

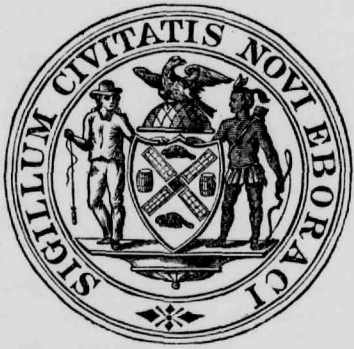
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PROVISIONAL ESTIMATE FOR THE YEAR 1878.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT—COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
CITY OF NEW YORK, November 8, 1877.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

Herewith I transmit to your Honorable Body, the Provisional Estimate of the City and County of New York, for the year 1878, adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment October 31, 1877, together with the reasons in detail for said estimate, in pursuance of a resolution of that Board, adopted this day, and the provisions of law contained in section 112 of chapter 335, Laws of 1873.

Very respectfully,

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, as provided by section 112, of chapter 335, of the Laws of 1873, and the amendments thereto, do, by the affirmative vote of all the members, hereby make the following Provisional Estimate of the amounts required to pay the expenses of conducting the public business of the city and county of New York, in each Department, and branch thereof, and the Board of Education, for the next ensuing financial year, to wit: for the year eighteen hundred and seventy-eight (1878), in which estimate is included such sum as is necessary for the payment of the interest on the bonds of the city and county, which becomes due and payable within said year, and also such sum as is necessary to pay the principal of any bonds and stocks which become due and payable from taxes during the said year, and also so much as may be necessary to pay the proportion of the State tax required to be paid by the city and county of New York, in said year, to wit:

PROVISIONAL ESTIMATE FOR 1878.

THE COMMON COUNCIL.

City Contingencies.....	\$2,500 00
Contingencies—Clerk of the Common Council.....	500 00
Salaries—Common Council:	
President of the Board of Aldermen.....	\$5,000 00
Twenty-one Aldermen, at \$4,000 each.....	84,000 00
Clerks and officers, Board of Aldermen.....	15,000 00
	104,000 00
	\$107,000 00

THE MAYORALTY.

Contingencies—Mayor's office.....	\$4,000 00
Salaries—Mayor's office:	
Salary of the Mayor.....	\$12,000 00
Salaries of Clerks and subordinates.....	18,000 00
	30,000 00
Salaries—Bureau of Permits.....	12,000 00
	46,000 00

THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE.

Expenses of conducting the Department:	
Cleaning markets.....	\$20,000 00
Contingencies—Comptroller's office.....	3,000 00
Salaries—Department of Finance:	
For salary of the Comptroller.....	\$10,000 00
For salaries of the Attaches of the Department.....	162,000 00
	172,000 00
Salaries—Chamberlain's office.....	30,000 00
	225,000 00

FOR THE STATE.

State Taxes:	
For General Purposes, 1 11-24 mills, as per Chapter 341, Laws of 1877.....	\$1,799,862 13
For the New Capitol and other buildings, 1/4 mill, as per Chapter 341, Laws of 1877.....	308,547 79
For Canals, 1/2 mill, as per Chapter 55, Laws of 1877.....	411,397 00
	\$2,519,806 98
Common Schools for the State:	
For Common Schools, 1 1/4 mills, as per Chapter 341, Laws of 1877.....	1,388,465 08
	3,908,272 06

INTEREST ON THE DEBT OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

Interest on the City Debt.....	9,164,383 65
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REDEMPTION OF THE PRINCIPAL OF THE CITY DEBT.

Statement of Bonds and Stocks payable in the year 1878 from Taxation.

Floating Debt Fund Stock of 1878.....	\$130,763 33
Annual Installment, issued in pursuance of Chapter 408, Laws of 1866.....	
Bonds for Liquidation of Claims and Judgments.....	211,650 00
Issued in pursuance of Chapter 756, Laws of 1873, payable July 1, 1878.....	
Bonds for State Sinking Fund Deficiency.....	389,949 48
Issued in pursuance of Chapter 147, Laws of 1874, payable May 1, 1878.....	
Assessment Fund Stock.....	100,000 00
Issued in pursuance of Chapter 565, Laws of 1865, and Chapter 304, Laws of 1874, payable March 6, 1878.....	
New York County Court-house Stock, No. 1.....	100,000 00
Issued in pursuance of Chapter 167, Laws of 1862, payable November 1, 1878.....	
New York County Court-house Stock, No. 2.....	160,000 00
Issued in pursuance of Chapter 854, Laws of 1868, payable November 1, 1878.....	
Revenue Bonds of 1878.....	2,975 00
Issued in pursuance of Chapter 298, Laws of 1877, payable November 1, 1878.....	
Redemption of the Debt of the annexed Territory of Westchester County:	
Town of Morrisania.....	\$21,000 00
Town of West Farms.....	9,000 00
County of Westchester, for proportion of Bounty Loan and Central Park Avenue Bonds, incurred on account of annexed towns.....	25,010 46
	55,010 46
Revenue Bond of 1878.....	157 50
Issued in pursuance of Chapter 625, Laws of 1871, payable March 8, 1878.....	
Revenue Bonds of 1878.....	1,024 50
Issued in pursuance of Chapter 418, Laws of 1877, payable November 1, 1878.....	
	1,151,530 27

MISCELLANEOUS PURPOSES.

Armories and Drill-rooms:	
For wages of Armories, in pursuance of section 39, chapter 223, Laws of 1875.....	17,520 00

Armories and Drill-rooms—Rent of:
For rent of the following premises for Armories and Drill-rooms, under leases made in conformity with section 120, chapter 223, Laws of 1875:

DATE OF LEASE.	NAME OF LESSOR.	FOR WHAT PURPOSES.	LOCATION OF PREMISES.	TERM OF LEASE.	ANNUAL RENT.	AMOUNT TO BE PROVIDED IN 1878.
1876. May 16	Wm. D. F. Manice and Ed. A. Manice	71st Regiment	2d story building on Broadway, 6th avenue, 35th and 36th streets.....	3 years, from May 1, 1876	\$12,000 00	\$12,000 00
1876. May 10	Valentine G. Hall, sole surviving executor.....	22d Regiment	14th street, between 6th and 7th avenues.....	5 years, from May 1, 1876	15,000 00	15,000 00
1876. May 18	Cassius H. Reed....	5th Regiment.	Halls and premises on 2d story of buildings, Nos. 139, 141 and 143 W. 23d street, etc.	5 years, from May 1, 1876	7,500 00	7,500 00
1877. January 6	Chas. W. Dickel....	First Troop Cavalry....	Nos. 7, 9, and 11 W. 13th street.....	5 years, from Jan. 1, 1877	5,500 00	{ For 1878, 5,500 00 9 months in 1877, 4,125 00
1877. January 8	Mary Combes and Lewis H. Combes, her husband.....	Companies A, K, & G, 27th Regiment....	2d floor of Morrisania Hall, Railroad avenue, between 166th and 167th streets.....	2 years, from Jan. 1, 1877	750 00	{ For 1878, 750 00 6 months in 1877, 375 00
	Frederick Lambart.	G Company, 27th Regt....	150th street.....	For 3 months in 1876.....		87 50
Total.....						45,337 50

Coroners' Post-mortem Examinations:

As authorized by chapter 620, Laws of 1875.....	1,000 00
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Judgments:

For judgments recovered against the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, not otherwise provided for.....	200,000 00
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Rents (leases in force):

For payment of rent of property leased to the Corporation for public offices and other public purposes, except armories and drill-rooms, as follows:

LESSORS.	LOCATION.	PURPOSES.	EXPIRATION OF LEASE.	AMOUNT OF RENT FOR 1878
Henry McCadden, Jr.	514 Pearl street.....	Second District Civil Court.....	Hired for.....	\$1,300 00
Morgan Jones.....	106, 108, and 110 Centre street.....	First District Police Court.....	May 1, 1880	7,500 00
Alexander L. Whitelaw	389½ and 391 Fourth avenue.....	Sixth District Civil Court.....	May 1, 1878	2,500 00
John Schappert.....	Northeast corner 2d avenue and 1st street.....	Fourth District Civil Court.....	May 1, 1879	2,500 00
William T. and Daniel C. Blodgett.....	125th and 126th streets, 4th and Lexington avenues.	Ninth District Civil and Fifth District Police Courts.....	Dec. 31, 1878	8,000 00
John B. Haskin.....	Northeast corner of Kingsbridge road and College avenue	Sixth District Police and Tenth District Civil Courts.....	May 1, 1880	1,500 00
Charles Johnson.....	Southwest corner of 7th avenue and 22d street...	Eighth District Civil Court.....	Jan. 1, 1882	3,000 00
New York Dispensary.	Northwest cor. of Centre and White streets.....	Reception Hospital.	May 1, 1880	9,500 00
Denis Kennedy.....	99th street, between 9th and 10th avenues.....	"	May 1, 1880	1,500 00
Reuben Smith.....	No. 2 Fourth avenue, 2d, 3d, and 4th floors.....	Department of Buildings	May 1, 1879	3,500 00
Benjamin Wood	No. 19 Chatham street, 2d floor.....	Board of Assessors..	May 1, 1878	{ Croton water rent, 25 00 3,600 00 3,000 00
Jane de Zee	No. 40 East Houston street	Excise Office.....	May 1, 1881	
Mary A. Schanck, ex'x	No. 27 Chambers street, 2d, 3d, and 5th floors..	Marine Court	May 1, 1880	12,000 00
Oswald Ottendorfer ..	Staats Zeitung Building, 3d floor.....	Counsel to the Corporation.....	May 1, 1881	7,500 00
Emigrant Industrial Savings Institution..	51 Chambers street.....	Bureau for the Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes.	May 1, 1878	2,500 00
Total.....				\$69,425 00

Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, Expenses of.....	2,000 00
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Examining Old Claims and Accounts, etc.:

For Services in Examining Old Claims and Accounts, and in Procuring and Presenting of Evidence Relative to Frauds, prior to January 1, 1872, in the City and County of New York.....	5,000 00
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State Tax of 1874, due by Towns annexed from Westchester County:

For the payment to the Comptroller of the State of a deficiency in the tax of 1874, apportioned to the County of Westchester on account of the Towns of West Farms, Morrisania, and Kingsbridge, as provided by chapter 289, Laws of 1877.....	\$76,702 89
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Interest at three per cent., from May 1, 1875, to May 1, 1878, three years.....	6,903 26
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	83,606 15
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THE LAW DEPARTMENT.

