in, as shown upon a map accompanying a petition of James Rogers and May Deering to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund for a release of the City's interest in said land, and they respectfully report that, in their judgment, the sum which should be paid for such grant or release, and which is deemed to be fair and equitable, is \$4,000, free and clear from taxes and assessments thereon.

EDWARD V. LOEW, Comptroller.
JOHN NEWTON, Commissioner of Public Works.

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund do hereby approve of and agree to the valuation of the interest of the City of New York, reported by the Comptroller and the Commissioner of Public Works, appraising and fixing the amount of four thousand dollars (\$4,000), which, in their judgment, should be charged as consideration for a release or grant of a certain plot, piece or parcel of land, formerly under water and now filled in, between high and low water-marks on the Harlem river, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the southerly side of One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, distant 120 feet from the southwesterly corner of said street and Madison avenue; thence running southerly and parallel with Madison avenue, 49 feet 11 inches, more or less, to the intersection of said line with the original line of high water; thence along the line of high water of the waters of the Harlem river, as it winds and turns in a general northwesterly direction, to the intersection thereof with the southerly side of One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street; thence easterly along the southerly side of One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street 70 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning; and do fix the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) as the amount to be charged and paid as the consideration for a grant or release of the City's interest in said land, free and clear from taxes and assessments thereon; and the Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to cause a grant or deed of conveyance thereof to be issued to the petitioners James Rogers and May Deering, or the parties who may be legally entitled to receive the same, to be executed by the Mayor and the Clerk of the Common Council when prepared and approved by the Counsel to the Corporation; provided, that at the time of the delivery of such deed the petitioners be allowed on account of such purchase price of four thousand dollars (\$4,000), such sum as they shall pay for and on account of all the taxes and assessments now due and unpaid on said particularly described piece or parcel of land, for which payments they shall produce vouchers or receipts.

The resolution was laid over for a report by the Department of Docks whether the land is required for the improvement of the water-front of the Harlem river and commercial purposes.

The Comptroller presented the following communication from the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestry of the Church of the Redeemer of this city, relative to the occupation of certain land belonging to the City:

NEW YORK, December 12, 1887.

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

DEAR SIR—Having been informed that you have advertised for sale or lease the certain four lots on south side of Eighty-second street and west of Fourth avenue, which said lots were granted by the Common Council of this city, December 31, 1864, to the Episcopal Church of the Redeemer (incorporated), upon which said lots to erect a church, etc. The Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of said Church hereby respectfully protest against the carrying out of the terms of said advertisement, and earnestly petition that the said proposed sale or lease be postponed for at least three months from this date, in order that said corporation may make clear to your Honor its right to hold said property under said grant for the purpose for which said grant was issued.

They further respectfully represent that a large sum of money has already been expended by said church corporation for erecting an imposing church building, which is now in process of construction, and the carrying out of the terms of the advertisement above mentioned will work great damage and injury to said church corporation.

Respectfully yours,

J. W. SHACKELFORD, Rector.
GEORGE W. ELY,
RICHARD P. WILLIAMS, } Church Wardens.
JOHN BLAKE WHITE, M.D.,
JOHN E. ATKINS,
MYRON D. TURNER,
GEO. D. BLEYTHING, } Vestrymen.
A. SIDNEY TOMLINSON,
C. S. LE P. FRENCH,
T. R. HORLEY,
J. S. BAKER,

The communication was ordered to be printed, and the Recorder offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the communication from the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Redeemer of this city, protesting against the sale at public auction of a lease of certain four lots of land belonging to the City on the south side of Eighty-second street and west of Fourth avenue, now advertised to be held on the 20th day of December, 1887, and requesting a postponement of said sale, be and the same is referred to the Comptroller to report at the next meeting of this Board by what authority said church corporation claims said land, and to obtain the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation whether said church corporation has any legal right or title in and to said land, or to hold the same, or any portion of the land now or heretofore in its possession on Eighty-first and Eighty-second streets and Fourth avenue; and the Comptroller is hereby authorized to postpone the said sale of a lease of said land for thirty days.

Which was unanimously adopted.

NOTE.—By request, the Recorder was excused from further attendance at this meeting.

The Comptroller was requested to notify the officers of the Church of the Redeemer to attend the next meeting of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

The Comptroller presented a report and resolution on the petition of Whitson Oakley and George Smith for a confirmatory deed of certain lands formerly below high water-mark on the East or Harlem river, in the Twelfth Ward, as follows:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
December 19, 1887.

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

GENTLEMEN—The Comptroller, to whom was referred, November 4, 1885, the petition of Whitson Oakley and George Smith for a confirmatory deed or release of certain lots in the Twelfth Ward, originally under water, respectfully submits the following

REPORT:

The lots referred to form a part of lands originally below the line of high water of the East river, granted by the City December 9, 1870, to Jacob Voorhis, Jr., as recorded in Liber 1 of "City Grants," page 573, and now known as Ward Nos. 31 to 37, inclusive, Block No. 213, in the Twelfth Ward.

The petitioners state that a diligent search has been made, but they have been unable to find the original grant made to said Voorhis, and that the signature of the Mayor does not appear upon said grant as recorded in the office of the Register, and does not seem to have been subscribed thereto. By reason of the said omission of the signature of the Mayor a question has arisen as to the perfect validity of the petitioner's title, and they pray that a confirmatory deed or release of said lots may be executed and delivered to them.

The petition has been submitted to the Counsel to the Corporation for his opinion whether it would be proper to grant the same. His communication on the subject is herewith submitted, stating that he sees no reason why said petition should not be granted in the present case, but recommending that an application be made to the Legislature to extend the provisions of chapter 231 of the Laws of 1882, validating a similar defect in conveyances of real estate sold at public auction, to all grants of lands under water heretofore legally made by the City where the defect in question exists.

A resolution to authorize a confirmatory deed of said lots to be made, executed and delivered to said petitioners is herewith submitted.

Respectfully,

E. V. LOEW, Comptroller.

Resolved, That the petition of Whitson Oakley and George Smith for a confirmatory deed or grant of certain lots situated on the southerly side of Ninety-eighth street, one hundred feet west of First avenue, and known as Ward Nos. 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36 and 37, Block 213, in the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York, which said lots or a portion thereof were embraced in a grant of land under water made by the Corporation of said city to Jacob Voorhis, Jr., dated December 9, 1870, the said original grant not being signed by the then Mayor of the city, as alleged by the said petitioners; and the Counsel to the Corporation is requested to prepare such confirmatory deed as the facts may warrant and require to cure the defect in the title to said lots of such alleged omission of the signature of the Mayor, and the Mayor and Clerk of the Common Council are hereby authorized and directed to execute such proper confirmatory deed when prepared and approved by the Counsel to the Corporation, and the Comptroller to deliver the same when so executed and recorded in his office, to the said petitioners or their attorneys, provided that they shall pay the sum of twenty-five dollars for preparing the deed and other expenses.

The report was accepted and the resolution unanimously adopted, all the members present voting in the affirmative.

The Comptroller presented the following report and resolution relative to leasing ferry foot of Jay street, North river, to Weehawken, New Jersey:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
December 19, 1887.

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

GENTLEMEN—A lease was made April 13, 1885, to the Receivers of the West Shore and Buffalo Railway, of the franchise of the ferry between Jay street, North river, and Weehawken, New Jersey, the term of which has expired and has not been heretofore renewed on account of improvements of the water-front foot of Jay street, and proposed acquisition of the title of the bulkhead by the City.

I now submit a resolution to authorize a sale of the lease for one year from January 1, 1888.

Respectfully,

E. V. LOEW, Comptroller.

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized and directed to take the necessary measures for leasing the franchise of the ferry from the foot of Jay street, North river, to Weehawken, New Jersey, at public auction, for the term of one year from January 1, 1888, and to have the rental thereof appraised and sold upon such terms and conditions as the Comptroller may determine, subject to the approval of this Board.

The report was accepted and the resolution unanimously adopted, all the members present voting in the affirmative.

The Comptroller presented a report and resolution on lease of ferry from foot of Grand street to Brooklyn, as follows:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
December 16, 1887.

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

GENTLEMEN—In pursuance of a resolution adopted December 7, 1887, a lease of the ferry between Grand street, City of New York, and Grand street, City of Brooklyn, has been advertised to be sold at public auction December 20, 1887, on terms and conditions subject to the approval of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund. A resolution fixing the terms and conditions of such sale is herewith submitted.

Respectfully,

E. V. LOEW, Comptroller.

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund do hereby approve of and fix the terms and conditions of sale of the lease of the ferry between Grand street, in the City of New York, and Grand street, in the City of Brooklyn, as advertised in the CITY RECORD, to be held at the Comptroller's Office on Tuesday, the 20th day of December, 1887, at 12 o'clock M., as follows:

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE.

Bids for the ferry franchise along with the wharf property used for ferry purposes belonging to the City of New York, at the foot of Grand street, in said city, will be sold to the highest bidder of an annual rental, payable quarterly, in accordance with the advertisement of sale. The minimum annual rent or upset price is fixed at \$1,500.

The highest bidder will be required to pay to the Collector of City Revenue, at the time of sale, the auctioneer's fee of \$25, and a sum equal to twenty-five per cent. of the amount of the annual rent, as security for the execution of the lease, which sum will be credited on the rent first becoming due under the lease.

The form of lease required to be executed by the highest bidder, as lessee, can be seen at the office of the Comptroller by all persons interested, and all bids will be considered as made with reference to the covenants therein contained, the same being such as are usual in ferry leases, and in the event that the highest bidder shall neglect or refuse to execute a lease prepared according to such form, and containing the terms and conditions of sale hereby approved, for more than ten days

after said sale, the amount paid on account of rent shall be forfeited at the option of the Comptroller.

A covenant of the previous lease of said franchise and ferry provides that upon any sale thereof to any person other than the lessee therein named—"The People's Ferry Company"—payment shall be made to such lessee of the appraised value at the time of the commencement of a new term of the buildings, bridges and racks at the foot of Grand street, in the City of New York, which have been constructed by such lessee for the operation of the ferry, as follows:

"And it is mutually agreed by and between the parties to these presents that if and in case any grant, lease or demise of the said ferry and right of ferriage, docks, slips, facilities, rights, privileges and franchises shall be made or granted by the parties of the first part, their successors or assigns, for a term to commence at the expiration or other sooner determination of the term herein demised, it shall be provided in and by said lease, grant or demise so made, and the same shall be upon the express condition that the lessee or lessees therein named shall pay to the said party of the second part, its successors or assigns, the value, at the time of the commencement of the new term, of the buildings, bridges and racks which shall have been provided by the said party of the second part hereto, its successors or assigns, for the operation of said franchises under this lease, which value shall be fixed and appraised within thirty days after the commencement of such new term by three disinterested and competent appraisers, to be nominated and appointed in writing, one by the said Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York, one by the said party of the second part hereto, its successors or assigns, and the third by the two so nominated and appointed as aforesaid."

Security satisfactory to the Comptroller will be required for the punctual performance by the lessee of the covenants of the lease of said ferry.

The right to reject any bid, if deemed to be for the interest of the City of New York, is reserved by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

The report was accepted and the resolution unanimously adopted, all the members present voting in the affirmative.

The Comptroller presented the following resolutions authorizing payment of bills for appraisal of lands belonging to the City:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn for the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125), payable from the appropriation entitled "Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, Expenses of," for 1887, in favor of J. Dey Conover, for appraising lands between One Hundred and Fifty-ninth and One Hundred and Sixty-fourth streets, on the Harlem river, said appraisal being made with reference to the improvement of the water-front in that locality and the sale of said lands under water upon the petition of Charles H. Holt, which were acted upon by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, October 7, 1887.

Which was unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn for the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125), payable from the appropriation entitled "Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, Expenses of," for 1887, in favor of L. J. & I. Phillips, for appraising lands between One Hundred and Fifty-ninth and One Hundred and Sixty-fourth streets, on the Harlem river, said appraisal being made with reference to the improvement of the water-front in that locality, and the sale of said lands under water upon the petition of Charles H. Holt, which were acted upon by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, October 7, 1887.

Which was unanimously adopted, all the members present voting in the affirmative.

The Comptroller presented the following certificate of Croton water rents, paid in error, and resolution to refund the amounts thereof:

Applications have been made, as per statement herewith, for the refund of Croton water rent, paid in error. The applications are severally approved by Commissioner of Public Works, the Receiver of Taxes or Clerk of Arrears, and the amount so paid, eight hundred and ten dollars and ninety-nine cents (\$810.99) has been deposited in the City Treasury to credit of the Sinking Fund for the Payment of Interest on the City Debt.

I. S. BARRETT, General Bookkeeper.

Water Register—Refunds.

William Forster	\$15 00
J. Boyce Smith	96 00
George W. Beale	2 00
Trinity Church Corporation, S. V. R. Cruger, Comptroller	17 00
Joseph Kahn	6 00
John McDonald	3 00
William H. Allee, agent	15 00
Margaret Budd	21 95
Levi Morris	14 35
Guy R. Pelton	18 85
Peter F. Maginn (two cases)	11 87
Charles J. Canda, agent	5 00
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Receiver of Taxes—Refunds.

Frank B. Mesick, executor	\$10 35
Charles Levy	32 20
	<hr/> 42 55

Clerk of Arrears—Refunds.

