

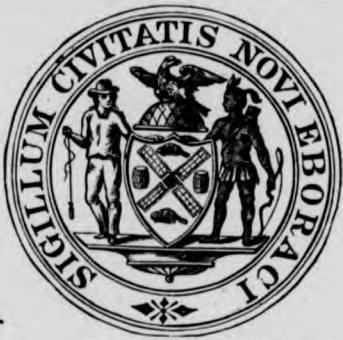
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HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT,
New York, August 29, 1873,
No. 301 Mott st.

The Board of Health met this day.

Orders.

One hundred and fifty orders for the abatement of nuisances were made.

Suits for Penalties.

The Attorney was directed to commence suits for non-compliance with the Board in seventeen cases.

Reports Received.

From the Sanitary Superintendent:

On seizure of unripe, unwholesome and decayed fruit.

On night scavengers.

On violations of the rules for the government of night scavengers.

On 38th street, N. R. District.

On manure dump, 48th street, E. R.

On application for permits.

On street pavements and sewers.

On application for relief.

On complaint in respect to dumping of manure, offal, &c., 45th street, E. R.

On application for leave of absence.

Communications from City Departments.

From the Department of Docks:

On dredging of Slip N. S. Pier 33, E. R.

On dump foot of Vesey street.

From the Police Department:

On arrests for violation of the Sanitary Code.

Reports Referred to Other Departments for the Necessary Action.

To the Department of Public Works:

On condition of street pavement in W. 25th street in front of No. 139.

On condition of sewers in Barclay street and Park Place.

Bills Audited.

Mathesius & Frey.....\$45 00
L. H. Landy..... 12 00
S. A. Goldschmidt..... 14 50

Permits Granted.

To collect, store and assort rags and junk at No. 105 E. 77th street.

To remove garbage from No. 44, 48 Chatham street.

To keep two cows at W. S. 11th avenue, between 72d and 73d.

Permit Denied.

To manufacture lime from shells, at No. 391 West 12th street.

Resolutions.

That the Sanitary Superintendent be requested to prepare a suitable card on unripe and damaged fruit to be circulated among the fruit producers and dealers.

That the evidence of violations of the rules for the government of night scavengers, and of the Sanitary Code be forwarded to his Honor the Mayor, with the recommendation and request that the licenses of the night scavengers guilty of such violations be revoked.

That a copy of the affidavit of Joseph Kollman and J. Meyer in respect to the dumping of manure, offal, &c., 45th street, E. R., with the report of the Sanitary Superintendent thereon, be forwarded to his Honor the Mayor.

By order of the Board.

EMMONS CLARK,
Secretary.

SANITARY BUREAU,
August 29, 1873.

I have the honor to make the following report upon the seizing and condemning of unripe, decayed and unwholesome fruit by the Inspectors of this Bureau on the 26th, 27th and 28th insts. Inspectors Whollahan and Frank, accompanied by officer Sherwood of the Sanitary Police, visited and seized objectionable fruit and vegetables at 58 stores, 15 stands and 9 licensed vendors on the 26th inst. On the 27th they visited 95 stores, 5 stands and 2 licensed vendors, and on the 28th 70 stores, 35 stands and 8 licensed vendors, making a total of 223 stores, 55 stands and 19 licensed vendors, since the last meeting of the Board. On the 26th inst., Inspectors Ashman and Conroy, accompanied by Officer Rhodes of the Sanitary Police, seized and condemned the stores of various commission dealers in Washington, West, Dey, Duane and Greenwich streets, the following quantities of immature unwholesome or decayed fruit, which in many in-

stances were removed at the expense of the owners:

Apples—Barrels, 52; crates, 10; boxes, 10.
Melons—Barrels, 42; baskets, 15; loads, 2.
Peaches—Crates, 81; baskets, 240; loads, 1; boxes, 16.

Potatoes—Barrels, 1.

Squashes—Barrels, 3; baskets, 3.

On the 27th they condemned and caused to be sent back to the producers, 101 barrels of melons, and 250 watermelons. 31 boxes of grapes were condemned and removed at the expense of the owner. On the 28th by the same inspectors, accompanied by Officer Rhodes, 80 barrels of melons, 2 barrels of apples, 12 barrels of peas, 45 crates of peaches, and 2,000 ears of corn.