Contingencies—Law Department.....	\$25,000 00
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Contingencies—Corporation Attorney's Office.....	500 00
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Contingencies—Public Administrator's Office.....	1,000 00
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Salaries—Law Department:

[Office of the Counsel to the Corporation.]	
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Salary of the Counsel to the Corporation.....	\$15,000 00
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Salaries of Assistants, Clerks, and Messengers.....	70,000 00
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	85,000 00
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[Bureau of Corporation Attorney.]

Salary of the Corporation Attorney.....	\$6,000 00
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Salaries of Clerks, Assistants, and Janitor.....	6,000 00
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	12,000 00
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[Bureau of Public Administrator.]

Salary of Public Administrator.....	\$5,000 00
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Salaries of Clerks and Assistants.....	3,000 00
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	8,000 00
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Salaries—Bureau of the Attorney for the Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes:

Salary of the Attorney.....	\$5,000 00
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Salary of the Clerk.....	1,500 00
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	6,500 00
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	138,000 00
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THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Aqueduct—Repairs and Maintenance.....	\$100,000 00	
Boulevards, Roads, and Avenues, Maintenance of.....	40,000 00	
Contingencies—Department of Public Works.....	2,500 00	
Flagging Sidewalks and Fencing Vacant Lots in front of City Property.....	1,000 00	
Free Floating Baths.....	8,600 00	
Lamps and Gas.....	650,000 00	
Public Buildings—Construction and Repairs, Including Repairs to Armories.....	35,000 00	
Public Drinking-hydrants.....	5,000 00	
Removing Obstructions in Streets and Avenues.....	4,000 00	
Repairing and Renewal of Pipes, Stop-cocks, etc.....	100,000 00	
Repaving under Chapter 476, Laws of 1875.....	250,000 00	
Repairs and Renewal of Pavements.....	150,000 00	
Roads and Avenues and Sprinkling.....	20,000 00	
Salaries—Department of Public Works.....	95,000 00	
Sewers—Repairing and Cleaning.....	60,000 00	
Street Improvements—For Street Signs, etc.....	1,000 00	
Supplies for and Cleaning Public Offices, including pay of Janitors of City Courts and purchasing Law Books.....	90,000 00	
Wells and Pumps—Repairing and Cleaning.....	3,000 00	
		1,615,100 00

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

Maintenance and Government of Parks and Places:		
For Salaries—To pay entirely the salaries of the President, Clerks, Engineers, Architects, and all other employees of the Department, excepting Mechanics, Gardeners, and Laborers, and their Foremen, employed on the work of maintaining the Parks and Places, excepting also the Topographical Engineer and his Assistants in charge of surveying, monumenting, etc., Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, and also excepting the Superintendent and Engineer-in-Charge of Public Places, Roads, Avenues, and Bridges, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.....	\$35,000 00	
Police—Salaries of Captain, Lieutenant, Sergeants, Patrolmen, Post and Gate Keepers, and Night Watchmen.....	90,000 00	
Maintenance of the Parks and Places, for all supplies and for wages of Foremen, Gardeners, Mechanics, and Laborers employed on works of maintenance, and including also the sum of \$30,000 for the keeping, preservation, and exhibition of the collection in the American Museum of Natural History, and the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and also the maintenance of the Meteorological Observatory.....	175,000 00	
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs, Improvements, and Maintenance.....	7,000 00	
Music—Central Park.....	4,000 00	
Surveying, Laying-out, and Monumenting Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, including north end of this Island.....	10,000 00	
Maintenance and Government of Public Places, Roads, Avenues, and Bridges, including Bridges over the Bronx River, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.....	25,000 00	
		346,000 00

THE DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

Salaries—Department of Buildings.....	70,000 00
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THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

Public Charities and Correction:		
For salaries. To pay the salaries of the officers and employees of the Department of Public Charities and Correction, including the services of the Emigrant Examining Clerk.....	\$265,000 00	
For supplies. For all supplies for the Department of Public Charities and Correction, including \$40,000 for support of Out-door Poor, and for maintenance of children transferred from Randall's Island Nursery to various institutions.....	800,000 00	
For repairs and alterations to buildings and apparatus.....	25,000 00	
For poor adult blind.....	20,000 00	
For furniture and salaries for new Second District Prison.....	10,000 00	
For extension to Bellevue Hospital for new water-closets as recommended by the Medical Faculty.....	10,000 00	
		1,130,000 00

THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Health Fund:		
For salaries.....	\$108,000 00	
For law expenses, including Marshals' fees.....	3,000 00	
For disinfection.....	10,000 00	
For contingent expenses.....	4,000 00	
For removal of Night-soil, Offal, and Dead Animals.....	40,000 00	
Fund for Small-Pox Hospital and Care of Contagious Diseases:		
For salaries.....	\$8,000 00	
For supplies.....	17,000 00	
		25,000 00
		190,000 00

THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Police Fund:		
For salaries of Commissioners of Police.....	\$26,000 00	
For salary of Superintendent of Police.....	6,000 00	
For salaries of 4 Inspectors of Police.....	14,000 00	
For salaries of 19 Sergeants.....	29,000 00	
For salaries of 35 Captains, at \$2,000 each.....	70,000 00	
For salaries of 140 Sergeants, at \$1,600 each.....	224,000 00	
For salaries of 2,261 Patrolmen, at \$1,200 each.....	2,713,200 00	
For salaries of 78 Doormen, at \$900 each.....	70,200 00	
For salaries of clerks, deputies, stenographers, superintendent of telegraph, telegraph operators, messengers, cleaners, steamboat, and all other employees.....	40,000 00	
		\$3,192,400 00

Police Station-houses—Rents.

LESSOR.	LOCATION.	PURPOSES.	EXPIRATION OF LEASE.	AMOUNT OF RENT FOR 1878.
Peter Goelet and others..	34 East 29th street...	29th Precinct Police....	May 1, 1875	{ Croton water taxes and assessments, \$1,500 00
James Neely..	218 East 59th street, rear building.....	19th Precinct Police....	Apr. 30, 1878	141 66
Joseph H. Godwin.....	Twenty-fourth Ward	35th Precinct Police....	Aug. 1, 1884	{ All taxes, Croton repairs, etc., 1,700 00
John Theiss..	Lawrence street, bet. Broadway and 10th ave., Manhattan v'e	30th Precinct Police....	May 1, 1880	{ Croton water, 1,450 00
Peter and Robert Goelet..	52 and 54 New street.	1st Precinct Police....	May 1, 1880	{ Croton and all taxes and repairs, 4,500 00
Herman T. Livingston.....	Eighth avenue, near southeast corner of 130th street.....	4th Inspector's Dist. Office	May 1, 1878 For 1878....	100 00 320 00
	Privilege of 2 years at \$420 per ann. um.			
Helen R. Perkins and o'rs.	1st story of No. 112 West 14th street..	Inspector's Dist. Office	May 1, 1878 For 1877.... If hired for 1878, balance re-quired....	300 00 900 00 600 00
Charles E. Quackenbush	Rooms Nos. 1 and 2, Third avenue and 86th street, Parepa Hall.....	Inspector's Dist. Office	May 1, 1878 For 1877.... If hired for 1878, balance re-quired....	160 00 320 00 320 00
Wm. Kramer.	1st floor No. 26 Elizabeth street.....	First Inspector's Dist. Office	Dec. 1, 1877. Dec. 1, 1878.	33 34 400 00
	Privilege of 5 years at \$400 per ann. um.			
Add for Croton Water Rent.....				1,000 00
				\$13,745 00

Police Station-houses—Alterations, fitting up, additions to, and repairs of station-houses, steamboat "Seneca," and Central Department.....	20,000 00
Supplies for Police.....	60,000 00
Cleaning Streets under Police Department:	
For salaries of clerks, inspectors, foremen, steamboat superintendents and employees, wages of sweepers, laborers, watchmen, trimmers, cart-drivers, and hostlers; expenses for hired carts, supplies, new scows, harness, horses, and carts, rent of stables, and all expenses for this purpose; including \$7,500 for scows to receive the ashes, garbage or rubbish from the steamers plying in the Harbor of New York, as provided by chapter 148, Laws of 1875.....	700,000 00
	3,086,145 00

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Fire Department Fund:		
For salaries, viz.:		
Headquarters Pay-roll.....	\$38,000 00	
Telegraph Force Pay-roll.....	25,000 00	
Repair Shop Pay-roll.....	35,000 00	
Bureau of Combustibles Pay-roll.....	10,000 00	
Bureau of Fire Marshal Pay-roll.....	6,400 00	
Bureau of Chief of Department Pay-roll.....	32,700 00	
Superintendent of Horses Pay-roll.....	7,000 00	
Pay of Foremen, Assistant Foremen, Engineers, Firemen, Ladder-men, and Hosemen, of Engine and Hook and Ladder Companies, and of the Fire Steamboat.....	872,450 00	
		\$1,026,550 00
For apparatus, supplies, etc.:		
For new apparatus, horses, rents, and all supplies and expenses of the Department not otherwise provided for, including maintenance of Fire Steamboat, and for buildings, repairs, and alterations.....	175,000 00	
		1,201,550 00