M. R. Bonerot	\$11 15
Strong & Cadwalader	531 27
	<hr/> 542 42

Total \$810 99

Resolved, That a warrant payable from the Sinking Fund for the Payment of Interest on the City Debt be drawn in favor of the Chamberlain, for the sum of eight hundred and ten dollars and ninety-nine cents (\$810.99) for deposit in the City Treasury to credit of "Croton Water Rent—Refunding Account," for refunding erroneous payments of Croton water rent, as per statement herewith.

Which was unanimously adopted, all the members present voting in the affirmative.

A communication was presented from the Commissioner of Public Works, with letter from Hon. George Peabody Wetmore, relative to a renewal of the lease of building No. 27 Chambers street, for offices of the Department of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Comptroller.

The Comptroller presented a communication from the Commissioner of Public Works, requesting the renewal of various leases for the use of the Department of Public Works, as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
No. 31 CHAMBERS STREET,
NEW YORK, December 3, 1887.

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

SIR—I respectfully request that the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund authorize the renewal of leases for one year from January 1, 1888, for the following premises, required for the business of this Department:

Rooms 10, 11 and 12 in the Oriental Bank Building, southwest corner of Bowery and Grand street, to be used in making photometrical tests of illuminating gas; the Oriental Bank, lessor; rental, \$600 per annum, payable quarterly.

Two rooms on the first floor of house No. 231 East Seventy-ninth street, to be used for the same purpose; Oscar T. Marshall, lessor; rental, \$360 per annum, payable quarterly.

First floor and yard of premises, No. 134 West Thirtieth street, to be used as a repair shop; Mrs. William Murtha, lessor; rental, \$40 per month, payable monthly.

Premises No. 210 East One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, to be used as a repair shop; William H. Payne, lessor; rental, \$40 per month, payable monthly. This is an increase of \$5 per

month on the rental now paid, which is demanded on account of increase in the value of the property.

The premises No. 245 East Eighty-third street, Edward C. Sheehy, lessor, now occupied as a repair shop at a rental of \$35 per month, are not capacious enough for the purposes required, and it is proposed to use instead the one-story building and premises No. 427 West Eighty-seventh street, owned by the City, but now occupied under a lease which expires May 1, 1888. If the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund and the Comptroller are willing that these premises shall be used as a Department repair shop upon the expiration of the present lease, May 1, 1888, it will be necessary to authorize a renewal of the lease of the premises No. 245 East Eighty-third street from January 1 to May 1, 1888, at the present rental.

The present lease of the building No. 31 Chambers street, occupied for offices for this Department, expires on May 1, 1888, and I have to request authority for a renewal of the lease for two years in accordance with the present terms, and at the rental of \$12,000 per annum, with privilege for further renewal for one or two years.

Very respectfully,

JOHN NEWTON, Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Comptroller.

The Comptroller presented a communication from the Secretary of the Department of Docks, transmitting a resolution of the Commissioners of that Department requesting the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund to endorse or write upon a certain map or plan of improvement of the water-front of the city, "the certificate, prescribed by statute, which was inadvertently omitted to be endorsed or written thereon," when a resolution approving said map or plan was adopted by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, April 27, 1871:

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS,
PIER "A," NORTH RIVER, BATTERY PLACE,
NEW YORK, December 1, 1887.

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

GENTLEMEN—By direction of the Board of Docks, I beg leave to transmit to you a copy of a resolution this day passed by the Board, requesting you to endorse or write upon the map described as "Sheet A" of the plan for the improvement of the water-front of this city, which, as appears by the recitals contained in the resolution above mentioned, was adopted by your Honorable Board on April 27, 1871, the certificate prescribed by statute, which was inadvertently omitted to be endorsed or written thereon.

I also transmit to you herewith the map "Sheet A" in question, requesting that you will take action with respect thereto, as requested in the said resolution, and then return the same to me.

Very respectfully,

G. KEMBLE, Secretary.

Whereas, This Board, pursuant to the provisions of section six of chapter five hundred and seventy-four of the Laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, determined upon a plan or plans for the improvement of that part of the water-front of the City of New York upon the North or Hudson river, south of the northerly line of Sixty-first street, and that part of the water-front of the said city upon the East river, between the easterly line of Whitehall street and the easterly line of Corlears street; and

Whereas, This Board did, upon or before the twenty-seventh day of April, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, send the said plan or plans, together with the documents, specifications, estimates and particulars relating thereto, to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of the said city for the purpose of adoption or rejection by them as provided and directed by the said statute; and

Whereas, The plan or plans so determined upon and sent to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund are described as follows:

Sheet "A," a general map, showing the lines of the proposed River street, from Sixty-first street, North river, to Grand street, East river; scale 1/10,000.

Sheet "C" (four in number) shows the position and dimensions of proposed piers and slips, and the River street, from the Battery to Grand street, East river, fifty feet to one inch.

Sheet "D" (seven in number) shows the position and dimensions of proposed piers and slips and the River street from the Battery to Sixty-first street, North river, on a scale of fifty feet to one inch; and

Whereas, The Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, by a resolution passed by them on the twenty-seventh day of April, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, adopted the maps comprising Sheets "A," "C," and "D," as above described, pursuant to the provisions of the said statute, and prescribed the form of a certificate of such adoption, which was directed to be endorsed or written upon the plan or plans adopted by them; and

Whereas, The said plans were returned to this Board with the said certificate in the form so prescribed endorsed or written upon all of them, except the said map or plan described as Sheet "A"; and

Whereas, The said certificate was inadvertently omitted to be endorsed or written upon the said Sheet "A," as directed by the said resolution and the same now remains in this Department with no certificate endorsed thereon;

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund be and they are hereby requested to endorse or write a certificate upon the said map described in their said resolution passed April twenty-seventh, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, as Sheet "A," as prescribed by their said resolution and by the said statute, and to affix their signatures to such certificate and to return the same to this Board; and

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Board transmit the said map to the said Commissioners of the Sinking Fund for that purpose.

Referred to the Counsel to the Corporation for his opinion upon the legal effect of the omission of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund to endorse or write and sign said certificate upon said map, when it was adopted in 1871, and their authority to do so at the present time, and if it can be now legally done he is requested to prescribe the form of such endorsement.

The Chairman of the Committee on Finance of the Board of Aldermen reported verbally that he had examined the plans for the improvement of the water-front of the Harlem river, from Eighty-sixth street to Third avenue, submitted by the Department of Docks, and referred to him at the last meeting of this Board, and presented a resolution approving of said plans or a portion thereof, pursuant to the provisions of law, as follows:

Resolved, That after due examination the plan for the improvement of the water-front on the westerly side of Harlem river, between the northerly side of East Eighty-sixth street and the easterly side of Third avenue, determined by the Department of Docks on the 13th day of October, 1887, be and the same hereby is approved and adopted by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, except so much thereof as lies between the northerly line of East Eighty-sixth street and the easterly line of Avenue B, which is not approved or adopted.

Which was unanimously adopted, all the members present voting in the affirmative.

The Chairman of the Committee on Finance of the Board of Aldermen submitted the following report upon the application of George W. Quintard and George E. Weed, as assignees of John Roach, deceased, for a release from the City of the covenants and conditions contained in a certain grant of lands under water on the East river, referred to him at the last meeting of this Board:

NEW YORK, December 19, 1887.

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

GENTLEMEN—At the last meeting of the Board, the application of George W. Quintard and George E. Weed, as assignees of John Roach, for a release from the City of certain covenants and conditions contained in a water-grant of certain premises east of Avenue D, between Ninth and Tenth streets, made by the City to Nicholas W. Stuyvesant, was referred to me.

In pursuance of this reference, I have the honor to make the following report:

It appears from the records of the Common Council that on October 11, 1824, a petition was presented to that body by Nicholas W. Stuyvesant for a water-grant in front of his premises between Ninth and Tenth streets. The application having been referred to the Committee on Finance, was favorably reported upon and on October 25, 1824, a resolution was adopted by the Common Council in the following words:

"Resolved, That the counsel prepare a grant for a water-lot to Nicholas W. Stuyvesant for ground under water, opposite his land between Ninth and Tenth streets, upon terms similar to those prescribed in the case of Charles Henry Hall, and upon the other usual terms, conditions and restrictions."

In pursuance of this action there was prepared, duly executed and delivered to Nicholas W. Stuyvesant, a deed of the premises in question, dated on the 25th day of October, 1824, by which the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York granted to him said land in fee, reserving certain annual rents in perpetuity. These rents were subsequently commuted by agreement between the City and Mr. Roach and the property formally released therefrom.

The deed also contained certain covenants on the part of the grantee, by which he bound himself, his heirs and assigns at their own expense, to construct certain streets and avenues through and along the premises conveyed when so required by the City, and that they would from time to time and at

all times forever thereafter, at their own expense, uphold and keep the same in good order and repair.

In case of a failure by the grantee, his heirs or assigns, to construct such streets or wharves, it was provided that the City might either construct the same for its own benefit or sell the right to do so with the accompanying privileges and emoluments to another.

In case of the violation of any of these covenants the City was to have a right of re-entry; in other words, the estate of the grantee was forfeited.

By sundry mesne conveyances the title to the property has become vested in the petitioners, who now apply for a release from the covenant to uphold and keep the abutting streets in good order and repair.

The application is obviously predicated upon the assumption that it belongs to the Sinking Fund Commissioners to determine whether the city shall release and discharge covenants and conditions prescribed by the Common Council and contained in a grant made solely by and under its authority.

This assumption is, I think, a mistaken one. While the Sinking Fund Commission was in existence in 1824, when this grant was made, it possessed more limited powers than it now enjoys. It had then no jurisdiction or power over the sale, leasing or granting of the real estate of the City.

The control over and disposition of this species of property then rested exclusively with the Common Council, and it belonged to that body solely to authorize sales, fix upon terms and prescribe upon what covenants, conditions and provisions grants should be made, and this is precisely what was done in the case of the grant under consideration, in which the Sinking Fund Commission did not assume to participate. In 1844, however, some twenty years after, additional ordinances were passed by the Common Council extending the sources of revenue for the redemption of the city debt, giving control to the Commission, in furtherance of this object, of "the net proceeds of all sales of real estate belonging to the Corporation when sold," and authorizing the Commissioners to sell such property from time to time in the manner prescribed in the ordinance.

It is quite plain, then, that the Sinking Fund Commissioners neither exercised nor possessed any authority either to sell the property in question or to prescribe the terms upon which such sale should be made.

Power to discharge these covenants cannot therefore be deduced from any original authority to create them.

If, then, the authority and jurisdiction of the Commission now invoked exists at all, it can only be found by holding that the right of re-entry reserved in the grants to the Corporation for breach of condition is real estate or property susceptible of transfer or pledge by the City and which consequently passed under control of the Sinking Fund Commissioners when their powers were extended in 1844, in the manner I have already mentioned. We are thus led to the consideration of the nature and extent of the interest which the Corporation had in the property after the grant in question had been made: or in other words, the legal value of a right of re-entry for breach of conditions contained in a conveyance in fee.

This subject has been the occasion of considerable discussion both in text-books and judicial decisions in this State and elsewhere.

In the case of *De Peyster vs. Michaels*, 6 New York, 467, the Court held of a right of re-entry for non-payment of rent or the non-performance of other covenants contained in a conveyance in fee, that "it is not a reversion nor is it the possibility of reversion nor is it any estate in the land. It is a mere right or chose in action and if enforced the grantor would be in by the forfeiture of a condition and not by a reverter. At common law a right of entry being a mere right of action could not be granted over."

Again, the Court says, "It is no more than the possibility of a forfeiture. When property is held on condition all the attributes and incidents of absolute property belong to it until the condition is broken."

In the case of *Nicoll* against the New York and Erie Railroad Company, 12 New York, 121, this same question was again under discussion in the Court of Appeals.

In this case one Dederer, being the owner of a parcel of land, conveyed a portion of it to a Railroad Company in fee, upon condition, nevertheless, that the company should complete its road within the time prescribed in its charter. Subsequently, Dederer conveyed to a third person (under whom the plaintiff claimed) the entire farm, of which the parcel sold to the company had formed a part, subject only to such right as the company had in any portion thereof.

The company failed to comply with the condition. The plaintiff, claiming that by the deed from Dederer of the entire farm, he had obtained all the rights and interests, including the right of re-entry for condition broken, which existed in Dederer's favor under the grant to the railroad company, brought ejectment to recover the parcel conveyed to the company for the breach of the condition.

The Court held that the railroad company by the conveyance from Dederer took an estate in fee upon condition subsequent, that at the time of the conveyance to the plaintiff there had been no forfeiture and that Dederer had at the time of such conveyance no assignable interest in the premises.

The nature of the estate taken by the railroad company in this case was precisely the same as that taken by *Stuyvesant* by the grant which he received from the City, namely, an estate in fee upon condition subsequent. The conclusions and reasoning in that case are, therefore, pertinent to the case now before us.

In giving the opinion of the Court, the Judges say: "But where a fee simple without a reservation of rents is granted upon a condition subsequent, as in this case, there is no estate remaining in the grantor. There is simply a possibility of reverter, but that is no estate. There is not even a possibility coupled with an interest, but a bare possibility alone. It has been said such possibilities were assignable in equity; but those were interests of a very different character, as I will presently show. So far from including these, Kent says (4 Kent's Com., 130): 'A court of equity will never lend its aid to divest an estate for the breach of a condition subsequent.'"

The case which I have just cited is considered a leading one on this subject, and the doctrine it lays down is unchallenged.

Judge Murray Hoffman, in his valuable treatise on "The Estates and Rights of the Corporation of New York," also treats of this subject at considerable length in his chapter entitled "Restrictions on Alienations."