During the last two days the work has been principally performed on board of the sloops and schooners used in transporting fruit, and the fruit was not landed at all. The very large quantity of fruit in bad condition is accounted for by the recent unfavorable weather, and by a railway accident in the South, which caused delay and rotting. The services of the inspectors who are experts in fruit have been very laborious, involving night work and fatigue, and are appreciated by this Department. I would respectfully recommend that the Board cause cards to be printed for circulation by the Commission Merchants among the farmers. This would prevent the bad fruit from being thrown upon the market, and would save much expense to the Board. All of which is respectfully submitted.

WALTER DE F. DAY, M. D.,
Sanitary Superintendent.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The Board of Police met on the 29th day of August, 1873. All the Commissioners present.

Leaves of Absence Granted.

Sergeant Rockwell, Thirteenth precinct, one day.

Patrolman Fred'k White, Third precinct, half day without pay.

Patrolman Jno. Delaney, Jr., Third precinct, one day without pay.

Patrolman Jno. B. Smith, Thirteenth precinct, half day without pay.

Patrolman Thos. Reilly, Third precinct, half day, without pay.

Patrolman Jos. Arthur, Twenty-third precinct, half day without pay.

Parades Allowed.

Eighth street Guard, September 1st Target Excursion.

Rohoner & Vogel Guard, Sept. 5th Target Excursion.

Leave was granted, under the rule, to Detective J. G. Tulley, to receive \$25.00.

Bills referred to Finance Committee.

Robt. C. Brown.....\$19 20
Duke & Moore..... 325 00

Resignations Accepted.

Patrolman John O'Neill, Eighth precinct.

Patrolman David Pettigrew, Fifteenth precinct.

Resolved, That it be referred to the Board of Surgeons to inquire and report whether Patrolman Henry Hon, Eighth precinct, is incapacitated for the performance of full patrol duty; and if so, the nature and origin of such disability.

Transfers Ordered.

Roundsmen Wm. F. Fitzpatrick, from 15th to 16th precinct.

Patrolman Simon Martin, from 19th to 5th precinct.

Patrolman Chas. McKenzie, from 18th to 32d precinct.

Patrolman Chas. Schick, from 21st to 28th precinct.

Patrolman Lewis E. Hill, from 10th to 5th precinct.

Patrolman J. B. McLaughlin, from 10th to 5th precinct.

Patrolman Thos. Reynolds, from 10th to 5th precinct.

Patrolman E. M. Stoddard, from 23d to 5th precinct.

Patrolman Josiah Elting, from 29th to 5th precinct.

Patrolman Jno. E. Reilly, from 29th to 5th precinct.

Patrolman Harrison Wade, from 29th to 5th precinct.

Patrolman Patrick Barry, from 30th to 32d precinct.

Patrolman Wm. Garrahan, from 19th to 5th precinct.

Patrolman E. H. Johnson, from 19th to 5th precinct.

Communication from Captain Speight, 32d precinct, relative to five stolen horses, was referred to the Treasurer for inquiry and report.

Communication from the Comptroller, stating that he will deposit the amount of requisitions on the 1st of September next. Referred to the Treasurer.

Resolved, That Roundsmen Stephen Paret, 16th precinct, be designated to perform duty of Sergeant, during the illness of Sergeant Lamey.

Adjourned.

S. C. HAWLEY,
Chief Clerk.

THE CITY RECORD.

The Board of CITY RECORD, &c., met in the Mayors office, Thursday, August 28th, 1873. Present, the Mayor, Commissioner of Public Works and Counsel to the Corporation.

On motion of Mr. Smith, and by a concurrent vote of the Board, it was resolved,

That the resolution passed by this Board July 24th, 1873, to wit: "By a concurrent vote of the Mayor, Commissioner of Public Works and Counsel to the Corporation, it was resolved, that, deeming it for the best interests of the city, we hereby consent that the Comptroller, Counsel to the Corporation and Commissioner of Public Works, procure such printing and stationery as may in the judgment of said three officers respectively be necessary in the proper

conduct of the business of the Finance, Law and Public Works Department respectively, each acting in this respect for his own Department, and that printing and stationery for all other Departments be furnished as ordered by this Board by and through the Commissioner of Public Works. This order to be in force until the further action of the Board," be and the same is hereby rescinded; and the resolution passed by this Board, July 14th, 1873, to wit:

"Resolved, By a concurrent vote of the Board, that pursuant to the provisions of Sec. 19, of Chap. 757, Laws of 1873, the Commissioner of Public Works be authorized and directed until the further orders of this Board, to procure such printing and stationery as may be required by the several departments, upon their requisition, in such manner and on such terms and conditions as he may deem for the best interests of the city, to be paid for out of the appropriation made for such printing and stationery upon the certificate and requisition of the Commissioner of Public Works," be and stand in full force, provided that all bills for stationery or printing contracted for or ordered by the Comptroller, Commissioner of Public Works and Counsel to the Corporation, may be properly certified by them respectively, and transmitted to the Commissioner of Public Works, and shall be paid by the Comptroller, on the requisition of the Commissioner of Public Works, out of the appropriation for stationery and printing, and that a copy of this resolution be furnished to the Comptroller, Commissioner of Public Works, and Counsel to the Corporation.

Bills of F. B. Fisher, amounting to \$2,431.29, for printing for the Board of Aldermen, and M. B. Brown, amounting to \$1,736.40, for printing for the Board of Assistant Aldermen, were, on motion of Mr. Van Nort, approved, and ordered sent to the Comptroller for audit and payment, after the same shall have been properly certified by the clerks of the said Board of Aldermen and Assistant Aldermen respectively.

On motion of Mr. Smith, and by a concurrent vote of the Board, it was resolved that the clerks of the respective Boards of Aldermen and Assistant Aldermen, be authorized to print the minutes and documents thereof, at the rates heretofore recognized by the Comptroller, without formal contract.

A communication from P. W. Rhodes was read and referred to the Corporation Counsel for his opinion.

D. S. WENDELL,
Secretary.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

The following opinions constitute a portion of the proceedings of the Law Department for the week ending August 30th, 1873:

THE COMPTROLLER ADVISED NOT TO COMPROMISE WITH THE PLAINTIFFS' ATTORNEY—A JUDGMENT AGAINST THE CITY, WHERE THE PARTIES THEMSELVES HAVE GIVEN WRITTEN NOTICE FORBIDDING PAYMENT TO THE ATTORNEY.

August 27, 1873.

Hon. Andrew H. Green, Comptroller of the City of New York:

SIR—I have received your letter of the 27th instant, requesting my opinion as to the propriety of accepting from the plaintiffs' attorney of record, an offer to compromise and settle for less than the amount a claim in judgment against the city, at the suit of John and Patrick Cunningham.

It appears that when the demand was originally left with the attorney, the claimants gave him an irrevocable power of attorney, to collect, settle or compromise the claim, retain from the sum recovered his own costs and fees, and pay the balance to them.

The claimants, however, have recently served you with a written notice, forbidding the payment of the claim to any person except themselves personally.

In my opinion, this notice is sufficient to put you upon inquiry as to any equitable grounds which the claimants may possibly be entitled to urge against the receipt of the money by their attorney.

I must, therefore, advise you not to settle the claim by paying less than the amount of the judgment, unless, first, the claimants unite with their attorney in the compromise; or, secondly, unless the judgment be actually satisfied of record; or, thirdly, unless a bond of indemnity, to be approved by me, be given to both the city and yourself.

I am, sir, very respectfully yours,

E. DELAFIELD SMITH,
Counsel to the Corporation.

POWER OF THE COMPTROLLER TO BORROW MONEY AND ISSUE REVENUE BONDS IN ANTICIPATION OF THE COLLECTION OF THE ANNUAL TAXES, WITHOUT NECESSITY OF OBTAINING AUTHORITY FROM THE BOARD OF APPORTIONMENT.

August 27th, 1873.

Hon. Andrew H. Green, Comptroller of the City of New York.

SIR—Your letter of the 25th instant is this day received, asking my opinion as to the authority of the Comptroller to issue revenue bonds of the Corporation, for moneys borrowed in anticipation of its revenues.

The annual taxes levied for the support of the city and county governments, are not collected until the year is nearly closed, and from necessity, for many years their receipt has been anticipated, under authority of law, by money borrowed upon the credit of the city.