THE DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

Contingencies—Department of Taxes and Assessments.....	\$500 00
Salaries—Department of Taxes and Assessments:	
Salaries of Commissioners.....	\$16,500 00
Salaries of Deputies, Clerks, and employees.....	74,100 00
	90,600 00
Salaries—Board of Assessors:	
Salaries of the Assessors and their Clerks.....	17,800 00
	108,900 00

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Public Instruction:		
For salaries of Teachers, Janitors, Superintendents, Clerks, and employees; for supplies, rents, incidental expenses, and current repairs to buildings, furniture, and heating apparatus, including the expense of compulsory education, as provided by Chapter 421, Laws of 1874; and for the support of the Nautical School, established by Chapter 288, Laws of 1873; and all expenses of the Board of Education not included under any other head of account; for purchasing, leasing, and procuring sites, and erecting buildings; furnishing, fitting up, altering, enlarging, and repairing buildings and premises under the charge of the Board of Education, and for repairing the furniture and heating apparatus; for the support of schools which shall have been organized since the last annual apportionment of school moneys; and such further sum or sums as may be necessary for any of the purposes authorized by law; and for school moneys apportioned to the corporate schools.....	3,553,000 00	

THE COLLEGE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

College of the City of New York:		
For salaries of professors and officers, scientific apparatus, books, and supplies, support and maintenance, and all other expenses.....	\$132,500 00	
For repairs to buildings.....	10,000 00	
		142,500 00

ADVERTISING, PRINTING, STATIONERY, AND BLANK BOOKS.

Publication of the CITY RECORD.....	\$22,500 00
CITY RECORD—Salaries and Contingencies.....	7,500 00
Advertising.....	3,000 00
Printing, Stationery, and Blank Books:	
For all printing, stationery, and blank books required by the Common Council, the Departments and Offices of the City Government, except printing the CITY RECORD, including the Publishing of Calendars of Courts, under Chapter 656, Laws of 1874.....	117,000 00
	150,000 00

THE JUDICIARY.

Salaries—City Courts:		
(Police Courts.)		
Salaries of eleven Police Justices, at \$8,000 each per annum.....	\$88,000 00	
Salaries of clerks, attendants, stenographers, interpreters, the Record Clerk, and Secretary of the Board of Police Justices.....	62,600 00	
		\$150,600 00
(District Courts.)		
Salaries of nine District Court Justices, at \$6,000 each per annum and one at \$5,000 per annum.....	\$62,000 00	
Salaries of clerks, stenographers, interpreters, and attendants.....	117,200 00	
		179,200 00
		329,800 00
Salaries—Judiciary		
(The Supreme Court.)		
Five Justices, at \$11,500 each.....	\$57,500 00	
Clerks, criers, stenographers, and librarian.....	34,500 00	
Twenty-four attendants, at \$1,200 each.....	28,800 00	
Compensation of judges from other districts.....	5,000 00	
		125,800 00
(The Superior Court.)		
Six Justices, at \$15,000 each.....	\$90,000 00	
Clerks, assistants, and stenographers.....	41,800 00	
Fourteen attendants, at \$1,200 each.....	16,800 00	
		151,600 00
(The Court of Common Pleas.)		
Six Justices, at \$15,000 each.....	\$90,000 00	
Clerks, assistants, and stenographers.....	48,000 00	
Fifteen attendants, at \$1,200 each.....	18,000 00	
		156,000 00
(The Marine Court.)		
Six Justices, at \$10,000 each.....	\$60,000 00	
Stenographers and interpreters.....	7,500 00	
Clerk, deputy clerks, and assistant clerks.....	33,500 00	
Thirteen attendants, at \$1,200 each.....	15,600 00	
		116,600 00
(The Court of General Sessions and Oyer and Terminer.)		
Clerk.....	7,000 00	
Deputy clerk.....	5,000 00	
Assistant clerk.....	3,000 00	
Two additional deputy clerks, one at \$2,500 and one at \$1,200.....	3,700 00	
Stenographer.....	2,500 00	
Additional stenographer.....	2,000 00	
Interpreter.....	2,500 00	
Additional interpreter.....	1,200 00	
Thirty-six attendants, at \$1,200 each.....	43,200 00	
		70,100 00
(The Court of Special Sessions.)		
Clerk.....	\$6,000 00	
Deputy clerk.....	5,000 00	
Stenographer.....	2,500 00	
Interpreter.....	2,000 00	
Three subpoena servers, at \$2,000 each.....	6,000 00	
Messenger.....	1,500 00	
		23,000 00
(The County Clerk's Office.)		
County clerk, deputies, assistants, clerks, and messenger.....	40,725 00	
(The Surrogate's Office.)		
The Surrogate.....	\$12,000 00	
Chief clerk, clerks, assistants, stenographers, attendants, and messenger.....	35,000 00	
		47,000 00
(The District Attorney's Office.)		
The District Attorney.....	\$12,000 00	
Assistants, clerks, stenographers, and messenger.....	55,000 00	
		67,000 00
(The Recorder's Office.)		
The Recorder.....	12,000 00	
(The City Judge's Office.)		
The City Judge.....	15,000 00	
(Judge of the Court of General Sessions.)		
The Judge of the Court of General Sessions.....	12,000 00	
(The Commissioner of Jurors.)		
Salary of the Commissioner.....	6,000 00	
		842,825 00

MISCELLANEOUS PURPOSES.

Coroners' Fees:	
For fees of Coroners, as authorized by Chapter 565, Laws of 1868; and for expenses of Attending Physicians, including salary of Clerk to the Board of Coroners, as provided by Chapter 462, Laws of 1871.....	\$70,000 00
Contingencies—District Attorney's office.....	4,000 00
Disbursements and Fees of County Officers and Witnesses, exclusive of Sheriff's fees....	5,000 00
Election Expenses.....	137,450 00
Jurors' Fees, including expenses of jurors in criminal trials.....	25,000 00
Salaries—Commissioners of Accounts:	
For salaries of two Commissioners of Accounts, at \$3,000 each.....	\$6,000 00
For Clerk hire.....	4,000 00
Support of Prisoners in County Jail, in pursuance of chapter 251, Laws of 1875.....	10,000 00
Sheriff's Fees.....	15,000 00
	30,000 00
	296,450

ASYLUMS, REFORMATORIES, AND CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS.

Asylum for Idiots:	
(Chapter 739, Laws of 1867.)	
For furnishing clothing for twelve inmates from this County, at \$30 each.....	\$360 00
American Female Guardian Society and Home for the Friendless:	
(Chapter 754, Laws of 1872.).....	25,000 00
Children's Aid Society:	
(Chapter 70, Laws of 1865).....	\$10,000 00
(Chapter 163, Laws of 1867).....	30,000 00
(Chapter 180, Laws of 1871).....	30,000 00
	70,000 00
Foundling Asylum, under charge of the Sisters of Charity:	
(Chapter 635, Laws of 1872.)	
(Chapter 644, Laws of 1874.)	
(Chapter 43, Laws of 1877.)	
Estimated average number of inmates, 1,650, at 38 cts. per day each....	\$228,855 00
Estimated number of homeless or needy mothers nursing their own infants, 45, at \$18 each per month.....	9,720 00
	238,575 00
Hebrew Benevolent and Orphan Asylum Society:	
(Chapter 230, Laws of 1874.)	
Estimated average number of inmates, 345, at \$110 each per annum.....	35,750 00
Hudson River State Hospital:	
(Chapter 446, Laws of 1874.)	
Estimated average number of inmates, 3, at \$4 per week each and expenses....	625 00
New York Institution for the Instruction of the Deaf and Dumb:	
(Chapter 325, Laws of 1863.)	
(Chapter 386, Laws of 1864.)	
(Chapter 721, Laws of 1867.)	
(Chapter 253, Laws of 1874.)	
(Chapter 213, Laws of 1875.)	
For furnishing clothing for 100 State pupils, at \$30 each.....	\$3,000 00
For education and support of 58 county pupils, at \$300 each.....	17,400 00
	20,400 00
Institution for Improved Instruction of Deaf Mutes:	
(Chapter 725, Laws of 1867.)	
(Chapter 180, Laws of 1870.)	
(Chapter 213, Laws of 1875.)	
For education and support of 40 pupils, at \$300 each.....	\$12,000 00
For clothing of 10 State pupils, at \$30 each.....	300 00
	12,300 00
Institution for the Blind:	
(Chapter 166, Laws of 1870.)	
For clothing 125 pupils, at \$50 each.....	6,250 00
Le Couteux St. Mary's Institution for the Improved Instruction of Deaf Mutes in the City of Buffalo:	
(Chapter 548, Laws of 1871.)	
For education and support of 2 pupils, at \$300 each.....	\$600 00
For clothing of 1 State pupil.....	30 00
	630 00
New York Magdalen Benevolent Society:	
(Chapter 409, Laws of 1867.)	
Estimated average number of inmates, 36, at \$110 per year.....	3,960 00
New York Juvenile Asylum:	
(Chapter 245, Laws of 1866.)	
Estimated average number of inmates, 750, at \$110 per annum.....	82,500 00
New York Infant Asylum:	
(Chapter 263, Laws of 1872.)	
(Chapter 213, Laws of 1876.)	
(Chapter 90, Laws of 1877.)	
Estimated average number of children 175, at 38 cents per day each....	\$24,272 50
Estimated number of obstetrical cases in Lying-in Wards, 80, at \$25 each.....	2,000 00
Estimated number of homeless or needy mothers nursing their own infants, 40, at \$18 each per month.....	8,640 00
	34,912 50
State Homoeopathic Asylum for the Insane:	
(Chapter 446, Laws of 1874.)	
Estimated number of inmates, 3, at \$3.50 per week each and expenses for clothing, etc.	780 00
New York State Lunatic Asylum:	
(Chapter 135, Laws of 1842.)	
Estimated average number of inmates 2, at \$250 per annum each.....	500 00
New York Catholic Protectory:	
(Chapter 647, Laws of 1866.)	
(Chapter 428, Laws of 1867.)	
Estimated average number of inmates, 2,150, at \$110 per annum each.....	236,500 00
New York Infirmary for Women and Children:	
(Chapter 101, Laws of 1877.)	
Estimated average number of obstetrical cases 80, at \$25 each.....	\$2,000 00
Estimated average number of homeless and needy mothers nursing their own infants 3, at \$18 each per month.....	648 00
	2,648 00
New York Society for the Relief of the Ruptured and Crippled:	
(Chapter 835, Laws of 1872.)	
Estimated average number of inmates, 175, at \$150 each per annum.....	26,250 00
Nursery and Child's Hospital:	
(Chapter 650, Laws of 1866.)	
(Chapter 366, Laws of 1869.)	
(Chapter 643, Laws of 1874.)	
Estimated average number of children, 465, at \$120 each per annum....	\$55,800 00
Estimated average number of Lying-in Women, 170, at \$260 each per annum.....	44,200 00
	100,000 00
Protestant Episcopal House of Mercy:	
(Chapter 409, Laws of 1867.)	
Estimated average number of inmates, 28, at \$110 each per annum.....	3,080 00
Roman Catholic House of the Good Shepherd:	
(Chapter 409, Laws of 1867.)	
Estimated average number of inmates, 93, at \$160 each per annum.....	14,880 00
State Asylum for Insane Criminals at Auburn:	
(Chapter 895, Laws of 1869.)	
Estimated average number of inmates, 6, at \$4 each per week.....	1,248 00
The Children's Fold of the City of New York:	
(Chapter 506, Laws of 1874.)	
Estimated average number of inmates, 48, at \$2 each per week.....	4,992 00
Union Home and School for Education of Children of Volunteer Soldiers:	
(Chapter 309, Laws of 1870.)	
(Chapter 583, Laws of 1871.)	
(Chapter 143, Laws of 1873.)	
Estimated average number of inmates, 160, at \$150 each per annum.....	24,000 00
St. Joseph's Improved Institute for the Instruction of Deaf Mutes:	
(Chapter 213, Laws of 1875.)	
Estimated average number of inmates, 33, at \$300 each per annum.....	9,900 00
	956,040 50
Total.....	\$30,082,385 13
Deduct amount of estimated revenues of the General Fund not otherwise specifically appropriated by law, including surplus revenues of the Sinking Fund for payment of interest on City Debt.....	
	2,500,000 00
Total.....	\$27,582,385 13