After considering the question of the right under statute of a grantee of quit-rents to exercise the right of re-entry for condition broken when the breach consisted of a failure to pay rent, he says "But, in my opinion, a naked assignment of the rights reserved in a grant in fee could not pass a right to take advantage of the breach of other distinct conditions not connected with recovery of such rents or the preservation of the estate."

He cites the case of *The People vs. The Commissioners of the Sinking Fund* in the Superior Court in which he had prepared an opinion that was concurred in by Judge Duer. In that case a conveyance of certain property had been made by the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York to a religious corporation upon condition that if the property should at any time thereafter be appropriated, applied or converted to private, secular uses, then it should be lawful for the Mayor, etc., their successors and assigns to re-enter. The question under advisement was whether by virtue of this condition any interest in the property passed in any way to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund. His conclusion, most strongly expressed, was adverse. He says, "The proposition deducible from them (certain cases cited and briefly submitted) is this: that the right to re-enter, upon the breach of the condition as to the appropriation of the property, could not have passed to a stranger either by the most absolute conveyance of the whole estate, right, title and interest of the Corporation or by words expressly adapted and purporting to pass such right. This result appears to me so palpable that no argument or citation is necessary to sustain it and no reasoning can weaken it."

From this review of the law which has been given, it would seem to be reasonably well established that a right of re-entry for the breach of conditions similar to those under consideration, is not property in any of the senses in which that word is used in the ordinances creating and defining the rights and duties of the Sinking Fund Commission, and that whatever it might be defined to be, it is assignable, neither at law nor in equity, and therefore not susceptible of transfer by the City to the Sinking Fund Commission or to any other body. It must follow, then, that the Corporation proper, as the original grantor, is the only body which, upon a breach of these conditions, can re-enter, and that such re-entry would be entirely in its own right. Upon such re-entry and a consequent forfeiture of the original title and a reversion of the same in the City, a very different condition of affairs would exist, and, doubtless, such property, being then in the absolute ownership of the Corporation, would, as subsequently acquired real estate, be subject to the pledge to the Sinking Fund of "the net proceeds of all sales of real estate belonging to the Corporation when sold," which it is assumed applies to after-acquired property as well as to that of which the City was seized at the time the ordinance was passed. That, however, is not at all the condition of affairs presented to us. It has been suggested, however, that because this would be the result in case of a re-entry that therefore the Sinking Fund Commission has a future probability of interest which in equity would be considered as sufficient to require the assent of the Commission to the release by the Corporation of a condition which, if broken, and if the Corporation should re-enter for such breach, would result in the acquisition of the property and an increase in the resources of the Sinking Fund. The answer to this would seem to be that the law looks with disfavor upon conditions which qualify the absolute ownership of property, abhors forfeitures and in the exercise of its equitable powers will relieve from them whenever practicable. In the case of *Nicoll vs. The New York and Erie Railroad Company*, above cited, the court refers with approval to the statement of Chancellor Kent that a "Court of Equity will never lend its aid to divest an estate for the breach of a condition subsequent." The policy which would compel the City to lie in wait for one of its citizens for the purpose of forfeiting his estate and so increasing its own wealth, is one which would meet with little approval from a "Court of Conscience" and must call for some very much stronger reason for its exercise than any which could be presented in the case under consideration.

When we also consider the obvious fact that the forfeitures provided for in these grants were never intended as means of emolument to the City but solely as incentives to the grantees to keep what they had got by compliance with their covenants the idea of any interference by a court of

equity with agreements between the City and its grantees for the release of such covenants on the theory that sources of revenue are being destroyed, appears to be quite untenable, especially when the covenants relate to the performance by the grantees of duties which the City itself owes to the public and which it now seeks legitimately to resume for the better administration of its governmental functions.

The conclusion to be drawn from what has been said seems plain. The right of re-entry for breach of condition in these cases remains in the Corporation.

The Commissioners of the Sinking Fund not being parties to the covenants, having no interest or estate in the premises and no power to take advantage of the right of re-entry for breach of the conditions in question, are strangers to the matter and therefore without power to grant the relief asked for by the petitioners. At best the exercise of any such power would be of such very doubtful legality as to render it improper for public officers to attempt it.

While it is unnecessary to say more respecting the particular grant under discussion, the importance of the whole subject is such that it may perhaps be excusable if I call the attention of the Commissioners to another class of water-grants which present further obstacles to the exercise of power either by this Commission or by any other municipal body to release the covenants and conditions they contain. I refer to all water grants made since February, 1844. These grants are in form and in substance the same as those made in previous years, except that quit-rents are not reserved and one or two covenants are added. The source of authority for their issue, however, is different. Prior to 1844, as we have seen, all such grants were made under special authority from the Common Council in each case. In February, 1844, however, the ordinances relating to the Sinking Fund were extended so as to confer authority for the first time upon this Commission to make such grants, according to a scale of prices, and regulating the manner in which the power should be exercised.

One of the provisions of these ordinances is as follows: "All grants made by virtue of these ordinances shall contain the usual covenants, including those in relation to streets and avenues passing through them and also in relation to bulkheads and wharves."

As the Sinking Fund Commission is a statutory body, of specifically expressed powers, it is plain that it may not do any act not fairly coming within some expressed power; and certainly none which may be in derogation of any of its powers. It is quite evident, therefore, that when the ordinances which create it prescribe that the grants it may make shall contain certain covenants, it is quite beyond its power subsequently to destroy that which it has been required to create. Nor is it at all likely that the Common Council can either exercise this power itself or modify these ordinances so as to confer it upon this Commission.

In several independent acts, which have been accepted by the City, the Legislature of the State has prohibited the Common Council from any attempt to modify, alter or repeal the Sinking Fund ordinances.

Moreover, the provisions of the Charter of 1873 embodied in section 170 of the New York City Consolidation Act, expressly provide that the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund shall continue "with all the powers and duties now assigned, designated and ratified by existing ordinances." So far, then, as the authority of the municipality is concerned, and in fact for every purpose, these ordinances have now all the force and effect of public statutes unchangeable, except in so far as the Legislature may have either the will or the power to modify them. While, then, in the case of grants prior to 1844, the Common Council may have power to authorize the release of such covenants, it would seem to be quite clear that as to grants subsequently made nothing can be done without State legislative authority.

Assuming that the right to release exists or shall be secured by appropriate legislation, there is another embarrassment to be encountered in the case of many of these grants, especially the older ones, arising out of the immense sub-division into small lots under separate ownerships of what were originally single parcels of land, included in one grant, subject to covenants, conditions and restrictions applicable, of course, to the entire parcel conveyed.

A condition is in its nature indivisible. The effect of a release of such a condition to one of many owners of separate portions of land, the whole of which was originally the subject of a single grant upon condition, would probably discharge the condition in toto as to the entire estate. It is very doubtful whether it would be competent for the Legislature, under any form of legislation, to prevent this result, as it is difficult to escape the conclusion that such an attempted change in the legal effect of an executed grant would be an interference with vested rights prohibited by the Constitution.

It is plain, then, that unless any proposed commutation of the covenants is made with all or the greater part of the owners of the original parcel, the peril of attempting to carry any such arrangement into effect would be very great.

The considerations I have submitted are intended to indicate the many embarrassments which environ the subject from a legal standpoint, with the idea of leading up to the suggestion of some practicable remedy which shall save the interests of the City and justify a better management of the water-grant streets.

The method originally devised of compelling the abutting owners to take charge of these streets was no doubt in its early application found to work satisfactorily, but with the subsequent sub-division of these large grants into numerous small ownerships, it has become cumbersome beyond management. As we all know, the result has been that for many years past the City authorities have kept these streets in repair at the general expense and the property-owners have enjoyed immunity from the performance of the obligations upon which the tenure of their property depends.

It is obvious that the present system must continue, but with a due regard to the interests of the general public, who have a right to expect that when a right is surrendered, which formed an element of the consideration upon a conveyance of the public lands, adequate compensation should be made to the City.

The policy of commuting these covenants and conditions upon the payment of a gross sum, to be ascertained on equitable principles is therefore recommended; but in a spirit of liberality in view of the fact that most, if not all, of the present many owners of this kind of property have purchased and paid full value for it, as unencumbered real estate under the excusable impression, if they had any knowledge of the covenants at all, that the practice of the City in treating these streets the same as any others was in pursuance of some change of policy, and that there was no intention of enforcing what seemed to be the obsolete system of a long past period.

To carry out any plan of settlement it is obvious that legislation is necessary, at least in so far as grants made by the City since 1844 are concerned.

Such legislation should vest in the City power to release or modify the covenants in question upon such terms as might be agreed upon with the property-owners. The consideration for such release or modification should be paid into the Sinking Fund.

Until such a release shall be given, all property which shall have been granted upon such covenants should be subject to a lien for the annual actual cost incurred by the City for reparations of the street on which it abuts, to be certified by the Commissioner of Public Works to the Comptroller, and to become a lien upon such certificate being filed in the Finance Department and to be enforceable in the same manner as Croton Water rents.

A provision should also be inserted in the proposed bill which shall in effect provide against its nullification by reason of the legal effect upon the whole, of discharging a separate owner of a part of the property from the conditions of the grant. This might be done by providing that where such covenants and conditions may be discharged by operation of law or other than by specific release of the particular parcel in question, the provisions of the act as to the assessment of cost of reparation shall continue to apply until the property in question be released from the operation of the act by the City upon such terms as may be agreed upon.

HENRY R. BECKMAN.

The Chamberlain moved that the report be accepted and printed and that the application of the petitioners be denied.

The vote taken was:

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Chamberlain and the Chairman Finance Committee, Board of Aldermen—3.

Negative—The Comptroller—1.

The Recorder absent.

The Chamberlain then moved that the vote be reconsidered and the whole matter be referred to the Counsel to the Corporation to report as early as practicable whether he concurs in the conclusions of the report thereon submitted to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

Which motion was carried.

Adjourned.

RICHARD A. STORRS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

At a meeting of the Board of Docks, held December 15, 1887.

Present—Commissioners Stark, Matthews and Marshall.

The minutes of the meetings held December 9, 10 and 12, 1887, were read and approved.

The communication from Joseph Cornell, President of the Citizens' Steamboat Company of Troy, requesting lease of Pier, new 46, North river, was read and referred to the Finance Committee for further consideration.

The communication from E. Ellery Anderson, attorney John Nesbitt's Sons, in reference to the encroachment of fences and sheds at foot of Thirty-seventh street, East river, was read and referred to the Finance Committee for further consideration.

On motion, laid on the table.

A communication from the Civil Service Supervisory and Examining Boards, in reference to the working of the Civil Service system as applied to the Department was, on motion, laid on the table.

The following communications were received, read, and,

On motion, ordered to be placed on file, action being taken where necessary as stated, to wit: From Hon. Abram S. Hewitt, Mayor—Transmitting resolution adopted by the Board of Aldermen for the paving of Fortieth street, from First avenue to the East river, with trap-blocks. The action of the President in directing the Engineer-in-Chief to examine and report was approved.

From Comptroller of the City—Approving sureties of Duncan A. Gillies to his contract for building crib-bulkhead foot of One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, North river.

From Department of Public Works—Reporting hole in Pier foot of Eighth street, East river. The action of the Secretary in advising that the Engineer-in-Chief of this Department has been directed to fence off the dangerous portion of said Pier was approved.

From Department of Street Cleaning—In relation to the agreement made with Commissioner Marshall for the cleaning of the Piers and bulkheads under the control of this Department.

From the Counsel to the Corporation—In reference to form of contract for building pier and bulkhead at One Hundred and Seventeenth street, Harlem river.

From North and East River Steamboat Company and John D. Deveau—Requesting permit to lay water-pipes on Pier, new 32, East river. The action of the President in directing the Engineer-in-Chief to examine and report was approved.

From Belloni & Co.—Requesting permit to open bulkhead in front of building No. 41 South street, to make repairs to drain-pipe. The action of the President in issuing a permit, the work to be done under the direction and supervision of the Engineer-in-Chief, was approved.

From Wilson, Adams & Co.—In reference to the inspection of timber ordered by the Department. The action of the President in directing the Engineer-in-Chief to examine and report was approved.

From Simon Stevens, Attorney—Respecting the settlement of the bills submitted by the Department for dredging at Piers 12, 13 and 14, East river.

From S. A. Frost—Requesting permission to repair Piers 19 and 28, East river. The action of the President in issuing a permit, the work to be done under the direction and supervision of the Engineer-in-Chief was approved.

From Union Stock Yard and Market Company—Stating that the required repairs will be made to Pier foot of Fifty-eighth street, North river.

From Bernard Kirsch—Requesting permission to place cat-boat in Department Yard, foot of East Seventeenth street, East river.

From William Grier—Desiring to be informed upon what terms the Department will lease the water-front foot of Fifty-first street, East river. The Secretary directed to advise Mr. Grier that the Board cannot lease wharf property, except at public auction.

From Charles H. Tweed, attorney for C. P. Huntington—In reference to the proposed lease for bulkhead adjoining Pier, new 37, North river. Referred to Commissioner Marshall.

From Frank Doughty—Tendering his resignation as Carpenter. Resignation accepted.

From Vanderpoel, Green, Cuming & Goodwin, attorneys for Edward Roberts—Requesting the Department to suspend action respecting wharf property at Ninety-fourth street, East river. Referred to Commissioner Marshall.

From Brown & Fleming—Requesting a reduction in rent for dumping-board located at the foot of Rivington street, East river. Referred to Commissioner Matthews with power.

From Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company—Stating that repairs are being made to water-pipes on Pier, new 43, North river.

From Engineer-in-Chief:

1st. Reporting assignment of employees to special duty.

2d. Reporting the amount of work done during the week ending December 10, 1887.

3d. Reporting the repairs required to the bulkhead between Piers 43 and 44, East river. The action of the President in directing the Engineer-in-Chief to repair, as recommended in his report, at a cost of about \$15, was approved.

4th. Reporting completion of new Pier at One Hundred and Thirty-second street, North river; of building new crib-bulkhead at and south of West One Hundred and Thirty-second street, and repairing old crib-bulkhead north of Pier at One Hundred and Thirty-first street, North river. The action of the President in directing the Dock Master to collect wharfage from all vessels using said premises was approved.

5th. Reporting that repairs have been commenced to the bulkhead foot of Corlears street, East river.

6th. Reporting that he had suspended Laborer Patrick Maguire for ten days, and recommending that his action be approved.

On motion, his action was approved.

7th. Reporting repairs required to Piers at West Seventeenth and Eighteenth streets, North river. The Engineer-in-Chief directed to repair as recommended in his reports.

8th. Reporting non-commencement of repairs to cluster of piles at Pier 59, East river.

On motion, the action of the Board directing the owners of the tug "Three Brothers" to repair the damage done to said piles was revoked, and the subject-matter respecting the repairing of the piles referred to the Engineer-in-Chief.

9th. Report on Secretary's Order No. 7271, in reference to the application of James Sutherland for permission to fill-in and build a crib-bulkhead between Twenty-eighth and Twenty-ninth streets, East river, and recommending that the same be denied.

On motion, the report of the Engineer-in-Chief was received and recommendation adopted.

10th. Report on Secretary's Orders Nos. 7287, 7288, 7289 and 7290, respecting the resolutions passed by the Board of Aldermen for regulating, grading, etc., of West Fifty-sixth street, from Eleventh avenue to the North river; East Forty-first street, from First avenue to the East river, and East Eighty-third and Eighty-fourth streets, from Avenue B to the East river. The action of the President in sending copies of said reports to Hon. Abram S. Hewitt, Mayor, was approved.

11th. Report on Secretary's Order No. 6157, that he had made a survey of the premises between Thirty-eighth and Thirty-ninth streets, East river, which is on file in this office.

12th. Report on Secretary's Order No. 7284, in reference to the application of Wilson & Adams for an Inspector of Timber to examine some ordered from them at their yard foot of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, Harlem river.

13th. Report on Secretary's Order No. 7304, respecting the resolution passed by the Board of Aldermen for the paving of Fortieth street, from First avenue to the East river, with trap-block pavement. The President authorized to transmit copy of said report to Hon. Abram S. Hewitt, Mayor.

14th. Report on Secretary's Order No. 7297, as to coal-run structure erected at bulkhead north of Forty-third street, East river, by the Consumers' Coal Company.

15th. Report on Secretary's Order No. 7225, that he had repaired the pavement in front of bulkhead, between Piers, old 35 and 36, North river, near the north side of Pier, old 35, North river.

16th. Report on Secretary's Order No. 7231, that he had repaired bulkhead-platform, foot of Seventy-fifth street, East river.

17th. Report on Secretary's Order No. 7218, that he had repaired the pavement on City's portion of bulkhead, south side of Pier, old 35, North river.

18th. Report on Secretary's Order No. 7099, that he had made the repairs and furnished supplies to Dock Master's office, at Seventy-ninth street, North river.

19th. Report on Secretary's Order No. 6832, reference to repairs, etc., bulkhead, westerly side of Pier 38, East river.

20th. Report on Secretary's Order No. 7090, that he had superintended repairing ferry premises between Thirty-fifth and Thirty-sixth streets, North river.

21st. Report on Secretary's Order No. 7217, that repairs have been made to the pavement adjoining and in front of bulkhead north of Pier, old 34, North river.

22d. Report on Secretary's Order No. 7223, that he had superintended repairing ferry-racks foot of West Twenty-third street, North river.

23d. Report on Secretary's Order No. 3649, that he had supervised the building of a crib-bulkhead southwest of One Hundred and Sixty-first street, Cronwell's creek, and filling-in rear of same.

24th. Report on Secretary's Order No. 6207, that he had superintended the alterations to shed on Pier 18, North river.

25th. Report on Secretary's Orders Nos. 7210, 7224 and 7219, that he had superintended cutting backing-log on Pier, new 32, East river.

26th. Report on Secretary's Order No. 7242, that he had superintended removal of scow sunk at Pier foot of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, North river.

27th. Report on Secretary's Order No. 7293, that he had directed and superintended the opening of bulkhead between Piers 12 and 13, East river, for the purpose of repairing drain-pipe.

28th. Report on Secretary's Order No. 7237, that he had superintended replacing fender-piles on Pier 5, North river.

29th. Report on Secretary's Order No. 7234, that he had superintended replacing fender-piles at the ends of ferry racks at Christopher street, North river.

30th. Report on Secretary's Order No. 7146, that he had superintended repairing ferry-rack at Fourteenth street, North river.

From P. Curley, Dock Master:

1st. Recommending that the bulkheads between Piers, new 36 to 40, North river, be cleaned. Referred to the Engineer-in-Chief to examine and report.

2d. Reporting that repairs are required to Pier, old 54, foot of Perry street, and Pier at West Eleventh street, North river. The action of the President in directing the Engineer-in-Chief to repair was approved.

From Charles Hutchinson, Dock Master:

1st. Stating that he is collecting wharfage for use of bulkhead heretofore occupied by J. L. Miller at Forty-third street, East river.

2d. Reporting that Cornelius Gallagher has commenced to dig a trench on the westerly side of East Thirty-eighth street, and about twenty-one feet from bulkhead-line.

3d. Reporting that the Consumers' Coal Company are erecting a structure to be used as a coal bin on easterly side of East Forty-third street. The action of the President in directing the Engineer-in-Chief to examine and report was approved.

From Edward Abel, Dock Master—Reporting chain fastenings loose spring-pile on the outer upper corner of Pier 44, East river. The action of the President in directing the Engineer-in-Chief to repair at once was approved.

From David W. Bogert, Dock Master—Reporting that the bulkhead, between Piers, old 35 and 36 North river, requires cleaning. The action of the President in directing the Engineer-in-Chief to examine and report was approved.

From Joseph B. Erwin, Dock Master—In reference to the complaint of John Smith as to obstructions on Pier at Fifty-fifth street, North river.

From Charles H. Pendergast, Dock Master—Reporting several holes in the sheathing on the north side of Pier 58, East river. The action of the President in directing the Engineer-in-Chief to examine and report was approved.

From Charles H. Thompson, Dock Master:

1st. In reference to the complaint of the New York, South Brooklyn Ferry and Steam Transportation Company as to the obstruction in front of ferry-slip, Pier 3, East river.

2d. In reference to the berthing of canal boats by persons in the employ of the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company.

The report of the Engineer-in-Chief on Secretary's Order No. 6684, submitting plans, specifications and form of contract for building a new pier and approach, foot of West Thirty-eighth street, North river, was,

On motion, ordered to be placed on file and the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the plans, form of contract and specifications, as prepared and submitted by the Engineer-in-Chief, for building a new pier with a temporary approach at the foot of West Thirty-eighth street, North river, in place of the old pier which is to be removed, and for repairing the existing crib-bulkhead at the foot of the street, be and hereby are approved, subject to the approval of the Counsel to the Corporation as to form, and the Secretary be and hereby is directed to have a sufficient number of blank forms of proposals printed, and proper advertisements inviting estimates for doing said work inserted in the papers designated by law.

The application of Thomas F. White, offt contractor, requesting at least two hundred and fifty feet of the outer end of Pier foot of West Thirty-seventh street, North river, was received, read, and together with the communication from Health Commissioner James C. Bayles in relation thereto, referred to the Engineer-in-Chief to examine and report.

A communication from Hon. Abram S. Hewitt, Mayor, transmitting communication received from Francis M. Scott, Assistant Counsel to the Corporation, referring to matters in the Department, was,

On motion, referred to Commissioners Matthews and Marshall.

On motion, the President was authorized to transmit to the Comptroller the balance-sheet for the month of November, 1887.

On motion, the claim of John A. Bouker for three days' demurrage on Scow No. 8, loaded with cobbles at Franklin Street Section, October 27, 28, and 29, 1887, at \$7 per day, amounting to \$21, was allowed, and the Chief Clerk directed to include said amount in the next audit.

The communication from the Comptroller of the City, transmitting copy of resolution adopted by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, at a meeting held on the 1st day of December, 1887, approving of the alteration of the lines of Pier, new 24, East river, were received, read, and together with the plans, ordered to be placed on file, and the Secretary directed to enter the resolution in full on the minutes, as follows:

Resolved, That the action of the Board of Docks, taken at a regular meeting thereof, held on the tenth day of May, eighteen hundred and eighty-six, in changing the width and location of the proposed new pier number Twenty-four, to be built at or near the foot of Roosevelt street, East river, from the lines thereof as laid down on the plan heretofore determined upon by the said Board of Docks, and approved by this Board pursuant to the provisions of section six of chapter five hundred and seventy-four of the Laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, be and the same is hereby approved, the lines of the said proposed new pier number Twenty-four to be as indicated on the map on file in the office of the Department of Docks and presented to this Board herewith and described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the established bulkhead-line of 1871, which point is also in the easterly side of Pier, old 29, East river, as it exists at present; thence running in a straight line to the southeasterly corner of Pier, old 29, East river, as it exists at present; thence running in a straight line toward the southwesterly corner of Pier, old 29, as it exists at present, a distance of 171 feet; thence deflecting to the right an angle of forty-seven degrees from the last-described line and running westerly a distance of 24 feet; thence deflecting to the right an angle of thirty-nine degrees from the last-described line and running northerly a distance of 27 feet; thence deflecting to the right an angle of twenty-three degrees from the last-described line and running northerly a distance of 165 feet; thence deflecting to the right an angle of eighty-four degrees from the last-described line and running easterly a distance of 50 feet; thence running northerly to a point in the established bulkhead line 107 feet distant and westerly from the point of beginning, measuring in said established bulkhead-line.

Provided that the action of the said Board of Docks and of this Board in making and approving such change of the width and location of the said pier shall in no way prejudice any right, title or interest that the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York may now have or be entitled to assert with respect to the structure of the present pier now existing in part or wholly erected upon the site of said proposed new pier, which present pier is known as Pier Old No. 29, or to the wharfage, cranes, advantage and emoluments thereof, or to the land or lands covered with water upon which the said present pier stands.

The communication from the Comptroller of the City transmitting copy of resolution adopted by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund on the first day of December, 1887, returning the plans submitted by the Department for the improvement of the water-front between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-eighth streets, East river, was received and ordered to be spread in full on the minutes, as follows:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be authorized to return the plans for the improvement of the water-front between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-eighth streets, East river, presented to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund for their approval December 28, 1886, as requested by the Department of Docks.

The report from the Engineer-in-Chief on Secretary's Order No. 7194, that he had made requisition for dredging in front of bulkhead for one hundred feet south of Cherry street, East river, and supervised the work thereat, which was done by the Union Dredging Company, at a cost of \$252.40, was,

On motion, ordered to be placed on file, and the following preambles and resolution were adopted:

Whereas, It appears that notice was given on February 23, March 2, November 3 and 15, 1887, to Henry Keteltas to deepen and dredge water at the bulkhead, one hundred feet south of Cherry street, East river, of which the said Henry Keteltas is alleged owner, and that said notices were not complied with after a reasonable period had been allowed for the commencement of the work, and

Whereas, Said work of deepening and dredging the water at or near the premises referred to has been done by this Department (in accordance with authority conferred upon it by section 721 of the Consolidation Act of 1882), and Rule No. 9 of the Rules and Regulations of the Department, at a cost of \$252.40; therefore

Resolved, That a bill for the above amount be rendered to the said Henry Keteltas and demand for payment of same be made with affidavit of personal service, and in case of neglect of the said Henry Keteltas to pay the amount in full within ten days from the presentation of the account that the claim be placed in the hands of the Counsel to the Corporation for collection.

The Treasurer, Commissioner Matthews, submitted his report of receipts for the week ending December 13, 1887, amounting to \$30,547.40, which was received and ordered to be spread in full on the minutes, as follows:

DATE.	FROM WHOM.	FOR WHAT.	AMOUNT.	TOTAL.	DATE DEPOSITED.
1887.					1887.
Dec. 9	N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.	1 qrs. rent bld. pfm. S. Pier 50, E. R.	\$1,000 00		
" 9	Consumers' Ice Co.	1 mos. rent Pier at Horatio street.	100 00		
				\$1,100 00	Dec. 9
" 12	N. Y., L. E. & W. R. R. Co.	Pier 8, E. R.	\$2,000 00		
" 12	"	Piers 20 and 21, etc., N. R.	23,750 00		
" 12	"	L. u. w., bet. W. 23d and 22d sts., N. R.	427 87		
" 12	David S. Yuengling, Jr.	Pier at W. 129th street.	250 00		
				26,427 87	Dec. 12

DATE.	FROM WHOM.	FOR WHAT.	AMOUNT.	TOTAL.	DATE DEPOSITED.
1887.					1887.
Dec. 13	Union Dredging Co.....	Use of Department dredges.....	\$286 52		
" 13	David W. Bogert.....	Wharfage District No. 2.....	182 78		
" 13	Patrick Curley.....	" 4.....	781 32		
" 13	Charles B. Husted.....	" 6.....	222 52		
" 13	Patrick J. Brady.....	" 8.....	169 02		
" 13	Joseph B. Erwin.....	" 10.....	159 98		
" 13	John J. Ryan.....	" 12.....	159 87		
" 13	Charles H. Thompson.....	" 1.....	209 78		
" 13	Edward Abeel.....	" 3.....	233 70		
" 13	Charles H. Pendergast.....	" 5.....	374 76		
" 13	Charles Hutchins.....	" 7.....	125 68		
" 13	George A. Dearborn.....	" 9.....	70 32		
" 13	John Callan.....	" 11.....	43 28		
			\$3,019 53		Dec. 13
			\$30,547 40	\$30,547 40	

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES MATTHEWS, Treasurer.