The course of legislation has been to empower the Comptroller to exercise his judgment as to the amounts from time to time required, his office being the financial centre where the exigencies of the public service become known.

The fifth section of the act of 1870, chapter 383, following legislative precedents, provides that, "The Comptroller of the City of New York is authorized to borrow, from time to time, on the credit of the Corporation, in anticipation of its revenues, and not to exceed in amount the amount of such revenues, such sums as may be necessary to meet expenditures under the appropriations for each current year."

Laws of 1870, page 801.

In the precise words above cited, this provision of law was re-enacted by the late Legislature, in what is known as the Charter.

Laws of 1873, Section 105, Chapter 335, page 513.

In the year 1871, the Legislature placed a general restriction upon the power to issue bonds or stocks, and required that in general they must have been authorized by the Board of Apportionment. But from this provision, revenue bonds issued in anticipation of the taxes of the current year, are, by the act itself, expressly excepted. With regard to the latter, the Comptroller is left by that statute to exercise his own discretion as guided by facts and exigencies peculiarly within his official knowledge.

Laws of 1871, Chapter 583, Section 4, page 1270.

The one hundred and twelfth section of the act known as the amended charter, creates and continues a Board of Estimate and Apportionment. In granting and perpetuating the powers of such Board, the section referred to provides, among other things, that it "may, from time to time, by the affirmative vote of three members, authorize the issue of the whole or any portion of any stock or bonds which are now by law authorized to be issued, upon compliance with the provisions of law authorizing them."

Laws of 1873, chapter 335, section 112, page 518.

The question is, whether this affirmative grant of power to the Board of Apportionment contained in section 112, to authorize the issue of stocks or bonds as provided by law, repeals or modifies the express duty and authority given to the Comptroller in section 105 of the same act, to pledge the credit of the corporation for money borrowed to meet expenditures in anticipation of the taxes and other revenues to be realized by the city and county.

In my judgment, no such repeal or modification was either effected or intended by the Legislature. The words cited from the 112th section contain simply an affirmative grant of power to the Board, but do not expressly nor by implication impair the obligation and authority of the Comptroller to act upon his own official responsibility, without action on the part of the Board with regard to the necessity of anticipating the uncollected revenues of the corporation. The issue of what are known as revenue bonds is a temporary but necessary expedient, wisely and conveniently confided to the judgment and discretion of the Comptroller. It is not to be supposed, as a legal proposition, that a power so expressly and repeatedly granted, and perpetuated, would be repealed or modified, except by a plain expression of the legislative will.

I am, sir,

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

REPORT OF THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDING JULY 31ST, 1873.

HON. WILLIAM F. HAVEMEYER, Mayor.

SIR—In compliance with the provisions of Section 27, Chapter 335, Laws of 1873, and your note of July 16, I herewith hand you a statement of the operations and condition of the City Treasury for the three months ending July 31, 1873.

Respectfully,

AND. H. GREEN, Comptroller.

GENERAL SUMMARY.

Table with columns for balance in City Treasury, total receipts, total amount of warrants paid, and balance in Treasury at close of business.

RECEIPTS, SHOWING THE DIFFERENT SOURCES OF REVENUE AND AMOUNT RECEIVED FROM EACH SOURCE.

Large table listing various revenue sources including General Fund, Taxes, Loans, and Special and Trust Accounts, with corresponding amounts.

SINKING FUND REVENUES.

Table listing sinking fund revenues for redemption of city debt, including bonds and mortgages, water grant, dock and slip rents, etc.

SINKING FUND FOR PAYMENT—INTEREST ON CITY DEBT.

Table showing interest on bonds and mortgages, house rent, ground rent, ferry rent, water lot rent, croton water rent, etc.

PAYMENTS.

Table showing city treasury payments for general expenses, amount of warrants drawn, and total amount warrants paid.

SPECIAL AND TRUST ACCOUNTS.

Table listing various special and trust accounts such as Assessment Fund, Arrearages of 1871, Croton Water Fund, etc.

DEPARTMENT PUBLIC WORKS.

NOTICES TO CONTRACTORS AND SURETY. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, Commissioners Office, Room 19, City Hall, New York, August 27th, 1873.