The Chairman put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and adopt said Provisional Estimate.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor of the City of New York (Chairman), the Comptroller of the City of New York, the President of the Board of Aldermen, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—4.

REASONS FOR THE "PROVISIONAL ESTIMATE FOR 1878."

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

In pursuance of the provisions of Section 112, Chapter 335, Laws of 1873, declaring that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment shall meet annually, between the first day of August and the first day of November, "and, by the affirmative vote of all the members, make a Provisional Estimate of the amounts required to pay the expenses of conducting the public business of the City and County of New York, in each department and branch thereof, and the Board of Education, for the then next ensuing financial year," the Board of Estimate and Apportionment herewith transmits to your honorable body the Provisional Estimate for 1878, made by said Board on October 31, 1877, with the reasons in detail for their action thereon.

The Board of Estimate and Apportionment have minutely examined and carefully considered every item of expense asked for in the Departmental Estimates, to determine where reductions could be made in the amount without injury to the public interests in the administration of any of the various branches of the City Government.

The reduction of taxes is considered to be an imperative duty imposed upon the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, to the full extent of their limited power over the appropriations, under existing provisions of law, and so far as they can exercise any discretionary power they have acted with strict regard to the public necessities in making the appropriations of the Provisional Estimate. They have reduced the amounts asked for in the Departmental Estimates in every item of appropriation over which they have any control wherever it seemed possible, and have not appropriated a single dollar in the Provisional Estimate not deemed indispensable under a faithful and economical administration of the City Government.

The Board of Estimate and Apportionment would have been glad to make reductions in many items of the Departmental Estimates which they consider extravagant in amount and unnecessary for an efficient performance of the public service, while they impose a burden upon the community from which it should be relieved, but these objectionable items of expenditure, which are mainly for officers and salaries created and established by law during an era of inflation and extravagance cannot be acted on or reduced in amount by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

The appropriations so exempted by law from any discretionary power over them by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment amount to more than three-fourths of the total amount of the appropriations, and those subject to revision and correction by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment have already, in former years, been reduced in many items, leaving but a small margin in any of them for further retrenchment.

The Provisional Estimate for the year 1878 is \$2,029,347 less than the Departmental Estimates, and \$901,884.35 less than the Final Estimate for 1877, as shown by the following comparative statement:

OBJECTS AND PURPOSES.	Amount allowed in 1877.	Amount asked for in 1878.	Amount allowed in Provisional Estimate for 1878.
The Common Council.....	\$114,500 00	\$114,500 00	\$107,000 00
The Mayoralty.....	49,000 00	52,000 00	46,000 00
The Department of Finance.....	235,000 00	235,000 00	225,000 00
State Taxes.....	4,162,883 85	3,908,272 06	3,908,272 06
Interest on the City Debt.....	9,176,501 73	9,164,383 65	9,164,383 65
Redemption of the City Debt.....	1,545,467 78	1,151,530 27	1,151,530 27
Armories and Drill-rooms, Rent of.....	51,750 00	45,337 50	45,337 50
Armories and Drill-rooms, Wages of Armorer.....	15,330 00	17,520 00	17,520 00
Coroners' Post-mortem Examinations.....	2,500 00	1,000 00	1,000 00
Judgments.....	200,000 00	200,000 00	200,000 00
Rents—Leases in Force.....	73,150 00	69,425 00	69,425 00
Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, Expenses of.....	2,000 00	2,000 00	2,000 00
Real Estate Expenses.....	25,000 00	50,000 00	.....
The Law Department.....	158,000 00	158,160 00	138,000 00
The Department of Public Works.....	1,632,000 00	2,009,350 00	1,615,100 00
The Department of Public Parks.....	357,000 00	428,500 00	346,000 00
Department of Buildings.....	75,000 00	75,000 00	70,000 00
Department of Public Charities and Correction.....	1,190,000 00	1,210,238 50	1,130,000 00
Health Department.....	204,872 00	232,042 00	190,000 00
Police Department.....	4,030,175 00	4,719,345 00	3,986,145 00
Fire Department.....	1,226,670 00	1,234,870 00	1,201,550 00
Department of Taxes and Assessments.....	114,600 00	111,500 00	108,900 00
Board of Education.....	3,553,000 00	3,949,800 00	3,553,000 00
College of the City of New York.....	150,000 00	142,500 00	142,500 00
Advertising, Printing, Stationery, etc., including publication of the "City Record".....	163,500 00	169,700 00	150,000 00
Salaries—City Courts:			
Police Courts.....	150,600 00	157,200 00	150,600 00
Civil Courts.....	179,200 00	179,200 00	179,200 00
Salaries—Judiciary:			
Supreme Court.....	125,800 00	125,800 00	125,800 00
Superior Court.....	152,800 00	151,600 00	151,600 00
Court of Common Pleas.....	156,000 00	156,000 00	156,000 00
Marine Court.....	116,600 00	116,600 00	116,600 00
General Sessions and Oyer and Terminer.....	70,100 00	70,100 00	70,100 00
Special Sessions.....	23,000 00	23,000 00	23,000 00
County Clerk's Office.....	40,725 00	40,725 00	40,725 00
Surrogate's Office.....	49,000 00	54,800 00	47,000 00
District Attorney's Office, including Contingencies.....	75,000 00	81,150 00	71,000 00
Recorder's Office.....	12,000 00	12,000 00	12,000 00
City Judge's Office.....	15,000 00	15,000 00	15,000 00
Judge of Court of General Sessions.....	12,000 00	12,000 00	12,000 00
Commissioner of Jurors.....	15,000 00	15,000 00	6,000 00
Coroners' Fees.....	75,000 00	85,000 00	70,000 00
Sheriff's Fees.....	30,000 00	40,000 00	30,000 00
Disbursements and Fees of County Officers and Witnesses.....	5,000 00	5,000 00	5,000 00
Jurors' Fees—Including Expenses of Jurors in Criminal Trials.....	25,000 00	25,000 00	25,000 00
Election Expenses.....	148,850 00	137,450 00	137,450 00
Support of Prisoners in County Jail.....	15,000 00	18,000 00	15,000 00
State Tax of 1874, due by Towns Annexed from Westchester County.....	.....	83,606 15	83,606 15
Examining Old Claims and Accounts, etc.....	5,000 00	5,000 00	5,000 00
Salaries—Commissioners of Accounts and clerk hire.....	12,000 00	11,200 00	10,000 00
Asylums, Reformatories, and Charitable Institutions.....	967,694 12	1,039,327 00	956,040 50
Deduct Estimated Revenues of the General Fund.....	\$30,984,269 48	\$32,111,732 13	\$30,082,385 13
	2,500,000 00	.....	2,500,000 00
Total.....	\$28,484,269 48	.....	\$27,582,385 13

The following reasons apply only to these appropriations subject to the action of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, and which have been reduced on the Departmental Estimates, no notice being taken of those fixed and provided for by law:

The Common Council.

The Departmental Estimate is for \$114,500, the amount appropriated in 1876 and 1877. This amount has been reduced to \$107,000 in the Provisional Estimate, \$89,000 of which is for the salaries of the President of the Board and twenty-one Aldermen, as fixed by law. The reduction of \$7,500 is made, therefore, upon the items of City Contingencies, \$2,500, and \$5,000 on salaries of clerks and officers, believing that these reductions should be made.