G. KEMBLE, Secretary.

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS,
PIER "A" NORTH RIVER,
NEW YORK, December 22, 1887.

Hon. ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor of the City of New York:

SIR—I beg to submit to you the following statement of the services rendered by this Department to the other Departments of the City Government, which I trust will be of interest. My object in making this is simply to show that, apart from the general work and operations of the Department of Docks, it performs certain obligations, if they may be so called, to the other Departments in the way of providing them with facilities needed by them and in maintaining and repairing the property which is assigned to them for their use. It is perfectly proper that this Department should do this, though it is only fair to say that its expenditures are increased and its revenues are diminished thereby, and that in any full showing of the results of the work of the Department, these items of expenditure and loss of revenue should be taken into account.

First—The Department of Public Charities and Correction.

For this the Department of Docks has provided a pier at the foot of Twenty-sixth street, East river, of which the Department of Charities and Correction has the exclusive use. This pier was built in 1885 at a cost of \$43,174.63, and the expense of maintaining it is borne by this Department. Landing places for the boats of the Department of Public Charities and Correction have been constructed at different points, namely: Fifty-second street, Seventy-sixth street and One Hundred and Twentieth street. The building and maintenance of the wharves at Blackwell's, Randall's, Ward's and Hart's Islands, come also within the work performed for the Department of Charities and Correction.

Second—Fire Department.

The Fire Department has two berths for its fire-boats; one at the foot of Thirteenth street, North river, and the other at Pier 48, East river. Both these piers are maintained by this Department, and the work of dredging in the slips occupied by the fire-boats is also done at the expense of the Department of Docks.

Third—Department of Street Cleaning.

Under the statute the Department of Docks is directed to assign to the Street Cleaning Department certain localities for the establishment of dumps, necessary for the conveying away of the city's refuse. The number of these dumps is sixteen, and they are located at the following places: On the North river—at Canal street, Twelfth street, Nineteenth street, Thirty-seventh street, Forty-seventh street and One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street. On East river—Piers No. 12, No. 44, No. 54, No. 61, Seventeenth street, Twenty-second street, Thirty-eighth street, Forty-sixth street, Seventieth street and on the Harlem river at One Hundred and Tenth street. The piers on which these dumps are situated have to be maintained and kept in order by this Department and the water in the slips deepened as occasion may require, and in several instances docks for the Department of Street Cleaning have been built at the expense of the Department of Docks.

Fourth—Police Department.

The Police Department occupies the lower half of Pier "A," on which the offices of the Department of Docks are situated, and this Pier was constructed under a special act, for the use and occupancy of the Police Department and the Department of Docks, the latter paying the entire expense of the same and being obliged to keep the pier and its building in good condition and repair.

Fifth—Department of Public Works.

For this Department the Department of Docks has built a pier at the foot of Twenty fourth street, East River, at a cost of \$29,364.35, and of which the Department of Public Works has the exclusive use: the expense of maintaining and of dredging in the vicinity of this pier is also borne by the Department of Docks. In addition, it assigns localities for the public baths under the charge of the Department of Public Works, making the necessary alterations at the piers for their accommodation during the summer months and restoring the piers for commercial uses in the autumn. This Department has also given to the Department of Public Works a portion of its yard for storage purposes at the foot of Seventeenth street, East river.

Sixth—Health Department.

For this Department the Department of Docks has built a pier at the North Brother Island at a cost of \$13,852.30, which is maintained at the expense of the latter Department. It also gives wharfage to the Health Department boat at its yard in Seventeenth street, and under authority of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund the Health Department has possession of a portion of the yard itself. This Department has also furnished a pier for the exclusive use of the official contractor of the Board of Health at the foot of West Thirty-eighth street, North river.

I am, sir, yours respectfully,

L. J. N. STARK, President.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK,
MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,
WEDNESDAY, December 21, 1887—2 o'clock P. M.

The Board met in pursuance of an adjournment.

Present—All the members, viz.:

Abram S. Hewitt, the Mayor; Edward V. Loew, the Comptroller; Henry R. Beekman, the President of the Board of Aldermen; Michael Coleman, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments.

The minutes of the meeting held December 16, 1887, were read and approved.

On motion, the Board proceeded to the consideration of the Final Estimate for the year 1888.

The subject of an appropriation for a new floating engine for the use of the Fire Department was taken up for consideration.

Henry D. Purroy, President, and Richard Croker, Commissioners of Fire Department, appeared before the Board and made statements in explanation thereof.

After discussion, the subject was laid over.

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

Messrs. Simmons, Porter and Brennan, Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, A. E. Macdonald, General Superintendent of the Insane Asylums, and Miss Butler, Mrs. Hoyt and N. A. McKim, representing the State Charities Aid Association, appeared before the Board and made statements in explanation thereof.

The President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments moved that the item "Salaries—Department of Public Charities and Correction," be reduced from \$534,067 to \$500,000.

The Comptroller moved to amend by substituting the sum of \$534,067 for the purpose.

Which was lost by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller and President of the Board of Aldermen—3.

Negative—The President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—1.

The question was then taken upon the original motion.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

The Chairman moved that out of the sum of \$500,000 allowed for "Salaries," \$171,539 be applied as follows, viz.: "Lunatic Asylum," \$55,845; "New York City Asylum for the Insane," \$86,906, and "Branch Lunatic Asylum," \$28,788.

Which was unanimously agreed to.

The Comptroller moved that the sum of \$1,188,972 be allowed for "Supplies," being the amount allowed in the Provisional Estimate.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

The President of the Board of Aldermen moved that the sum of \$60,000 be allowed for "Alterations, Additions and Repairs to Buildings and Apparatus."

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

The President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments moved that the sum of \$20,000 be allowed for "Distribution of Coal for Out-door Poor."

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

The Chairman moved that the sum of \$20,000 be allowed for "Cash Donations to Poor Adult Blind."

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

The President of the Board of Aldermen moved that the sum of \$28,000 be allowed for "Two Water-closet Towers, Bellevue Hospital."

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

The question was then taken on allowing the sum of \$10,000 for "Building for Morgue."

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

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

The President of the Board of Aldermen moved that the sum of \$25,000 be allowed for "One New Pavilion for Maternity Service, Charity Hospital."

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

On motion, the item "Buildings to Relieve Overcrowding of Female Almshouse" was reduced from \$75,000 to \$37,500, and the item "One Pavilion to Relieve Overcrowding of Male Almshouse," \$25,000, was stricken out.

On motion, the item "Addition to Main Building, to be used as Kitchen, etc.," Workhouse, was reduced from \$40,000 to \$30,000, and the item "For the necessary Plant for the above," was reduced from \$11,600 to \$10,000.

The Comptroller moved that the item "New Building for Accommodation of Attendants and Workshop for Insane," New York City Asylum for Insane, be reduced from \$60,000 to \$35,000.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

The question was taken on allowing the sum of \$25,000 for a "Pavilion for Idiot Asylum, Randall's Island."

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

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

The question was taken on allowing the sum of \$4,000 for "New School Room for Idiot Children."

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—1.

Negative—The Mayor, Comptroller and President of the Board of Aldermen—3.

The President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments moved that the item "New Building, with the necessary Plant for Kitchen and Laundry Purposes, etc.," Randall's Island, be reduced from \$22,000 to \$15,000.

Which was lost by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Comptroller and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—2.

Negative—The Mayor and President of the Board of Aldermen—2.

The Comptroller moved that the sum of \$18,000 be allowed for the said purpose.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

On motion, the item "Camel, for Transportation of Building and Waste Material," \$3,000, was stricken out.

The Chairman moved that the item "Two-story Building to Accommodate Two Hundred and Fifty Female Insane," Branch Lunatic Asylum, be reduced from \$62,500 to \$35,000.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

On motion, the item "New Boiler and Apparatus for Heating Four Pavilions," \$8,000, was stricken out.

On motion, the item "Addition to Boiler-house" was stricken out.

The Comptroller moved that the sum of \$20,000 be allowed for "New Gas Works or Electric Light," Branch Lunatic Asylum.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

On motion, the item "To Procure Plans, etc., New Penitentiary, Riker's Island," \$5,000, was stricken out.

The Comptroller moved that the item "For Buildings and Improvements at Central Islip, etc.," be reduced from \$275,000 to \$137,500.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

On motion, the item "For Municipal Lodging-houses," \$25,000, was stricken out.

The Comptroller offered the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, An act (chapter 490) of the Legislature passed June 1, 1887, provided for the appointment by the Board of Police, in certain contingencies, of an additional Inspector of Elections in each election district in this city; and

Whereas, Such appointment was made of additional Inspectors in all the election districts, numbering 812, who served one day each at the compensation of \$7.50 per day, as provided by law; and

Whereas, No appropriation exists for the payment of such additional Inspectors;

Resolved, That the sum of six thousand and ninety dollars (\$6,090) be and is hereby transferred from the appropriation entitled "Election Expenses—For Compensation of Inspectors and Poll Clerks," for 1886, which is in excess of the amount required for the purposes thereof, to the appropriation under the same title for the year 1887, to pay the amount due said additional Inspectors.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

The Comptroller presented the following :

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

Hon. ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor and Chairman Board of Estimate and Apportionment :

SIR—By the provisions of section 141 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, authority is given for the further issue of additional "Croton Water Stock" to provide for the further supply of pure and wholesome water for the City of New York.
The amount heretofore called for having been nearly exhausted for work done, materials furnished, land purchased, etc., requisition is hereby made for the further issue of said stock to the amount of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000), for the use of this Department.
Very respectfully,
JOHN NEWTON, Commissioner of Public Works.

And offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized to issue, at such rate of interest, not exceeding three per cent. per annum, and for such period as he may determine, "Additional Croton Water Stock of the City of New York," to the amount of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000), as authorized by section 141 of the Consolidation Act of 1882, and as provided by section 11 of article 8 of the Constitution of the State of New York, as amended in 1884, and in full of a requisition of the Department of Public Works dated December 21, 1887.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

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

The Comptroller presented the following :

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
No. 31 CHAMBERS STREET,
NEW YORK, December 16, 1887.

Hon. ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor and Chairman Board of Estimate and Apportionment :

SIR—By letter of yesterday the Comptroller requests this Department to consent to a transfer of the sum of \$3,600 from appropriations of the Department to the appropriation for "Rents" made to the Finance Department, to cover the rental of the block of ground bounded by One Hundred and Nineteenth and One Hundred and Twentieth streets, St. Nicholas and Eighth avenues, occupied for the purposes of this Department.

The Department hereby consents to such transfer as follows :

From the appropriation for "Repaving Streets and Avenues," for 1887.....	\$2,000 00
From the appropriation for "Lamps and Gas and Electric Lighting," for 1887.....	1,600 00

The said amounts not being required for the purposes of said appropriations.

Yours respectfully,

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

And offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of three thousand six hundred dollars (\$3,600) be and is hereby transferred from appropriations made to the Department of Public Works, for the year 1887, entitled as follows :

"Repaving Streets and Avenues".....	\$2,000 00
"Lamps and Gas and Electric Lighting".....	1,600 00
	\$3,600 00

—which are in excess of the respective amounts required for the objects and purposes thereof, to the appropriation entitled "Rents," for 1887, to provide for the payment of the rental of premises bounded by One Hundred and Nineteenth and One Hundred and Twentieth streets, and St. Nicholas and Eighth avenues, for the use of the Department of Public Works.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

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

The Comptroller offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the amounts following be and hereby are appropriated from the "Excise Fund," under the provisions of section 210, chapter 410, Laws of 1882 (New York City Consolidation Act of 1882), for the support of children in the month of November, 1887, committed by magistrates to the institutions named, pursuant to law :

NAME.	NUMBER OF CHILDREN.	NUMBER OF DAYS.	RATE.	AMOUNT.
Mission of the Immaculate Virgin.....	1,089	32,426	\$2 per week.	\$9,264 57
Institution of Mercy.....	792	32,159	"	6,612 88
Missionary Sisters, Third Order of St. Francis.....	590	27,411	"	4,969 57
Dominican Convent of Our Lady of the Rosary.....	494	14,723	"	4,116 37
Asylum Sisters of St. Dominic.....	449	13,320	"	3,805 71
St. Joseph's Asylum.....	407	11,625	"	3,321 43
Hebrew Sheltering Guardian Society.....	358	16,462	"	4,703 43
Ladies' Deborah Nursery and Child's Protectory.....	303	9,036	"	2,581 71
St. Agatha Home for Children.....	178	5,298	"	1,513 71
St. James' Home.....	121	3,312	"	946 29
Association for the Benefit of Colored Orphans.....	124	3,687	"	1,050 43
American Female Guardian Society and Home for the Friendless.....	113	3,222	"	904 57
Asylum of St. Vincent de Paul.....	136	4,076	"	1,164 57
St. Michael's Home.....	58	1,656	"	450 86
St. Ann's Home.....	106	3,144	"	898 29
Association for Befriending Children and Young Girls.....	13	367	"	104 86
Total.....				\$46,409 25

Which was adopted by the following vote :

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

The Comptroller offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of four hundred and nineteen dollars and fifty-nine cents (\$419.59) be and hereby is appropriated from the "Excise Fund" to the "Home for Fallen and Friendless Girls," for the support of fifty inmates, in the month of November, 1887, aggregating 1,021 days, at the rate of \$150 per annum, pursuant to section 208, chapter 410, Laws of 1882 (New York City Consolidation Act of 1882).