Messrs. Wm. H. Williams and John Garvey, Contractors:

GENTLEMEN—Take notice, that I, George M. Van Nort, the Commissioner of Public Works, am of the opinion, and I do hereby certify the same in writing, that the work contracted to be done by Messrs. Wm. H. Williams and J. Garvey, for paving with Belgian blocks, 57th street, from 2d to Lexington avenue, under a contract made and entered into between said Williams & Garvey, and the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, on the 9th day of September, 1872, and said paving of 57th street is unnecessarily delayed, and that you are wilfully violating the conditions and covenants of said contract; and that the work is not being done, and is not progressing according to the terms of said contract, and that the work contemplated by said contract has not been fully completed in the time named in said contract for its completion; and I hereby notify and require you to commence the work contracted to be done by you under the contract aforesaid on or before the first day of September, 1873, and hereby notify and require you, on and after the fifth day of September, 1873, to discontinue all work under said contract, and the whole thereof, and from and after the day last aforesaid, to remove all persons employed by you from said work, and that I, as Commissioner aforesaid, will thereafter complete said work in the manner provided in section 91, of the charter of 1873, at their expense, and in case such expense shall exceed the sum payable to them under said contract, the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty will hold them responsible for such excess and you as surety.

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Respectfully, [Signed] GEO. M. VAN NORT, Commissioner of Public Works,

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, OFFICE CHIEF OF DEPARTMENTS, NEW YORK, August 1st, 1873.

Hon. Board of Commissioners.

GENTLEMEN—I respectfully, submit herewith, the report of operations of this Department for the quarter ending July 31st, 1873.

The accompanying table shows that the total number of fires were (387) three hundred and eighty-seven, and the estimated loss (\$533,078) five hundred and thirty-three thousand and seventy-eight dollars, which compared with the previous quarter, shows an increase of (32) thirty-two fires, and a decrease in the loss of (\$324,847) three hundred and twenty-four thousand, eight

Dated New York, 27th day of August, 1873.

Yours, &c.,

(Signed) GEO. M. VAN NORT, Commissioner of Public Works.

To WM. H. WILLIAMS & JOHN GARVEY, Contractors for paving 57th street, between 2d and Lexington avenues.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE, ROOM 19, CITY HALL, NEW YORK, August 27, 1873.

J. W. McIntyre, Esq., Surety for Messrs. W. H. Williams and J. Garvey, Contractors for paving 57th street, between 2d and Lexington avenues.

SIR—Take notice, that I, George M. Van Nort, the Commissioner of Public Works,

hundred and forty-seven dollars.

Very respectfully,
ELI BATES,
Chief of Departments.

Table with columns for 'HOW DISCOVERED' and 'HOW DESTROYED'. Rows include 'Total number of Fires', 'Confined to one Building', 'Extended to others', 'Vessels', 'In the street', 'Fire Patrol', 'Police Patrol', 'Bell Ringers', 'Citizens', 'Telegraph Fires', 'Telegraph False', 'Still', 'Total', 'Slightly damaged', 'Considerably damaged', 'Totally destroyed', 'By Officers', 'By Companies', 'By individual members', 'By Police', 'By Citizens', 'Total', 'Extinction of flames', 'Extinguished without sending out an Alarm', 'Extinguished with Fire Extinguisher', 'Estimated Loss'.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
127 AND 129 MERCER STREET,
Office of Supt. of Fire Alarm Telegraph.
NEW YORK, August 6th, 1873.

To the Honorable Board of Fire Commissioners.

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to transmit the following report of operations of this branch of the Department for the first quarter, dating from May 1st to July 31st, 1873.

The ringing of the Tower bells for fires was discontinued on June 1st, and the services of the bell ringers dispensed with on the towers located south of 33d street. Their duties being transferred to and performed by the uniformed force.

The Telegraph repair force consisting of nine Linemen at the commencement of the quarter was reduced on May 25th, and now consists of six experienced men.

The condition of the Telegraph was such at the close of the past winter as to excite well grounded fears for its reliable working even during the summer and fall months. After a careful survey of its condition the following report and recommendations were forwarded.

NEW YORK, July 7th, 1873.

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners:

GENTLEMEN—I herewith present a statement of the condition of the Telegraph of this Department, accompanied by such recommendations for its improvement as I deem absolutely necessary to maintain it in a reliable condition.