Mayoralty.

The sum asked for in the Departmental Estimate is \$52,000, which has been reduced to \$46,000, although the amount in 1877 was \$49,000, making an actual reduction on the expenses of the Mayor's office of \$3,000, which, it is believed, can be judiciously spared from salaries and contingencies.

The Finance Department.

The Departmental Estimate calls for \$235,000 for the expense of conducting the Department, being the same amount as the appropriation for 1877, and although the appropriation for this Department has been previously cut down in a very large amount, a reduction of \$10,000 has been made on the appropriations for salaries and contingencies, and for the same reasons assigned to the Common Council and the Mayoralty.

The Law Department.

The Departmental Estimate is \$158,160, being \$160 more than the amount appropriated in 1877, and the amount now appropriated in the Provisional Estimate is \$138,000, a reduction of \$20,160 on the Departmental Estimate for the same reasons assigned previously.

The Department of Public Works.

The Departmental Estimate is \$2,009,350 against \$1,632,000 appropriated for 1877. The sum now appropriated in the Provisional Estimate is \$1,615,100, being a reduction of \$16,900 on the last year's appropriation for the Department of Public Works and \$394,250 on the Departmental Estimate for 1878.

Reductions have been made on various items of the Departmental Estimates, as follows:

Aqueduct, repairs and maintenance.....	\$15,000 00
Boulevards, roads and avenues, maintenance of.....	10,000 00
Public buildings, construction and repairs.....	5,000 00
Repairing and renewal of pipes, stop cocks, etc.....	10,000 00
Repaving, under chapter 476, Laws of 1875.....	250,000 00
Repairs and renewal of pavements.....	50,000 00
Roads and avenues and sprinkling.....	5,000 00
Repairs to armories.....	9,500 00
Salaries, Department of Public Works.....	5,250 00
Sewers, repairing and cleaning.....	5,000 00
Street improvements, for street signs, etc.....	1,500 00
Supplying water to shipping, etc.....	13,000 00
Supplies for and cleaning public offices.....	5,000 00
Ventilating, etc., the new Court-house.....	10,000 00

Total..... \$394,250 00

Reductions have been made in such items only where it is believed to be called for, to keep down the expenditures to what is really necessary for the public benefit.

No appropriations are made for "supplying water to shipping and for building purposes," and for "Ventilating, etc., the New Court-house," as it is believed that expenditures for these purposes can be dispensed with. The appropriation of \$35,000 for "Public Buildings—Construction and Repairs" has been changed in the title so as to include "Repairs to Armories."

The Department of Public Parks.

The Departmental Estimates is \$428,500 against \$357,000 for 1877, and \$346,000 is the amount now appropriated for 1878, being a reduction of \$11,000 on the appropriation for 1877 and \$82,500 on the Departmental Estimate, on the following item:

Maintenance of the Parks and Places, for all supplies and for wages of foremen, gardeners, etc., including \$20,000 for the maintenance of the Museums.....	\$45,000 00
Maintenance of streets, etc., in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, including the repair and maintenance of bridges over the Bronx river.....	17,500 00
Surveying, etc., Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards and north end of Island.....	20,000 00

Total..... \$82,500 00

These reductions upon the Departmental Estimate have been made for the reason that the amounts appropriated for all purposes are quite sufficient, it is believed, for an efficient and economical management of the Park Department, and that they will fully provide for all proper expenses of that Department, which are paid from taxation, in addition to those which are paid under provisions of law from the proceeds of bonds.

The Department of Buildings.

The Departmental Estimate is \$75,000, which is the amount of the appropriation for 1877, and the amount now appropriated is \$70,000, which is considered an ample provision for the expenses of this Department, if properly managed.

The Department of Public Charities and Correction.

The Departmental Estimate is \$1,210,238.50, against 1,190,000 appropriated for the year 1877. The amount now allowed for 1878 is \$1,130,000, being a reduction of \$80,238.50 on the Departmental Estimate on the following items:

For salaries.....	\$42,636 00
For all supplies.....	38,902 50

\$81,538 50

Less increase on appropriation for "Repairs and Alterations to Buildings"..... 1,300 00

Total..... \$80,238 50

The appropriation of \$40,000 asked for in the Departmental Estimate for "Out-door Poor," and the appropriation for the "Maintenance of Children transferred from Randall's Island" are included in the appropriation of \$800,000 "for all supplies of the Department of Public Charities and Correction."

In view of the reduced prices of provisions, it is believed that the Departmental Estimate can be reduced to the amounts appropriated in the Provisional Estimate for 1878.

The Health Department.

The Departmental Estimate is \$232,000, against \$204,872 appropriated for 1877; the amount now appropriated is \$190,000, a reduction of \$42,000 on the Departmental Estimate. This amount is considered all sufficient for the Health Department without extraordinary needs from pestilence, which may be provided for in some other manner if the city should be so unfortunate as to suffer such an affliction.

The Police Department.

The Departmental Estimate is \$4,719,345 against \$4,030,175 appropriated in 1877, and the sum now appropriated is \$3,986,145, being \$44,030 less than the appropriation for 1877, and \$733,200 less than the Departmental Estimate for 1878. Reductions are made as follows:

PURPOSES.	AMOUNT ASKED FOR.	AMOUNT ALLOWED.	REDUCTION.
For five extra Police Sergeants.....	\$8,000 00	.....	\$8,000 00
For 139 extra Patrolmen.....	166,800 00	.....	166,800 00
For two new Station Houses.....	100,000 00	.....	100,000 00
For alterations, repairs, etc.....	35,000 00	\$20,000 00	15,000 00
For Clerks, Telegraph Operators, etc.....	77,800 00	40,000 00	37,800 00
For rents of Station Houses.....	14,155 00	13,745 00	410 00
For supplies.....	87,500 00	60,000 00	27,500 00
For cleaning streets.....	1,077,640 00	700,000 00	377,640 00

Total..... \$733,200 00

No appropriations have been made on account of items for extra expenses, while they have been reduced on several items of expenditure to amounts which it is believed will be an ample allowance for the purposes and objects to which they apply.

The Fire Department.

The Departmental Estimate is \$1,234,870, against \$1,226,670 for 1877, while the sum now appropriated is \$1,201,550, being a reduction of \$33,320 on the Departmental Estimate. The reductions are as follows:

Headquarters Pay-roll—Clerks, etc.....	\$4,400 00
Telegraph Force Pay-roll.....	2,720 00
Repair Shop Pay-roll.....	5,000 00
Bureau of Combustibles Pay-roll.....	2,200 00
Bureau of Fire Marshal Pay-roll.....	800 00
Pay of Foremen, Assistant Foremen, Engineers, Firemen, etc.....	8,200 00
For Apparatus, Supplies, etc.....	10,000 00

Total..... \$33,320 00

The amounts appropriated for the various purposes of the Fire Department are considered sufficient under an economical administration, and will not affect the efficiency of this important Department.

The Department of Taxes and Assessments.

The Departmental Estimate calls for \$111,500, against \$114,600 for the year 1877, and the amount appropriated in the Provisional Estimate for 1878 is \$108,900, a reduction of \$2,600 on the items of "salaries" and "contingencies," in the Departmental Estimate, which, it is believed, can be made without detriment to the public service.

The Board of Education.

The Departmental Estimate is \$3,949,800, being \$396,800 more than the appropriation for 1877, which amounted to \$3,553,000. This sum is now allowed for 1878, and is believed to be ample for the purpose of conducting the public schools of this city, if the funds are economically and judiciously applied by the Board of Education.

Advertising, Printing, Stationery and Blank Books.

The Departmental Estimate called for \$169,700, an increase of \$6,200 on the amount appropriated for the year 1877. The amount now allowed is \$150,000, which is deemed an ample provision for this purpose.

The Police Courts.

The Departmental Estimate is \$157,200 against \$150,600 appropriated for 1877, and the same amount has been allowed for 1878, no just reason being given for an increase of the expense for this purpose.

The Surrogate's Office.

A reduction of \$7,800 has been made on the sum called for in the Departmental Estimate, the amount allowed for 1878, \$47,000, being considered sufficient for this purpose.

The District Attorney's Office.

The Departmental Estimate is \$81,150 against \$75,000 appropriated for 1877, and the sum of \$71,000 allowed for 1878 is deemed sufficient for this purpose, which is a reduction of \$10,150 on the Departmental Estimate.

The Commissioner of Jurors.

The appropriation for the salary of the Commissioner of Jurors, now fixed by law at \$15,000 per annum, is reduced to \$6,000 for the year 1878, an amount believed to be sufficient for the purpose.

Coroners' Fees.

The Departmental Estimate is \$85,000 against \$75,000 appropriated for 1877, and \$70,000 is the amount appropriated for 1878, a reduction of \$15,000, which is considered a proper retrenchment in the expense of this service.

Sheriff's Fees.

The Departmental Estimate is \$40,000 against \$30,000 appropriated for 1877, which amount is also appropriated for 1878, as it is deemed sufficient for this purpose.

Support of Prisoners in the County Jail.

The Departmental Estimate calls for \$18,000 against \$15,000 appropriated for 1877, which amount is also appropriated for 1878, for the reason that it is deemed sufficient for this purpose.

The Commissioners of Accounts.

The Departmental Estimate calls for \$11,200 against \$12,000 appropriated for 1877, and the amount now allowed is \$10,000, which is deemed to be sufficient.

Asylums, Reformatories and Charitable Institutions.

The total amount of the Estimates of the various charitable institutions of this City and State, the inmates of which are supported wholly or in part from taxation under the provisions of law imposed by special acts of the State Legislature, either by a fixed annual appropriation or a per capita daily, weekly or yearly allowance on their inmates, is \$1,039,327 against \$967,694.12 appropriated for 1877, and the sum of \$956,040.50 is now appropriated for these objects in 1878, a reduction of \$83,286.50 on the Estimates of the several Institutions.