Which was adopted by the following vote :

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

The Comptroller presented the following :

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
December 21, 1887.

To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment :

Demand and claim has been made by certain persons, Inspectors and Clerks of the former Excise Board, for services rendered the old Board of Excise from May 1, 1886, to until the 7th day of July, 1886. A communication from the Counsel to the Corporation is herewith presented, stating the facts in this matter, and advising that compensation for such services should be made "in justice and equity," and that the claims in question should be paid from the moneys received from licenses as a part of the expenses of the Board of Commissioners of Excise.

For this purpose, I submit a resolution to authorize such payment from the "Excise Fund."

Respectfully,

E. V. LOEW, Comptroller.

And offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of four thousand and fifty-seven dollars and fourteen cents (\$4,057.14) be and is hereby allowed and appropriated to be paid from the "Excise Fund," for the payment of the salaries of Inspectors and Clerks for services rendered to the old Excise Board of the City of New York, for two months and seven days from May 1, 1886, to July 7, 1886, and the Comptroller is hereby authorized to pay the same as a settlement in full of the claims of said Inspectors and Clerks according to a statement thereof presented to the Finance Department.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

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

The Comptroller presented the following :

AQUEDUCT COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE,
STEWART BUILDING, No. 280 BROADWAY,
NEW YORK, December 20, 1887.

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

DEAR SIR—At a meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, held on Wednesday, November 16, 1887, the Committee of Finance and Audit recommended the adoption of the following preamble and resolution, and the same was adopted :

Whereas, The appropriation of \$1,500 for furniture and fixtures, for the use of this Commission and its employees, approved by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment February 21, 1885, is now exhausted ; therefore be it

Resolved, That the sum of \$1,000 be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purchase of necessary furniture and fixtures for the office of the Aqueduct Commissioners and its employees, subject to the approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, as required by section 41, chapter 490, Laws of 1883.

You will therefore oblige by presenting the same to the Board for their approval at as early a date as possible.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN C. SHEEHAN, Secretary.

Which was received and referred to the Comptroller.

The Comptroller moved that when the Board adjourns it do so to meet to-morrow, December 22, 1887, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Which was agreed to.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

M. COLEMAN, Secretary.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK,
MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,
THURSDAY, December 22, 1887—2 o'clock P. M.

The Board met in pursuance of an adjournment.

Present—All the members, viz. :

Abram S. Hewitt, the Mayor ; Edward V. Loew, the Comptroller ; Henry R. Beekman, the President of the Board of Aldermen ; Michael Coleman, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments.

The minutes of the meeting held December 21, 1887, were read and approved.

Adolph L. Sanger, representing the Actors' Fund of America, appeared before the Board and appealed for an appropriation from the Theatrical License Fund.

The President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments moved that the vote authorizing the issue of Additional Croton Water Stock to the amount of \$250,000, had at a meeting of this Board held December 21, 1887, be reconsidered.

Which was agreed to.

The President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments moved that the matter lay on the table.

Which was agreed to.

On motion, the Board proceeded to the consideration of the Final Estimate for the year 1888.

The estimate for the District Attorney's Office was taken up for consideration.
Randolph B. Martine, District Attorney, appeared before the Board and made a statement in explanation thereof.

The question was taken on allowing the sum of \$20,000 for deficiency in "Contingencies—District Attorney's Office," 1887.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

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

The question was taken on allowing the sum of \$25,000 for "Contingencies—District Attorney's Office," 1888.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

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

On motion, the Counsel to the Corporation was requested to furnish to this Board, his opinion whether, in the event of the District Attorney having made an application for an appropriation of \$20,000 for additional assistance after this Board had made a Provisional Estimate, has this Board the power to make such an appropriation in the Final Estimate?

General John Newton, Commissioner of Public Works, appeared before the Board and made a statement in explanation of the application for the issue of Additional Croton Water Stock, to the amount of \$250,000, dated December 21, 1887.

Whereupon the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized to issue, at such rate of interest, not exceeding three per cent. per annum, and for such period as he may determine, "Additional Croton Water Stock of the City of New York," to the amount of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000), as authorized by section 141 of the Consolidation Act of 1882, and as provided by section 11 of article 8 of the Constitution of the State of New York, as amended in 1884, and in full of a requisition of the Department of Public Works, dated December 21, 1887.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

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

The estimate for the Register's Office was taken up for consideration.

The President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments moved that the item "Additional Help" be increased from \$1,500 to \$2,000.

Which was agreed to.

The President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments moved that the item of "Salaries of Deputy, Assistant Deputy, Searchers," etc., be increased from \$118,700 to \$123,500.

Which was agreed to.

The President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments moved that the item "Preservation of Public Records—Register's Office" be increased from \$25,000 to \$31,500.

Which was agreed to.

A. B. Tappen appeared before the Board and made an appeal for an increased appropriation for unpaved roads in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.

The estimate for the Mayoralty was taken up for consideration.

On motion, the items "Contingencies, and Salaries of Clerks and Subordinates" were consolidated under one head of appropriation.

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

The Chairman moved that the Comptroller be requested to furnish to this Board a statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Chamberlain's Office.

Which was agreed to.

On motion, the items under the head of "Salaries—Finance Department" were consolidated under one head, and the amount thereof increased from \$183,518 to \$185,500, and the item "Salaries, Temporary Clerks," was reduced from \$10,000 to \$8,000.

On motion, the item "Rents" was increased from \$130,672 to \$132,172, being an increase of \$1,500, to provide increased accommodations for the Civil Service Examining Boards.

On motion, the item "Armories and Drill Rooms, Rent of," was reduced from \$80,750 to \$79,487.50, by striking out the sum of \$3,500 for arrears for 1887 for rent of upper part of Ford's Block for Battery 2 and Seventy-first Regiment, and adding the sum of \$1,237.50 for accommodations for Battery 2.

On motion, the item "Armories and Drill Rooms—For Wages of Armourers, Janitors, etc.," was increased from \$36,598 to \$36,698, being an increase of \$100, to pay wages for one additional day, 1888 being leap year.

On motion, the item "Real Estate, Expenses of," was increased from \$5,000 to \$7,500, and the words "Including Advertising for Plans for Municipal Building" added.

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

HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH REGIMENT, NATIONAL GUARD, S. N. Y.
NEW YORK, December 22, 1887.

To the Honorable the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

As the amount annually appropriated for repairs of Seventh Regiment Armory will be needed for that purpose in 1888, I respectfully ask that \$3,000 be inserted in the estimate for the Department of Public Works, under the usual title.

Very respectfully,
EMMONS CLARK, Colonel.

Memorandum of Repairs Needed on Seventh Regiment Armory for 1888.

Relaying sidewalk on Lexington avenue and Sixty-sixth street.
Repairs to roof, as they may be needed.
Oiling floors of all drill-rooms.
Painting tin roof.
Snow guards on roof, to prevent accidents on sidewalk and street, for which City would be liable.
Repairs to rifle-range.
Repairs to permanent gas-fixtures in drill-rooms.
If snow guards are not supplied, \$2,000 would be sufficient.
Which was received and placed on file.

The question was taken on allowing the sum of \$10,000 each for the "New York Free Circulating Library" and the "General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen."
Which was unanimously agreed to.

The Comptroller presented the following:

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,
CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS,
NEW YORK, December 22, 1887.

(In Board of Education, December 21, 1887.)

Resolved, That application be and is hereby made to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for the transfer of the sum of sixteen hundred and thirty-three dollars (\$1,633) from the appropriation of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) made by said Board for "Technical, Manual and Industrial Education," in the Final Estimate for the Board of Education for 1887, to the appropriation for "Buildings Contingent Fund, section 52, subdivision 2 of the By-laws of the Board of Education."

Extract from the minutes.

ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk.

George W. Debevoise, Superintendent of School Buildings, appeared before the Board and made a statement in explanation thereof.

Whereupon the Comptroller offered the following resolution:
Resolved, That the sum of one thousand six hundred and thirty-three dollars (\$1,633) be and is hereby transferred from the appropriation to the Board of Education, for 1887, entitled "Public Instruction—For Technical, Manual and Industrial Education for Girls," which is in excess of the amount required for the purposes thereof, to the appropriation entitled "Public Instruction—For Buildings Contingent Fund," for 1887, which is insufficient for the purposes thereof.

Which was adopted by the following vote:
Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—4.

The question was taken on increasing the item of "Compensation of Judges from other Districts," from \$5,000 to \$7,000, by including \$2,000 for arrearsages.

Which was agreed to.

The question was taken on increasing the item "New York Infant Asylum" from \$90,297.50 to \$91,297.50, being an increase of \$1,000 for arrearsages.

Which was agreed to.

The Comptroller presented the following:

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and is hereby requested to include in the Final Estimate for the year 1888, the sum of twenty-eight hundred and ninety-two dollars (\$2,892), being the sum required to refund to drivers of public trucks the sums paid by them severally under the provisions of the ordinance which was approved April 22, 1885, requiring them to obtain licenses, and which was subsequently declared to be unconstitutional and void by the then Counsel to the Corporation.

Which was received and referred to the Counsel to the Corporation for his opinion as to whether the City is legally liable for the amount.

The question was taken on allowing the sum of \$1,200 for "Salary of Secretary to the Board of Street Openings and Improvement."

Which was agreed to.

The question was taken on allowing the sum of \$1,500 for claim of E. E. Van Auken for services in codifying the City Ordinances, as audited by the Comptroller.

Which was agreed to.

The Chairman moved the reconsideration of the vote authorizing the transfer of the sum of \$4,500 from the appropriation "Fire Department—For Salaries—Headquarters Pay-roll," and \$2,000 from the appropriation "For Furnishing the New Headquarters Building," to "Apparatus, Supplies, etc.," 1887, in order that the salary of Chief of Department, John McCabe, be paid from the appropriation made for "Salaries."

Which was agreed to.

The Chairman offered the following resolution in lieu thereof:

Resolved, That the sum of \$3,386.29 be and the same is hereby transferred from the appropriations to the Fire Department for the year 1887, entitled as follows, to wit:

Fire Department Fund—For Salaries—Headquarters Pay roll.....	\$1,386 29
Fire Department Fund—For Furnishing the New Headquarters Building.....	2,000 00
	\$3,386 29

—which is in excess of the amounts required for the objects and purposes thereof, respectively, to the appropriation entitled "Fire Department Fund—For Apparatus, Supplies, etc.," 1887, which is insufficient for the objects and purposes thereof.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

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

The Comptroller presented the following:

AQUEDUCT COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE,
STEWART BUILDING, No. 280 BROADWAY,
NEW YORK, December 22, 1887.

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

DEAR SIR—At a stated meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, held on Wednesday, December 21, at 3 o'clock P. M., the following report of the Committee of Finance and Audit was adopted: "The Committee of Finance and Audit, to whom was referred the application of Arthur B. Sinclair, Office Boy, asking for promotion and increase of salary, recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

"Resolved, That Arthur B. Sinclair, Office Boy, be promoted to the position of Clerk, at a salary of \$60.00 per month."

Mr. Sinclair has been in the employ of this Commission for the past eighteen months, and has proved himself capable and efficient, and his conduct has been found in every manner satisfactory.

You will oblige by presenting the same to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, for their approval.

Respectfully yours,
JAMES C. SPENCER, President.

Which was received and referred to the Comptroller.

The Comptroller moved that when this Board adjourns, it do so to meet on Tuesday, December 27, 1887, at 3 o'clock P. M.

Which was agreed to.

The Chairman presented the following:

G. A. R. VETERANS' RIGHTS UNION,
NEW YORK, December 20, 1887.

To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of the City of New York:

GENTLEMEN—I am directed by the Executive Committee of the G. A. R. Veterans' Rights Union to ask your attention and consideration of such action as you may deem advisable to make

effective chapter 706, Laws of 1887 of this State, a copy of which, embodied in General Order No. 9 of the Commander of the Department of N. Y., G. A. R., is here enclosed.

It is hardly necessary to say to you, gentlemen, that as the years elapse, the wants and necessities of the men of the late war become greater, and their ability to provide for themselves and their families less, while the widow and the orphan need, now more than ever, the liberal hand.

To the end that proper provision might be made for those who were found worthy, this law, crude and yet speaking volumes in its spirit, was enacted, and we ask at your hands such action as will enable such persons as come within its provisions residing in the City of New York to be properly cared for.

The Memorial and Executive Committee of the G. A. R. in the City of New York and the Bureau of Employment and Relief subordinate thereto, are, as I am advised, an incorporated body, and in the event of your concluding to make an appropriation in accordance with section 1 of the act referred to, would no doubt comply with any requirements made necessary by the law itself or that you might deem proper to ensure a faithful performance of such a trust.