The wires south of Fourteenth street were built in 1869 and 1870; those above a year later. They have had no general repairs since their completion. Well constructed lines should remain in fair condition at least five or six years without extensive repairing, but unfortunately the air lines of this Department now require extensive repairs to place them in a safe and reliable shape. Their present condition is traceable to several causes. In their construction an expensive "patent" wire was used, composed of steel and copper, a copper strip wound spirally upon a steel core.

This wire has proved a complete failure. In joining it the copper covering splits and exposes the steel to water and dampness, producing a galvanic action between the two metals that rapidly eats and breaks the wire. The immense number of joints in the wires, which may be safely estimated at from 20,000 to 25,000, tends to seriously weaken them. This, in connection with the small number of poles used to sustain them, greatly increases the strain upon the wires, as well as the poles and fixtures.

With 625 miles of wire, but 2,600 poles were used, at least one-half less than were required in a properly constructed telegraph. Many of the poles used were of an inferior quality, and were not set at a sufficient depth in the ground. In a large number of places small and weak poles were placed on corners where the strain is double, and large poles placed where the strain is less.

Out of some 60 poles blown down in January last, "during the storm," some 40 were decayed to such an extent as to be unfit for further use. The purchase of this patent wire for repairs was

discontinued nearly two years ago, and a light galvanized iron wire has since been used, which answers all requirements, besides being less expensive by over one half. Two of the important circuits connecting with the engine houses were strung with this wire, and the best of the old wire used in repairs to other circuits. It was thought at the time that by continuing this process, as necessity required, the wires could be gradually renewed and kept in a serviceable condition. But they have failed so rapidly, and the sleet storm in January last damaged and weakened them to such an extent that it now requires the utmost exertions of the line force to keep them in fair working order. Consequently, they are in no condition to stand the storms of the coming winter. I would therefore respectfully recommend that they be strengthened as early a day as possible with (at least) 300 additional poles and 200 miles of wire.

Respectfully submitted,
C. K. SMITH,
Supt. Telegraph.

Active preparations were at once commenced and the work is now fairly progressing. The Lines were also rebuilt on 4th avenue, from 42d street to 50th street, to avoid interruptions caused by the 4th avenue improvement. The poles and wires have been transferred back to the new street line on Broadway, from 33d street to 51st street, in consequence of the widening of Broadway. The immense number of Telegraph Lines that have been constructed in the past few years in the city, threatens to seriously endanger the reliability of all Telegraphs.

Our records show that the interruptions to the fire wires from this source, (that is) coming in contact with other lines are rapidly increasing and points to a day fast approaching when a radical change in the entire system will be necessary.

The following is a summary of alarms, special signals, messages transmitted, &c., &c. for the three months ending at 12 A. M., July 31st, 1873.

First Alarms.

Table showing First Alarms: From Street Boxes (201), From Bell Towers (9), From Police Headquarters (11), Still Alarms (221), Total (407), Second Alarms (12), Third Alarms (8), Special call for companies (36), Total Alarms and Calls (463), Messages transmitted (144), Messages Received (557), Total (701).

Respectfully submitted,
C. KINNEY SMITH,
Supt. of Telegraph.

STATEMENT showing the expenses of the Fire Department of the City of New York, from May 19th, 1873, to July 31st, 1873, and balance of appropriation unexpended:

Table of expenses: For salaries and wages (\$249,607 87), Apparatus (16,506 00), Buildings (2,634 29), Contingencies (611 83), Coal and Wood (1,556 50), Gas (885 95), General Supplies (5,306 21), Horses (6,692 43), Horse feed and straw (6,128 93), Horse shoeing (1,421 75), Harness shop supplies (921 86), Hose shop supplies (473 00), Machine and paint shop supplies (3,275 36), Telegraph supplies (914 90), Total (\$296,936 88).

Table of appropriation: Appropriation for 1873 (\$1,264,900 00), Expended January 1st to May 19th (\$389,739 82), Expended May 19th to July 31st (296,936 88), Balance unexpended (\$578,223 30).

NEW YORK, August 1st, 1873.

JOSEPH L. PERLEY,
President.