The per capita allowance or fixed amount provided by law to be paid from taxation for the support of inmates of charitable institutions are stated, and the acts of the Legislature cited for each appropriation made to them in the Provisional Estimate, and over these fixed amounts and per capita allowances the Board of Estimate and Apportionment have no direct control or power to reduce the amounts so to be paid, but the immense increase within a few years of the amount raised by taxation in this city by the operation of special laws obtained for the benefit of different institutions through direct private influences in the Legislature, has become a matter of serious and alarming consideration. In a circular issued by the Comptroller of this city to these charitable institutions on March 20, 1877, for the purpose of checking the increase of expenditures on this account, and cautioning the officers against exceeding the amount of the several appropriations, the following language was addressed to them:

"The purposes to which these public moneys are applied are humane and beneficent charities that are, to a certain extent, necessary, but it is a question well worthy of consideration by the benevolent and philanthropic citizens who manage these institutions, whether the system of support of charitable institutions in this city, based so largely upon a per capita allowance from the public treasury, does not tend, if it do not already operate, to attract their beneficiaries from neighboring States and counties, as well as foster a spirit of dependence on charity which may aggravate rather than ameliorate the evils of pauperism and vicious habits.

"There would appear to be an urgent necessity, at least, that some measures should be adopted to check the expenditure of the public money for such objects and limit the annual addition to the burden of taxation imposed by the present system, which is out of all just and reasonable proportion to the increase of taxable property."

The magnitude of this growing evil demands early attention to check it, and will be seen at a glance, by reference to the following statement, of the rapid progress in the amounts called for, under laws, and appropriated for these purposes from 1871 to 1878, inclusive:

Years.	Amounts.
1871.....	\$336,412 23
1872.....	489,020 33
1873.....	639,550 00
1874.....	725,020 00
1875.....	825,905 00
1876.....	883,140 00
1877.....	967,694 12
1878.....	956,040 50

Returns recently obtained by the Comptroller from such charitable institutions as receive appropriations from the Excise Fund, of the actual expense of supporting their inmates per capita, show that the amounts now allowed by law, based upon the high cost of living some years ago, are now much more than is necessary with the reduced prices of many staple articles of food and clothing, and for this reason the Board of Estimate and Apportionment have been the more inclined to restrict expenditures and appropriations on this account as much as possible.

Resolved, That the foregoing reasons for the provisional estimate of the year 1878 be submitted to the Board of Aldermen, as provided by section 112, of chapter 335, of the Laws of 1873, and that they be and are hereby approved by this Board as their reasons for said estimate in detail, and that the Comptroller transmit the same to the Board of Aldermen with the said Provisional Estimate.

Adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, by the concurrent vote of all the members, on the 8th day of November, 1877.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The Board of Police met on the 9th day of November, 1877.

Present—Messrs. Smith, Wheeler, Erhardt, and Nichols, Commissioners.

Leave of Absence Granted.

Sergeant Frank B. Randall, Eighth Precinct, one-half day.
 Patrolman William H. Ahearn, Fourth Precinct, one-half day, without pay.
 " James Curry, Eleventh Precinct, three days, without pay.
 " Bernard Lamb, Twenty-second Precinct, one and one-half days, without pay.
 " George H. Dilks, Detective Squad, seven days, without pay.

Parades Approved.

Unity Club, November 2. Parade.
 United Republican Association, Eleventh Assembly District, November 2. Parade.
 Democrats of Twenty-first Assembly District, November 3. Parade.
 German Citizens of Twenty-first Assembly District, November 3. Parade.
 Tilden Light Guard, November 3. Parade.
 Leon Abbott Guard, November 5. Parade.
 Young Men's Democratic Union, November 7. Parade.
 Daniel Patterson Association, November 8. Parade.
 Eighth Assembly District Democrats, November 8. Parade.
 New York Journeymen Bakers' Society, November 3. Funeral.
 St. Aloysius Benevolent Society, November 4. Funeral.
 Ancient Order of Hibernians, No. 7, November 4. Funeral.
 Hamilton Lodge, No. 710, November 4. Funeral.
 Pioneer Lodge, F. and A. M., November 8. Funeral.
 New York City Schuetzen Corps, November 9. Funeral.
 Young Twentieth Ward Fantastics, November 25. Target excursion.
 Reports of Inspector Murray, pursuant to Rule 42, were ordered on file.

Death Reported.

Patrolman Richard Jackson, Twenty-second Precinct, at 11 A. M. 4th instant. Report of the Superintendent, pursuant to Rule 435, was ordered on file. Report of the Board of Surgeons on re-examination of Benjamin De Forest, appointed Patrolman October 17th last, was approved and ordered on file.

Resignation Accepted.

Patrolman Michael Devine, Twenty-seventh Precinct. An application of Patrolman John B. Blake, Twentieth Precinct, for three months' leave of absence, was referred to the Board of Surgeons for examination. An application of William A. Caulfield, for appointment as Doorman, was ordered on file. An application of Elizabeth Degaz, widow of late Patrolman Francis Degaz, for pension, was referred to the Committee on Rules and Discipline. A bill of Joseph H. Godwin for \$425, for rent of Thirty-fifth Precinct Station-house to November 1, was referred to the Comptroller for payment. Communication from the Health Department, transmitting copy of complaint of Henry Bergh, of the carriage of soiled clothing in street cars, was referred to the Counsel to the Board to report who are liable to arrest for violation of Health Ordinance No. 167, and the punishment. On reading report of Captain Foley, Tenth Precinct, relative to the custody of a horse and light wagon now in livery stable, it was

Resolved, That the livery bill be paid to date, and the horse and wagon sent to the Street-cleaning Stables.

Resolved, That Patrolman George W. Crout, Twelfth Precinct, be granted permission to receive \$2, expenses incurred in conveying a boy to the Catholic Rectory.

Resolved, That Patrolman Richard King, Detective Squad, be granted permission to receive a reward of \$15 (subject to the deduction under the rule), from Mr. C. E. Lane.

Resolved, That Patrolman Conners be granted permission to receive a reward of \$5 (subject to the deduction under the rule), from Leonard Jerome, for services rendered.

Resolved, That requisition be and is hereby made upon the Comptroller for the sum of \$1,995.82, to pay the following bills on account of the Bureau of Elections:

Koues & Tobey, stationery, per contract.....	\$1,726 17
Patterson Bros., irons for ballot boxes.....	1 65
Ferd. Mayer, stationery.....	8 00
Martin B. Brown, stationery.....	70 00
".....	190 00
Total.....	\$1,995 82

Resolved, That the following transfers be ordered:

Patrolman Thomas Dennin, from Twenty-first Precinct to Eastern Steamboat Squad.

" Horace Van Ranst, from Thirteenth Precinct to Western Steamboat Squad.

Captain Peter Yule, from Sixteenth Precinct to Twenty-eighth Precinct.

" Anthony J. Allaire, from Central Office to Sixteenth Precinct.

Sergeant Matthew Tuck, from Twenty-fifth Precinct to Central Office.

Resolved, That Patrolman Von Gerichten and Luerssen be allowed to receive \$15 each from the American Express Company, for detective services.

Resolved, That Patrolman Richard King be allowed to receive \$25 from S. W. Smith, for the recovery of stolen property and the conviction of the thief.

On recommendation of the Committee on Repairs and Supplies, it was

Resolved, That the following bills be and are hereby ordered to be paid by the Treasurer—all voting aye:

Thomas Brown, meals.....	\$4 75	Miller, Morrison & Co., harness dressing.....	\$7 50
Briggs & Ross, agents, carriage hire.....	35 50	" " harness dressing.....	2 75
Thomas Canary, carriage hire.....	30 50	" " horse blankets.....	18 00
T. Cassin, carriage hire.....	8 00	T. W. Morris & Co., glass.....	8 63
Clark & Wilkens, wood.....	275 62	Moore & Co., printing.....	7 00
C. D. Cunningham, keeping horse.....	30 00	N. F. Palmer, Jr., & Co., force pump.....	800 00
T. Davids & Co., ink, etc.....	34 35	" " repairs.....	350 00
F. W. Devoe & Co., oil.....	5 45	" " ".....	63 49
" " ".....	16 81	Ely S. Parker, expenses.....	12 85
John Doran, newspapers.....	9 27	Patterson Bros., hardware.....	21 27
J. A. Frazee & Co., feed.....	214 95	" " ".....	4 69
F. B. Fitzmaurice, veterinary.....	20 50	" " ".....	2 45
Thomas Fox, horse shoeing.....	6 00	" " ".....	50
" " ".....	29 00	" " ".....	30
Thomas J. Gallon, ".....	43 70	Pollock & Van Wagenen, oil.....	7 35
Gardner & Co., chair-seats.....	9 50	" " ".....	2 50
Harris Bro. & Co., wrapping-paper.....	20 40	E. Welles, Sackett & Bro., envelopes.....	58 18
Howe Bros., horseshoeing.....	45 00	" " ".....	20 90
William Johnson, cartages.....	4 00	Joseph Search, carriage hire.....	73 00
Johnson & Faulkner, leather.....	6 48	W. H. Scheiffelin & Co., oil, &c.....	6 40
Joseph King, carriage hire.....	17 75	Scovill Manufacturing Co., buttons.....	281 25
" " ".....	14 00	Alexander Stewart, postage.....	3 37
Kingsland & Co., letterbooks.....	4 50	James C. Talcott, feed.....	176 22
Captain James M. Leary, cartages.....	5 00	James M. Taylor, agent, rent.....	75 00
" J. H. McCullagh, cartages.....	2 00	Watrous & Wilson, lumber.....	22 91
John McCall, carriage hire.....	85 50	Mary A. Baker, meals.....	490 75
J. W. Mason & Co., chairs.....	33 50		
Miller, Morrison & Co., brushes, etc.....	112 72		
			\$3642 01

Judgments—Fines Imposed.