Submitting the matter involved to your consideration,

I am, very respectfully, your obedient servant,
THOMAS B. ODELL, Chairman General Committee,
G. A. R. Veterans' Rights Union, No. 67 Wall street, N. Y. City.

Official:
JOSEPH W. KAY, Acting Chairman, Executive Committee,
No. 98 Maiden Lane, N. Y. City.

HEADQUARTERS BUREAU OF EMPLOYMENT AND RELIEF,
MEMORIAL COMMITTEE, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
ROOM 4, CITY HALL, NEW YORK, December 13, 1887.

To Honorable the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—Your petitioners would respectfully present herewith a statement of charities during past year dispensed from sum appropriated to the uses of the Bureau of Employment and Relief of the Grand Army of the Republic by your Honorable Board.

Finding that the sum of twelve hundred dollars so generously appropriated is inadequate to the demands made upon us, we are compelled to ask that the sum of two thousand dollars be appropriated for the year 1888.

Sincerely trusting that we shall be honored with your additional consideration.

We are, gentlemen, very respectfully yours,

EDWARD BROWNE,
EDWARD J. ATKINSON,
WILLIAM MCENTEE,
THEODORE FELDSTEIN,

Of Bureau of Employment and Relief, Grand Army of the Republic.

Amount of Business Transacted during the Year.

Number of meals issued to destitute veterans.....	2,346
Number of lodgings issued to destitute veterans.....	2,008
Transportation furnished to soldiers to reach their homes.....	245
Relief furnished to soldiers on their way to Soldiers' Homes.....	212
Relief to deserving families of veterans.....	118
Number of war claims registered during the year.....	871
Number of war claims arranged during the year.....	503
Record of service procured for and decent internment arranged for.....	123
Headstones procured for and erected in various cemeteries.....	72

Which were received and referred to the Comptroller.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

M. COLEMAN, Secretary.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, November 28, 1887.

Whereas, It is provided in and by section twelve of chapter seven hundred and eighteen of the laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, entitled "An Act to provide for the recording and indexing of conveyances and instruments relating to land in the City of New York, according to limited areas," that if it shall be determined by the Mayor of said city and the Register of the City and County of New York that said act cannot go into operation at the time therein designated therefore, by reason of the non-completion of the map or indices referred to in said act, or for any other reason, thereupon said Mayor, by notice published in the CITY RECORD, in the City of New York, for thirty days prior to the expiration of said time, may extend the time for said act to go into operation, and for the books, maps and indices in said act referred to to be completed, not exceeding six months from the time in said act designated therefore, and that said act, upon such publication, shall thereupon go into operation in said Register's office at the time so to be designated by said Mayor; and

Whereas, The said Mayor and Register have determined that said act cannot go into operation at the time therein designated therefore, by reason of the non-completion of said map and indices, and for other reasons;

Now, therefore, I, Abram S. Hewitt, Mayor of the City of New York, do hereby give notice that I have extended and do hereby extend the time for said act to go into operation, and for said books, maps and indices to be completed, to the thirtieth day of June, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, which is hereby designated by me as the date upon which said act shall go into operation in said Register's office.

ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

BALANCES IN BANK AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS, DECEMBER 22, 1887.

CHAMBERLAIN'S OFFICE.

Banks.		
National Broadway Bank.....	\$484,049 87	
National Shoe and Leather Bank.....	148,000 00	
Ninth National Bank.....	171,000 00	
Oriental Bank.....	95,000 00	
Phoenix National Bank.....	180,000 00	
Seaboard National Bank.....	105,000 00	
St. Nicholas Bank.....	115,000 00	
Third National Bank.....	140,000 00	
Tradesmen's National Bank.....	50,000 00	
Western National Bank.....	200,000 00	
Irving National Bank.....	50,000 00	
Fifth National Bank.....	25,000 00	
Market National Bank.....	145,000 00	
Trust Companies.		
Central Trust Company.....	493,975 00	
Knickerbocker Trust Company.....	50,000 00	
Mercantile Trust Company.....	366,055 00	
Metropolitan Trust Company.....	90,000 00	
Union Trust Company.....	375,000 00	
Atlantic Trust Company.....	50,000 00	
		\$9,048,557 34

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 Sec-
retary of more than one vacancy at any one time,
the Secretary shall certify to the appointing of-
ficer 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 meet-
ing, 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 desig-
nate 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, 9 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 SHARPMAN, J. B. ADAMSON.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSIONERS.

Room 209, 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 ARMORY 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, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
HENRY R. BECKMAN, President Board of Aldermen
FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk Common Council.

City Library.

No. 12 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.
BERNARD JACOBS, 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. BARBOCK, Superintendent.

Bureau of Incumbances.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN RICHARDSON, Superintendent.

Keeper of Buildings in City Hall Park.
MARTIN J. KRIESE, City Hall.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

Comptroller's Office.

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

Auditing Bureau.

Nos. 19, 21, 23 Stewart Building, Chambers street and
Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
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. 31, 33, 35, 37, 39 Stewart Building, Chambers
street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
ARTEMAS S. CADY, Collector of Assessments and
Clerk of Arrears.

Bureau for the Collection of City Revenue and of
Markets.

Nos. 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 MCADAM, Chief Clerk.

Bureau for the Collection of Taxes.

No. 57 Chambers street and No. 35 Reade street,
Stewart Building.
GEORGE W. MCLEAN, Receiver of Taxes; ALFRED
VREDENBURGH, 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.

Saats Zeitung Building, third floor, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
MORGAN J. O'BRIEN, Counsel to the Corporation
ANDREW T. CAMPBELL, Chief Clerk.

Office of the Public Administrator.

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

Office of the Corporation Attorney.

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

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Central Office.

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

DEPARTMENT OF CHARITIES AND CORREC-
TION.

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 Ma-
terials for Building, Repairs and Supplies, Bills and
Accounts. 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Closed Saturdays, 12 M.
RUFUS L. WILDER, General Bookkeeper and Auditor.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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

Headquarters.

Nos. 157 and 159 East Sixty-seventh street.
HENRY D. PURROY, President; CARL JUSSEN, Sec-
retary.

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
Central Office open at all hours.

Repair Shops.

Nos. 128 and 130 West Third street.
JOHN CASTLES, Foreman-in-Charge, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.

Hospital Stables.

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

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

No. 201 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 ave-
nue, 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 Sat-
urdays 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

Saats Zeitung Building, Tryon Row, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

CHARLES S. BEARDSLEY, Attorney; WILLIAM COM-
BERFORD, Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING.

Nos. 31 and 33 Park Row, "World" Building, Rooms
1, 2 and 3, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JAMES S. COLEMAN, Commissioner; JACOB SEABOLD,
Deputy Commissioner; R. W. HORNER, Chief Clerk.

CIVIL SERVICE SUPERVISORY AND EXAMIN-
ING BOARDS.

Room No. 11, City Hall.
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. ADER, Clerk.

REGISTER'S OFFICE.

East side City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JAMES J. SLEVIN, Register; JAMES J. MARTIN, Deputy
Register.

COMMISSIONER OF JURORS.

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

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE.

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

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.

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

THE CITY RECORD OFFICE.

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.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS.

Office City Hall, Room 11½, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
EDWARD GILON, Chairman; WM. H. JASPER, Secretary.

BOARD OF EXCISE

No. 41 Bond street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
CHARLES H. WOODMAN, President; DAVID S. WHITE,
Secretary and Chief Clerk.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

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

CORONERS' OFFICE.

Nos. 13 and 15 Chatham street, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M. Sun-
days and holidays, 8 A. M. to 12-30 P. M.
MICHAEL J. B. MESSEMER, FERDINAND LEVY, FERDIN-
AND 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. VAN BRUNT, 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, R. B. BARRY, Clerk.
Circuit, Part II., Room No. 14, RICHARD J. SULLIVAN,
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. 24, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Part I., Room No. 34, 10.30 A. M.
Part II., Room No. 36.
Part III., Room No. 37, 11 o'clock A. M. to adjournment.
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. 24, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
General Term, Room No. 22, 11 o'clock A. M. to ad-
journment.
Special Term, Room No. 21, 11 o'clock A. M. to ad-
journment.
Chambers, Room No. 21, 10.30 o'clock A. M. to ad-
journment.
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.
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. 20, City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
DAVID MCADAM, Chief Justice; JOHN REID, Clerk.

OVER AND TERMINER COURT

New County Court-house, second floor, southeast cor-
ner, Room No. 12. Court opens at 10½ o'clock A. M.
Clerk's Office, Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park,
second floor, northwest corner, Room No. 11, 10 A. M. till
4 P. M.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS.

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

DISTRICT CIVIL COURTS.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Eighth District—Sixteenth and Twentieth Wards,
southwest corner of Twenty-second street and Seventh
avenue. Court opens at 9 A. M. and continues to close of
business. Clerk's office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. each
court day.
On and after Monday, October 3, 1887, the trial days
of this Court will be Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.
FREDERICK G. GEDNEY, Justice.

Ninth District—Twelfth Ward, No. 225 East One Hu-
ndred and Twenty-fifth street.
HENRY P. MCGOWAN, Justice.
Clerk's office open daily from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Trial
days Tuesdays and Fridays. Court opens at 10½ 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
A. M.
ANDREW J. ROGERS, Justice.

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

POLICE COURTS.

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

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

First District—Tombs, Centre street.

Second District—Jefferson Market.

Third District—No. 65 Essex street.

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

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

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
Nos. 49 and 51 CHAMBERS STREET,
NEW YORK, December 15, 1887.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE COM-
missioners of the Department of Public Parks, in
the City of New York, will, at their office, Nos. 49 and 51
Chambers street, in the Emigrant Savings Bank Build-
ing, in said city, on Wednesday, January 11, 1888, at 11
o'clock A. M., hear and consider all statements, objections
and evidence that may then and there be offered in refer-
ence to the contemplated discontinuance and closing of
that part of Quarry road lying between Vanderbilt avenue,
West and Bathgate avenue in the Twenty-fourth Ward
of said City, in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 721
of the Laws of 1887.

The map showing the contemplated change is now
on exhibition in said office.

M. C. D. BORDEN,
WALDO HUTCHINS,
THEODORE W. MYERS,
J. HAMPPEN ROBB,
Commissioners of Public Parks.

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
Nos. 49 and 51 CHAMBERS STREET,
December 19, 1887.

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 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 gives 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, with the Commissioner.

JOHN NEWTON,
Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,
NEW YORK, December 24, 1887.

PROPOSALS FOR 2,000 TONS OF FRESH MINED WHITE ASH STOVE COAL FOR THE OUT-DOOR POOL.

PROPOSALS, SEALED AND INDORSED AS ABOVE, will be received by the Board of Public Charities and Correction, at their office, until 9.30 o'clock A. M., of Friday, January 6, 1888. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bids or Estimate for 2,000 tons of Fresh Mined White Ash Stove Coal, of the best quality; each ton to consist of two thousand pounds of the coal, to be delivered in such quantities and in such parts of the city as may be required in specifications, and ordered from time to time, south of Eighth-fourth street, to be subject to such inspection as the Commissioners may direct, and to meet their approval as to the quality, quantity, time and manner of delivery in every respect.

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

No proposal will be considered unless accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders of the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded under that proposal, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as sureties in four thousand (\$4,000) dollars each, for its faithful performance; which consent must be verified by the justification of each of the persons signing the same for double the amount of security required. The adequacy and sufficiency of such security to be approved by the Comptroller.

No bid or estimate will be accepted, or considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the National or State 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 enclosed 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 such deposits except that of the successful bidder will be returned to the persons making the same, within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited and retained by the City of New York, as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

Should the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded neglect or refuse to accept the contract within five days after written notice that the same has been awarded to him, or to execute the contract and give the proper security, he or they shall be considered as having abandoned it and as in default to the Corporation, and the contract will be re-advertised and let as provided by law.

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

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

BIDDERS ARE INFORMED THAT NO DEVIATION FROM THE SPECIFICATIONS WILL BE ALLOWED, UNLESS UNDER THE WRITTEN INSTRUCTIONS OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

The form of the agreement, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, can be obtained at the office of the Department, where the plans will be on exhibition for the information of bidders.

Dated New York, December 24, 1887.

CHARLES E. SIMMONS, President.
HENRY H. PORTER, Commissioner.
THOMAS S. BRENNAN, Commissioner.
Public Charities and Correction.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,
NEW YORK, December 24, 1887.

THE UNDERSIGNED WILL SELL AT PUBLIC auction, for account of the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, at their office, No. 66 Third Avenue, on Friday, January 6, 1888, at 11 o'clock A. M., the following, viz.:

200 barrels Coal Tar, more or less, the product of the Gas works of the Department during the year 1888.

To be delivered at the foot of East Twenty-sixth street, and to be paid for as follows:

Twenty-five per cent. of estimated value to be paid on day of sale and the remainder on delivery.

R. E. CLEARY,
Storekeeper.

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

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR THREE PAVILIONS, A DINING ROOM AND KITCHEN, AN ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, A STORE-HOUSE AND A STABLE AND WAGON-HOUSE, AT CENTRAL ISLAND, LONG ISLAND, N. Y.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR THE aforesaid job, in accordance with the specifications and plans, will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities and Correction, No. 66 Third Avenue, in the City of New York, until 9.30 o'clock A. M. of Wednesday, January 4, 1888. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bids or Estimate for Three Pavilions, etc., at Central Island, Long Island, N. Y., and with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President of said Department and read.

THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS OR ESTIMATES IF DEEMED TO BE FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 64, CHAPTER 410, LAWS OF 1882.