Cornelius Van Cott, Treasurer, in account with the Fire Department of the City of New York:

Table of account with Treasurer: May 19, To amount received from Jas. S. Hennessy, Treasurer (\$991 00), May 31, To amount received from sales condemned horses (250 00), June 17, To amount received from sales manures (125 00), June 19, To amount of checks not paid out by old Board to parties entitled to same, now cancelled (1,194 85), Total (\$2,560 85).

1873 Cr.
June 14, By deposit with City Chamberlain (\$1,241 00)
June 19, By deposit with City Chamberlain (125 00)
June 19, By deposit with City Chamberlain (1,194 85)
Total (\$2,560 85)
E. & O. E.
NEW YORK, August 1st, 1873.
CORNELIUS VAN COTT,
Treasurer.

Cornelius Van Cott, Treasurer, in account with N. Y. F. D. Life Insurance Fund.

Table of account with Treasurer: 1873 Dr. May 19, To amount received from Jas. S. Hennessy, Treasurer old Board (\$1,523 00), June 9, To amount received for April assessment (686 00), June 29, To amount received for May assessment (685 00), July 31, To amount received for June assessment (660 00).

To balance on hand in West Side Savings Bank (\$3,554 00)
E. & O. E.

NEW YORK, August 1st, 1873.
CORNELIUS VAN COTT,
Treasurer.

MAYOR'S MARSHAL.

Table of Mayor's Marshal: Licenses granted and amount received for licenses and fines by Marshal D. S. Hart, for week ending Aug. 30, 1873: Licenses granted (110), Amount received (\$275 75).

THE CITY RECORD.

The following compilation of the requirements of the Charter with reference to matter to be published and advertised in THE CITY RECORD has been prepared for the convenience of Heads of Departments of the City government.

A. DISBECKER,
Supervisor of the City Record.

MATTER TO BE PUBLISHED AND ADVERTISED IN THE CITY RECORD IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 335 OF THE LAWS OF 1873.

SEC. 16. Immediately after the adjournment of each meeting of either board, it shall be the duty of the clerk of such board to prepare a brief abstract, omitting all technical and formal details, of all resolutions and ordinances introduced or passed, and of all recommendations of committees, and of all final proceedings, as well as full copies of all messages from the Mayor and all reports of departments or officers. He shall at once transmit the same to the person appointed to supervise the publication of THE CITY RECORD.

In all cases the yeas and nays upon the final passage of the resolution or ordinance shall be published.

§ 17. ¶. 26. The ordinances of the Common Council hall, as far as practicable, be reduced to a code, and be published as such in THE CITY RECORD.

§ 24. The Mayor shall render to the Board of Aldermen every three months, an account of the expenses and receipts of his office, and therein shall state, in detail, the amounts paid and agreed to be paid by him for salaries to his clerks and subordinates respectively, and the general nature of their duties which shall be published in THE CITY RECORD.

§ 27. The Departments of the City government shall, once in three months, and at such other times as the Mayor may direct, make to him in such form and under such rules as he may prescribe, reports of the operations and action of the same and each of them, which reports shall be published in THE CITY RECORD.

§ 32. The Comptroller of the City of New York shall appoint and at pleasure remove for cause to be stated in writing and published in THE CITY RECORD, a Deputy Comptroller.

§ 38. The sworn statement of the Corporation Attorney and Public Administrator, with a detailed list of costs, commissions, fines and penalties collected shall be published in THE CITY RECORD monthly, as furnished.

§ 44. The name, residence and occupation of each applicant for appointment to any position in the Police Department; as well as the name, residence and occupation of each person appointed to any position, shall be published, and such publication shall, in every instance, be made on the Saturday next succeeding such application or appointment in THE CITY RECORD.

§ 64. All property transmitted to the property clerk of the Police Department shall be advertised in THE CITY RECORD for the benefit of all persons interested, and for the information of the public as to the amount and disposition of the property.

§ 65. All property and money that shall remain in the custody of the property clerk for the period of six months without any lawful claimant thereto, shall be sold at public auction, after having been advertised in THE CITY RECORD for a period of ten days.

§ 75. Real or personal property belonging to the city, or city and county shall be duly advertised previous to the sale thereof at public auction.

§ 82. The Health Department is authorized and empowered to add to the "Sanitary Code" from time to time, and shall publish additional provisions for the security of life and health in the City of New York, and therein to distribute

appropriate powers and duties to the members and employes of the Board of Health, which shall be published in THE CITY RECORD.