Patrolman Florence J. Sullivan, First Precinct, two days' pay.
 " Michael Flannery, First Precinct, half day's pay.
 " Samuel Finnegan, First Precinct, half day's pay.
 " Matthew Skelling, First Precinct, half day's pay.
 " William D. Terry, First Precinct, half day's pay.
 " Michael Larkin, Seventh Precinct, two days' pay.
 " John M. Matthews, Eighth Precinct, five days' pay.
 " James Moore, Eighth Precinct, two days' pay.
 " Thomas M. Clifford, Eighth Precinct, two days' pay.
 " Joseph C. Brush, Eighth Precinct, three days' pay.
 " George R. Jacobs, Eighth Precinct, two days' pay.
 " William A. Parsell, Ninth Precinct, five days' pay.
 " Michael McDonald, Ninth Precinct, five days' pay.
 " Charles Williamson, Ninth Precinct, three days' pay.
 " Percival Hull, Tenth Precinct, five days' pay.
 " Charles Dyruff, Tenth Precinct, two days' pay.
 " Charles Dyruff, Tenth Precinct, two days' pay.
 " Henry C. Gibson, Tenth Precinct, two days' pay.
 " Bernard Kane, Tenth Precinct, half day's pay.
 " John Raymond, Thirteenth Precinct, five days' pay.
 " Max Meiers, Thirteenth Precinct, one day's pay.
 " Michael Lynch, Fourteenth Precinct, five days' pay.
 " Hugh J. McGrade, Fourteenth Precinct, five days' pay.
 " William Mulcahy, Fifteenth Precinct, two days' pay.
 " William Mulcahy, Fifteenth Precinct, one day's pay.
 " Michael Conners, Sixteenth Precinct, five days' pay.
 " Thomas F. Wall, Sixteenth Precinct, five days' pay.
 " Ambrose H. Cole, Sixteenth Precinct, half day's pay.
 " George Weiss, Seventeenth Precinct, five days' pay.
 " Thomas Gleason, Seventeenth Precinct, ten days' pay.
 " Thomas Gleason, Seventeenth Precinct, five days' pay.
 " Martin Dooley, Seventeenth Precinct, three days' pay.
 " James M. Brown, Seventeenth Precinct, two days' pay.
 " Frank Hanley, Seventeenth Precinct, five days' pay.
 " James F. Nally, Nineteenth Precinct, two days' pay.
 " James S. Haft, Nineteenth Precinct, two days' pay.
 " John H. Curtin, Nineteenth Precinct, one day's pay.
 " John D. Herlihy, Twenty-first Precinct, one day's pay.
 " Edward Whalen, Twenty-first Precinct, one day's pay.
 " Peter H. Farrell, Twenty-second Precinct, fifteen days' pay.
 " Patrick McGinley, Twenty-second Precinct, two days' pay.
 " Joseph Sawyer, Twenty-third Precinct, five days' pay.
 " Charles Lenz, Twenty-third Precinct, five days' pay.
 " James Carroll, Thirty-third Precinct, one day's pay.

Reprimands.

Patrolman Martin O. Day, Tenth Precinct.
 Roundsman Thomas W. Murphy, Twelfth Precinct.
 Patrolman Henry Hurlbut, Twenty-second Precinct.

Complaints Dismissed.

Patrolman George R. Jacobs, Eighth Precinct.
 " John J. Creed, Tenth Precinct.
 " Hugh McCauley, Tenth Precinct.
 " Patrick Masterson, Tenth Precinct.
 " William J. Clark, Eleventh Precinct.
 " George Broderick, Fourteenth Precinct.
 " Bernard Meehan, Nineteenth Precinct.
 " Thomas McLaughlin, Thirtieth Precinct.
 " Thomas McLaughlin, Thirtieth Precinct.

An opinion of the Counsel to the Board, concerning a communication from Geo. W. Blunt, asking information in regard to duties of Patrolmen, was ordered on file, and a copy to be forwarded to Mr. Blunt.

Street Cleaning.

Communication from J. B. Slauson, President Central Cross Town Railroad Company, submitting bill for damages to a horse by a sweeping machine, was referred to the Committee on Street Cleaning.

Communication from the Health Department relative to dumping ashes and garbage at Avenue A and One Hundred and Fifth street, was referred to the Committee on Street Cleaning.

Communication from the Department of Charities and Correction, describing location and size of docks required on Ward's and Randall's Islands to receive street cleaning materials, was ordered on file, and a copy to be forwarded to the Department of Docks.

Resolved, That the pay-rolls of the Bureau of Street Cleaning for the month of October, 1877, amounting to \$39,027.44, as per schedule, be and are hereby ordered to be paid by the Treasurer—all voting aye:

Cartmen.....	\$22,790 95
Laborers.....	8,333 60
Stables.....	2,583 20
Dumps.....	1,673 50
Scows.....	3,646 19
	\$39,027 44

Memorandum of proposals of Captain Samuels and Wiley & Mitchell for unloading scows, was referred to the Committee on Street Cleaning.

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk be and he is hereby instructed to write to Allen Brothers of Rondout, that the Board of Police declines to pay the bill presented by them, concerning the scow "Eureka."

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk prepare and submit to this Board a form of contract and specifications, for cleaning the streets of New York, and removing the material collected, out of the city, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 677, of the Laws of 1872, with the view to letting said work for the year 1878, on contract, provided, a contract can be made on terms favorable to the city.

On recommendation of the Committee on Street Cleaning, it was

Resolved, That the following bills be and are hereby ordered to be paid by the Treasurer—all voting aye:

Edward L. Carey, coal.....	\$75 00	J. H. Jackson & Co., iron.....	\$29 12
" " ".....	75 00	" " ".....	4 63
" " ".....	75 00	" " ".....	7 08
" " ".....	75 00	W. H. Jackson, pump repairs.....	30 00
" " ".....	75 00	Owen Keegan, expenses.....	8 40
" " ".....	75 00	McArthur & Co., brooms.....	72 00
" " ".....	75 00	Pollock & Van Wagener, oil.....	40 38
" " ".....	75 00	" " ".....	7 29
" " ".....	75 00	" " bolts.....	9 91
James Cauthers, leather.....	42 50	" " nails.....	5 13
" " ".....	2 50	" " lantern.....	6 40
J. O. Dorr's Sons, oil.....	12 66	Thomas Pyne, use of scow.....	45 00
Michael Egan, ice.....	7 75	John F. Walsh, docking, etc.....	195 00
Thomas Hayes, use of scow.....	51 00		
J. H. Jackson & Co., iron.....	143 60		
" " ".....	20 94		
" " ".....	48 49		
			\$1,464 78

LAW DEPARTMENT.

The following schedules form a report of the transactions of the office of the Counsel to the Corporation for the week ending November 10, 1877.

The Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York are defendants, unless otherwise mentioned.

SCHEDULE "A."

SUITS AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS INSTITUTED.

SUPREME COURT.

In re William C. Opper—To vacate sale for non-payment of assessment for sewers in Seventy-ninth and Eighty-sixth streets.
 Catharine Dimond as Administratrix, etc., of William Dimond, deceased—Summons—money demand, \$3,485.94.
 In re Congregation Shaari Zedek—To vacate an assessment for Tenth avenue sewer, with branches.
 In re Charles Samuels, sole Executor of George Fulton, deceased—To vacate an assessment for paving Seventy-second street, between Eighth avenue and Hudson river.
 In re George W. Erskine—To vacate assessment for paving Seventy-second street, between Eighth avenue and Hudson river.
 In re Charlotte G. Weaver—To vacate assessment for paving Seventy-second street, between Eighth avenue and Hudson river.
 In re William H. Kipp—To vacate sale for non-payment of assessment for Third avenue sewer.
 In re Nathaniel Jarvis, Jr.—To vacate sale for non-payment of assessment for St. Nicholas avenue, Morningside Park, and One Hundred and Thirty-first street opening.
 In re A. B. Myer—To vacate sale for non-payment of assessment for St. Nicholas avenue, Morningside Park, and One Hundred and Thirty-first street opening.
 In re Theodore R. B. De Groot, administrator of W. H. De Groot, deceased—To vacate sales for non-payment of assessments for St. Nicholas avenue and One Hundred and Third street opening.
 In re David M. Koehler—To vacate assessment for regulating, etc., One Hundred and [Fifth] street, between Third avenue and Harlem river.
 George W. Mercer—To recover \$137 paid by mistake for Broadway widening.
 People, ex rel. The Shepherd's Fold of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York, against Daniel Jackson, Auditor of Accounts, and John Kelly, Comptroller—Application for mandamus to compel audit and payment of allowances due to relator, \$5,000 for 1875; \$5,000 for 1876, and \$2,500 up to July 1, 1877.
 Richard F. Stevens—Salary as Examiner in Finance Department and Collector City Revenue, \$738.87.
 William Edgar—Rent of premises occupied by Board of Police, \$700.
 Mary Thorndike and Cornelia L. R. Emmet—Rent of 73 West street, occupied by Board of Police, \$700.

COMMON PLEAS.

Feodore Mierson—To cancel release given by plaintiff on payment of claim, and that it be audited at the sum of \$125,000.

MARINE COURT.

John Bauman against Michael Larkin—Summons.

SCHEDULE "B."

JUDGMENTS ENTERED AND ORDERS OF THE SPECIAL AND GENERAL TERMS.