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

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

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 penal amount of FIFTEEN THOUSAND (\$15,000) dollars.

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

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

No bid or estimate will be 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 security required for the faithful performance of the contract. 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 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 such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited 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.

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

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

BIDDERS ARE INFORMED THAT NO DEVIATION FROM THE SPECIFICATIONS WILL BE ALLOWED, UNLESS UNDER THE WRITTEN INSTRUCTIONS OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

The form of the agreement, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, can be obtained at the office of the Department, where the plans will be on exhibition for the information of bidders.

Dated New York, December 21, 1887.

CHARLES E. SIMMONS, M. D., President.
HENRY H. PORTER, Commissioner.
THOMAS S. BRENNAN, Commissioner.
Public Charities and Correction.

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

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR A WATER TOWER AND TANK, RESIDENCE, ENGINE AND BOILER-HOUSE AT CENTRAL ISLAND, LONG ISLAND, N. Y.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR THE aforesaid job, in accordance with the specifications and plans, will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities and Correction, No. 66 Third Avenue, in the City of New York, until 9.30 o'clock A. M. of Wednesday, January 4, 1888. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bids or Estimate for One Duplex Steam-Pump at Central Island, Long Island, N. Y., and with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President of said Department and read.

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

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must

making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bids or Estimate for a Water-Tower, etc., at Central Island, Long Island, N. Y., and with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President of said Department and read.

THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS OR ESTIMATES IF DEEMED TO BE FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 64, CHAPTER 410, LAWS OF 1882.

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

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

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 penal amount of THREE THOUSAND (\$3,000) dollars.

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

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

No bid or estimate will be 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 security required for the faithful performance of the contract. 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 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 such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited and retained by the City of New York, as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

Should the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded neglect or refuse to accept the contract within five days after written notice that the same has been awarded to him, or to execute the contract and give the proper security, he or they shall be considered as having abandoned it and as in default to the Corporation, and the contract will be re-advertised and let as provided by law.

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

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

BIDDERS ARE INFORMED THAT NO DEVIATION FROM THE SPECIFICATIONS WILL BE ALLOWED, UNLESS UNDER THE WRITTEN INSTRUCTIONS OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

The form of the agreement, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, can be obtained at the office of the Department, where the plans will be on exhibition for the information of bidders.

Dated New York, December 21, 1887.

CHARLES E. SIMMONS, M. D., President.
HENRY H. PORTER, Commissioner.
THOMAS S. BRENNAN, Commissioner.
Public Charities and Correction.

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

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR ONE DUPLEX STEAM-PUMP AT CENTRAL ISLAND, LONG ISLAND, N. Y.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR THE aforesaid job, in accordance with the specifications and plans, will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities and Correction, No. 66 Third Avenue, in the City of New York, until 9.30 o'clock A. M. of Wednesday, January 4, 1888. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bids or Estimate for One Duplex Steam-Pump at Central Island, Long Island, N. Y., and with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President of said Department and read.

THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS OR ESTIMATES IF DEEMED TO BE FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 64, CHAPTER 410, LAWS OF 1882.

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

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

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 penal amount of FOUR HUNDRED (\$400) dollars.

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

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

No bid or estimate will be 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 security required for the faithful performance of the contract. 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 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 such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited and retained by the City of New York, as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

Should the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded neglect or refuse to accept the contract within five days after written notice that the same has been awarded to him, or to execute the contract and give the proper security, he or they shall be considered as having abandoned it and as in default to the Corporation, and the contract will be re-advertised and let as provided by law.

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

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

BIDDERS ARE INFORMED THAT NO DEVIATION FROM THE SPECIFICATIONS WILL BE ALLOWED, UNLESS UNDER THE WRITTEN INSTRUCTIONS OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

The form of the agreement, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, can be obtained at the office of the Department, where the plans will be on exhibition for the information of bidders.

Dated New York, December 21, 1887.

CHARLES E. SIMMONS, M. D., President.
HENRY H. PORTER, Commissioner.
THOMAS S. BRENNAN, Commissioner.
Public Charities and Correction.

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

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR STEAM-HEATING, ETC., FOR ONE PAVILION ON RANDALL'S ISLAND.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR THE aforesaid job, in accordance with the specifications and plans, will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities and Correction, No. 66 Third Avenue, in the City of New York, until 9.30 o'clock A. M. of Wednesday, January 4, 1888. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bids or Estimate for Steam-Heating, etc., for One Pavilion on Randall's Island," and with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President of said Department and read.

THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS OR ESTIMATES IF DEEMED TO BE FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 64, CHAPTER 410, LAWS OF 1882.

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

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

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 penal amount of FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000) dollars.

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

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

No bid or estimate will be 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 security required for the faithful performance of the contract. 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 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 such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited and retained by the City of New York, as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

Should the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded neglect or refuse to accept the contract within five days after written notice that the same has been awarded to him, or to execute the contract and give the proper security, he or they shall be considered as having abandoned it and as in default to the Corporation, and the contract will be re-advertised and let as provided by law.

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

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

BIDDERS ARE INFORMED THAT NO DEVIATION FROM THE SPECIFICATIONS WILL BE ALLOWED, UNLESS UNDER THE WRITTEN INSTRUCTIONS OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

The form of the agreement, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, can be obtained at the office of the Department, where the plans will be on exhibition for the information of bidders.

has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by section 12 of chapter 7 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of New York, if the contract shall be awarded to the person or persons for whom he consents to become surety. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.

No bid or estimate shall be 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 enclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the Estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same, within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect to execute the contract, the money or check 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.

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

The quality of the articles, supplies, goods, wares, and merchandise must conform in every respect to the samples of the same on exhibition at the office of the said Department. Bidders are cautioned to examine the specifications for particulars of the articles, etc., required, before making their estimates.

Bidders will state the price for each article, by which the bids will be tested.

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

Payment will be made by a requisition on the Comptroller, in accordance with the terms of the contract, or from time to time, as the Commissioners may determine.

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the specifications will be allowed, unless under the written instructions of the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction.

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

Dated New York, December 21, 1887.

CHARLES E. SIMMONS, President,
HENRY H. PORTER, Commissioner,
THOMAS S. BRENNAN, Commissioner,
Public Charities and Correction.

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

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSAL FOR HOSPITAL SUPPLIES.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING the following Hospital Supplies, viz:

1.—Articles to be delivered in installments as may be required during the year 1888:
75 barrels, more or less, of two stamp Copper Distilled Bourbon Whiskey, delivered in the contract and give during the year 1888. To be not less than two years old from date of warehouse entry stamp, with privilege of receiving deliveries direct from bonded warehouse on the order of the Comptroller.

2.—Articles to be delivered in full as soon after the award of the Contract as possible:
3,000 pounds pure white Medicinal Carbolic Acid, corresponding to the standard of the U. S. Pharmacopoeia. To be delivered in 50-pound boxes, properly labeled (with red lettered label and poison label), in boxes containing 50 pounds.

2,500 pounds pure, colorless medicinal Glycerin, corresponding to the standard of the U. S. Pharmacopoeia. To be delivered in 50-pound boxed cans.

1,000 pounds pure granulated Bromide of Potassium. To be delivered in 50-pound boxes in 1-pound boxes and 500 pounds in 5-pound boxes.

1,000 pounds pure, prime Medicinal Castor Oil "Crysal." To be delivered in 50-pound boxed cans.

300 pounds pure Sulphate of Bismuth. To be delivered in 25-pound boxes.

200 ounces pure white bulky Sulphate of Morphine. 100 ounces in 1/4-ounce vials, 100 ounces in 1-ounce vials; all in the original vials and packages of the manufacturer.

30 barrels pure, prime Norwegian Cod Liver Oil, in original original packages.

60 boxes genuine imported White Castile Soap. 1,125 gross long taper Cords, quality XX, to be free from admixture with lower grades. (To be delivered in 5 gross bags, properly marked No. 2, 125 gross; No. 3, 300 gross; No. 4, 150 gross; No. 5, 200 gross; No. 6, 150 gross; No. 7, 150 gross; No. 8, 50 gross.)

—will be received at the Department of Public Charities and Correction, in the City of New York, until 9 o'clock A. M. of Wednesday, January 4, 1888. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate," with his name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President of said Department and read.

The Board of Public Charities and Correction reserves the right to reject all bids or estimates if deemed to be for the public interest, as provided in section 64, CHAPTER 410, LAWS OF 1882.

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

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

Delivery will be required to be made from time to time, and in such quantities as may be directed by the said Commissioners.

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect; and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of

the contract by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, in the penal amount of fifty (50) per cent. of the ESTIMATED amount of the contract.

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

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

No bid or estimate will be 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 enclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the Estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited and retained by the City of New York, as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

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

The quality of the articles, supplies, goods, wares, and merchandise must conform in every respect to the samples of the same on exhibition at the office of the said Department. Bidders are cautioned to examine the specifications for particulars of the articles, etc., required, before making their estimates.

Bidders will state the price for each article, by which the bids will be tested.

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

Payment will be made by a requisition on the Comptroller, in accordance with the terms of the contract, or from time to time, as the Commissioners may determine.

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the specifications will be allowed, unless under the written instructions of the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction.

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

Dated New York, December 21, 1887.

CHARLES E. SIMMONS, President,
HENRY H. PORTER, Commissioner,
THOMAS S. BRENNAN, Commissioner,
Public Charities and Correction.

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

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR FLOUR.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING and delivering, free of all expense, at the Bakers-house, Blackwell's Island (east side), 4,000 barrels extra Wheat Flour, in lots of 500 to 1,000 barrels, one-half of each quality, as follows:

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

—will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities and Correction, No. 66 Third Avenue, in the City of New York, until 9 o'clock A. M. of Wednesday, January 4, 1888. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Flour," with his name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President of said Department and read.

The Board of Public Charities and Correction reserves the right to reject all bids or estimates if deemed to be for the public interest, as provided in section 64, CHAPTER 410, LAWS OF 1882.

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

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

Delivery will be required to be made from time to time, and in such quantities as may be directed by the said Commissioners.

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect; and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of

the contract by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, in the penal amount of fifty (50) per cent. of the ESTIMATED amount of the contract.

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

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

No bid or estimate will be 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 enclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the Estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited and retained by the City of New York, as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

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

The quality of the articles, supplies, goods, wares, and merchandise must conform in every respect to the samples of the same on exhibition at the office of the said Department. Bidders are cautioned to examine the specifications for particulars of the articles, etc., required, before making their estimates.

Bidders will state the price for each article, by which the bids will be tested.

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

Payment will be made by a requisition on the Comptroller, in accordance with the terms of the contract, or from time to time, as the Commissioners may determine.

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the specifications will be allowed, unless under the written instructions of the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction.

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

Dated New York, December 21, 1887.

CHARLES E. SIMMONS, President,
HENRY H. PORTER, Commissioner,
THOMAS S. BRENNAN, Commissioner,
Public Charities and Correction.

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

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR ALL THE MEATS REQUIRED FOR THE YEAR 1888.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING and delivering, free of all expense, at the Bakers-house, Blackwell's Island (east side), 4,000 barrels extra Wheat Flour, in lots of 500 to 1,000 barrels, one-half of each quality, as follows:

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

—will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities and Correction, No. 66 Third Avenue, in the City of New York, until 9 o'clock A. M. of Wednesday, January 4, 1888. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Meats," with his name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President of said Department and read.

The Board of Public Charities and Correction reserves the right to reject all bids or estimates if deemed to be for the public interest, as provided in section 64, CHAPTER 410, LAWS OF 1882.

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

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

Delivery will be required to be made from time to time, and in such quantities as may be directed by the said Commissioners.

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect; and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of

the contract by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, in the penal amount of fifty (50) per cent. of the ESTIMATED amount of the contract.

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

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

No bid or estimate will be 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 enclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the Estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited and retained by the City of New York, as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

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

The quality of the articles, supplies, goods, wares, and merchandise must conform in every respect to the samples of the same on exhibition at the office of the said Department. Bidders are cautioned to examine the specifications for particulars of the articles, etc., required, before making their estimates.

Bidders will state the price for each article, by which the bids will be tested.

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

Payment will be made by a requisition on the Comptroller, in accordance with the terms of the contract, or from time to time, as the Commissioners may determine.

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the specifications will be allowed, unless under the written instructions of the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction.

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

Dated New York, December 15, 1887.

CHARLES E. SIMMONS, M. D., President,
HENRY H. PORTER, Commissioner,
THOMAS S. BRENNAN, Commissioner,
Public Charities and Correction.

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

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR THIRTY-SEVEN THOUSAND (37,000) TONS OF WHITE ASH COAL.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING the Department of Public Charities and Correction during the year 1888, as may be required and in accordance with the specifications.

THIRTY-SEVEN THOUSAND (37,000) TONS (2,240 POUNDS EACH) OF WHITE ASH COAL.

will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities and Correction, No. 66 Third Avenue, in the City of New York, until 9 o'clock A. M. of Wednesday, the 28th day of December, 1887. The person or persons making any bid or estimate, shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for 37,000 Tons White Ash Coal," and with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President of said Department and read.

The Board of Public Charities and Correction reserves the right to reject all bids or estimates if deemed to be for the public interest, as provided in section 64, CHAPTER 410, LAWS OF 1882.

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

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

Delivery will be required to be made from time to time, and in such quantities as may be directed by the said Commissioners.

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect; and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of

the contract by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, each in the penal sum of FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000).

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

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