§ 91. All contracts shall be entered into by the appropriate heads of departments, and shall, except as otherwise provided, be founded on sealed bids or proposals, made in compliance with public notice duly advertised in THE CITY RECORD, said notice to be published at least ten days.

§ 92. All property sold shall be sold at auction, after previous public notice.

§ 105. The "Board of Street Opening and Improvement" is authorized and empowered, after laying its proposed action before the Board of Aldermen, and publishing full notice of the same for ten days in THE CITY RECORD, to alter the map or plan of New York City so as to lay out new streets, &c., &c. &c.

§ 106. It shall be the duty of the Commissioners of Accounts, once in three months, and oftener if they deem it proper, to examine all vouchers and accounts in the offices of the comptroller and chamberlain, and to make and publish in THE CITY RECORD a detailed statement of the financial condition of the city, showing the amount of its funded and floating debt, the amount received and expended since the last preceding report, with a classification of the sources of revenue and expenditure, and such other information as they shall deem proper.

§ 108. It shall be the duty of the Comptroller to publish in THE CITY RECORD, two months before the election of charter officers, a full and detailed statement of the receipts and expenditures of the corporation during the year ending on the first day of the month in which such publication is made, and the cash balance or surplus; and in every such statement the different sources of city revenue, and the amount received from each the several appropriations made, the objects for which the same were made, and the amount of moneys expended under each, the moneys borrowed on the credit of the Corporation, the authority under which each loan was made, and the terms on which the same was obtained, shall be clearly and particularly specified.

§ 110. In every Department or Board there shall be kept a record of all its transactions, which shall be accessible to the public, and once a week a brief abstract, omitting formal language, shall be made of all transactions, and all contracts awarded and entered into for work and material of every description, which abstract shall contain the name or names, and residences by street and number, of the party or parties to the contract, and of their sureties, if any. A copy of such abstract shall be promptly transmitted to the person designated to prepare THE CITY RECORD, and shall be published therein. Notice of all appointments and removals from office, and all changes of salaries, shall, in like manner, within one week after they are made, be transmitted to and published in THE CITY RECORD.

§ 111. There shall be inserted in THE CITY RECORD nothing aside from such official matters as are in this act (Chap. 335 Laws of 1873,) expressly authorized.

All advertising required to be done for the city, and all notices required by law or ordinance to be published in corporation papers, shall be inserted, at the public expense, only in THE CITY RECORD, and a publication therein shall be a sufficient compliance with any law or ordinance requiring publication of such matter or notices.

There shall be published in THE CITY RECORD, within the month of January in each year, a list of all subordinates employed in any Department (except laborers), with their salaries, and residences by street numbers, and all changes in such subordinates or salaries shall be so published within one week after they are made.

It shall be the duty of all Heads of Departments to furnish to the person appointed to supervise the publication of THE CITY RECORD, everything required to be inserted therein. The said person shall have power to make requisitions in writing upon the Heads of Departments, to furnish the information necessary to make up such list, according to rules prescribed by him and approved by the Comptroller; and such information must be supplied by the department within ten days after such requisition. He shall have power to require such information in the same manner, every three months, and all other information in the control of said Heads of Departments necessary to perform his duties under this section. He shall include in his list the number of laborers, designating the department in which they are employed, and, if practicable, the numbers employed in the prosecution of specific work, and the amounts paid to them. He shall also cause to be printed in each issue of said CITY RECORD a separate statement of the hours during which all public offices in the city are open for business, and at which each court regularly opens and adjourns, as well as of the places where such offices are kept, and such courts are held.

The detailed canvass of votes at every election shall be published at the expense of the city only in THE CITY RECORD.

The Mayor may order the insertion of any official matter or report in THE CITY RECORD.

§ 112. After the provisional estimate is made by the Board of Apportionment, it shall be submitted by said board, with their reasons for it in detail, within ten days, to the Board of Aldermen, whereupon a special meeting of said Board shall be called to consider such estimate, and the same shall simultaneously be published in THE CITY RECORD.

Should the said Board of Apportionment overrule objections or suggestions made by the Board of Aldermen the reasons for such action shall be published in THE CITY RECORD.