In re Henry Harvey—Order entered to vacate assessment sale.
 In re Phebe M. Van Saun—Order entered to vacate assessment sale.
 John Nesbit—Judgment entered in favor of plaintiff for \$612.93.
 In re Philip J. Jetter—Judgment for costs entered against the city for the sum of \$92.51 costs.
 In re Manhattan Club—Judgment for costs entered against the city for the sum of \$92.51 costs.
 In re Isaias Meyer—Judgment for costs entered against the city for the sum of \$92.51 costs.
 In re John Quin—Judgment for costs entered against the city for the sum of \$92.51 costs.
 In re Thomas Ginger—Judgment for costs entered against the city for the sum of \$92.51 costs.
 In re Kate B. Beloni—Order entered to reduce assessment.
 In re John Cahill—Order entered to reduce assessment.

Douglas A. Levien—Order of discontinuance entered.
James Phair—Order entered denying motion of plaintiff for reference.
Globe Printing Company—Order entered denying motion of plaintiff for reference.
Frank E. Towle—Order entered at General Term affirming judgment with costs.
Wilson Small—Order entered at General Term affirming judgment with costs.
John S. Sutphen—Order of discontinuance entered.
In re Matilda M. Swain—Order entered to vacate assessment.
People, ex rel. Augustus Miller, agst. Board of Police—Order entered denying motion to quash return.
People, ex rel. Augustus Miller, agst. Board of Police—Order entered at General Term modifying order at Special Term.
Broadway widening—Entered judgment in favor of the city on affirmance of De Peyster, appeal nunc pro tunc, as of May 17, 1872.
Henry Kupfer—Judgment entered in favor of the plaintiff for the sum of \$884.82.
John Long—Judgment entered in favor of plaintiff for \$661.04.
Jacob Wells—Judgment entered in favor of plaintiff for \$3,180.12.
George Wilkes—Order of discontinuance entered.
In re Henry A. Smith—Order to vacate assessment sale entered.
People, ex rel. George Rohde—Proceedings discontinued.
In re Jacob H. V. Cockroft—Order to vacate assessment sale entered.
In re Isaias Meyer—Order to vacate assessment sale entered.

SCHEDULE "C."

SUITS AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS TRIED OR ARGUED.

Phineas C. Kingsland—Motion finally submitted.
Louisa Maidhoff—Trial begun before Barrett, J., and a jury; plaintiff withdrew juror on payment of costs.
William Barnes—Reference proceeded.
George W. Town—Order affirmed at General Term.
Bernard F. Martin—Reversed at General Term by consent.
Broadway widening—Reference proceeded.
Mayor, etc., against Hart and Remsen—Trial begun before Van Brunt, J., without jury.
Frank E. Towle—Judgment in favor of plaintiff affirmed at General Term.
Wilson Small—Judgment in favor of plaintiff affirmed at General Term.
Alonzo Carr—Argued at General Term.
James Murray—Argued at General Term.
John McGuire—Reference proceeded.

WILLIAM C. WHITNEY,
Counsel to the Corporation.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

DAILY MEETINGS, OCTOBER 29 TO NOVEMBER 3, 1877.

Communications Received.

From Penitentiary—List of prisoners received during the week ending October 27, 1877: Males, 51; females, 20. On file.
From Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's Island—History of 12 patients received during the week ending October 27, 1877. Referred to Examining Clerk.
From the New York City Asylum for Insane, Ward's Island—History of 10 patients received during the week ending October 27, 1877. Referred to Examining Clerk.
From the City Prison—Amount of fines received during October, 1877, and paid to Comptroller, \$530. On file.
From Examination Office, Bellevue Hospital—Number of patients admitted to the Hospitals of the Department during October, 1877, 1,561. On file.
Proposals for dry goods, groceries, leather, lime, etc., opened in presence of Commissioners Brennan, Cox, and the Comptroller.
By the Board—
Resolved, That the proposals of P. McCann, to furnish and deliver 5,000 yards ticking, at 11 cents per yard; 5,000 yards cottonades, at 11½ cents per yard; 1,000 yards bleached muslin, at 9½ cents per yard; 50 pieces oiled muslin, at \$1.75 each; 10 pieces burlaps, at 7½ cents per yard; 30 horse blankets, at \$1 each.
I. M. Ingersoll, 50 pieces oiled muslin, at \$1.75 each; 25 bales white blankets, at \$2.49 per pair; 250 dozen knit shirts, at \$3.19 per dozen.
C. H. Webb, 50 bales blankets, at \$2.35 per pair.
H. K. & F. B. Thurber & Co., 30,000 pounds brown sugar, at 7 49-100 cents per pound; 1,000 pounds cheese, at 13 cents per pound; 1 cask prunes, at 8½ cents per pound.
L. I. Seaman, 1,000 pounds dried apples, at 5½ cents per pound; 5,000 pounds butter, at 18½ cents per pound.
Fitts & Austin, 25 barrels oat meal, at \$5.35 per barrel.
A. S. Pratt, 25 barrels oat meal, at \$5.35 per barrel.
A. I. D. Wedemeyer, 10 barrels pure cider vinegar, at 18 cents per gallon.
E. C. Hazard & Co., 10 barrels pure cider vinegar, at 18 cents per gallon.
R. M. Masterton, 200 bags coarse meal, at \$1.16½ per bag; 100 bags fine meal, at \$1.38 per bag.
Adams & Shaler, 50 sides sole leather, at 19 43-100 cents per lb.
Quackenbush, Townsend & Co., 250 barrels lime, at 87½ cents per barrel; 11,000 lineal feet 2-ply sheathing felt, at \$9.40 per 1,000 feet; 70 kegs nails (10d., 12d., 60d.), at \$2.44 per keg; 10 kegs (8d.) nails, at \$2.69 per keg; 6 kegs (6d.) nails, at \$2.94 per keg; 40 kegs (4d.) nails, at \$3.19 per keg; 12 kegs (40d.) nails, at \$2.44 per keg.
Charles E. Shedd, 4 boxes charcoal tin, at \$6.60 per box.
Cross, Austin & Co., all lumber as per specification for \$4,578.89.
—be accepted, and the contracts awarded to them, provided the adequacy and sufficiency of their sureties are approved of by the Comptroller of the City of New York. Adopted.

Appointments.

October 30. James O'Brien, Keeper, Work-house.
31. Margaret Fields, Nurse, Charity Hospital.
Charlotte Bottnor, Assistant Matron, Nursery Hospital.
November 1. Martha Rodgers, Nurse, Nursery Hospital.
3. Daniel McLarney, Attendant, New York City Asylum for Insane.

Resignations.

November 1. Maggie Troy, Nurse, Nursery Hospital.
3. Malachy Fallon, Attendant, New York City Asylum for Insane.

Removals.

October 31. Mary I. Ryan, Nurse, Infants' Hospital.

JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Secretary.

ORDINANCE.

AN ORDINANCE to amend section 7 of chapter XV. of the Ordinances of 1866, entitled "Of flagging and laying, and repairing sidewalks and curb and gutter stones."

The Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York do ordain as follows:

Section 1. Section 7 of the above-entitled ordinance is hereby amended, and shall read as follows:

§ 7. No sidewalk, or any part of a sidewalk laid with brick or flagging shall hereafter be taken up, or the brick or flagging removed therefrom, for any purpose whatever, in the Twenty-third or Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York, without the written permission of the President of the Department of Public Parks, or in any other part of the City of New York without the written permission of the Commissioner of Public Works, under the penalty of twenty-five dollars for every such offense; but the provisions of this section (unless such work should come within the limits of an ordinance of the Common Council) shall not apply to any person engaged in the necessary repairs of any such sidewalk, the resetting, when necessary, of any curb or gutter stones that may have become displaced, broken or sunken, or the necessary repair or alteration of any coal-slide under any such sidewalk, nor shall a permit for any such purpose be necessary.

Sec. 2. All ordinances or parts ordinances inconsistent or conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, June 19, 1877.

Approved by the Mayor, June 25, 1877.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATORY

OF THE

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

CENTRAL PARK, NEW YORK,

Latitude 40° 45' 58" N. Longitude 73° 57' 58" W. Height of Instruments above the Ground, 53 feet; above the Sea, 97 feet.

ABSTRACT OF REGISTERS FROM SELF-RECORDING INSTRUMENTS.

For the Week Ending November 3, 1877.

Barometer.

DATE.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	MEAN FOR THE DAY.	MAXIMUM.	MINIMUM.
OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER.	REDUCED TO FREEZING.	REDUCED TO FREEZING.	REDUCED TO FREEZING.	REDUCED TO FREEZING.	REDUCED TO FREEZING.	REDUCED TO FREEZING.
Sunday, 28.....	30.008	30.064	30.082	30.051	30.082	29.967
Monday, 29.....	30.010	29.885	29.897	29.931	30.078	29.897
Tuesday, 30.....	29.950	29.902	29.943	29.932	29.972	29.918
Wednesday, 31.....	29.828	29.600	29.727	29.718	29.918	29.600
Thursday, 1.....	29.896	29.907	29.952	29.918	29.975	29.781
Friday, 2.....	29.700	29.248	29.409	29.452	29.946	29.150
Saturday, 3.....	29.681	29.777	29.975	29.811	30.000	29.500

Mean for the week..... 29.830 inches.
Maximum " at 9 P. M., October 29..... 30.082 "
Minimum " at 3 P. M., November 2..... 29.150 "
Range "932 "

Thermometers.

DATE.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	MEAN.	MAXIMUM.	MINIMUM.	MAXIMUM.
OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	In Sun.
Sunday, 28	45	43	51	48	53	50	49.7
Monday, 29	56	54	69	61	64	60	58.3
Tuesday, 30	51	48	53	49	47	51.0	48.0
Wednesday, 31	45	41	52	50	43	46.6	44.3
Thursday, 1	41	39	52	45	48	44.0	42.7
Friday, 2	51	48	62	59	50	54.3	50.6
Saturday, 3	46	41	49	42	40	37.0	40.0

Dry Bulb. Wet Bulb.
Mean for the week..... 50.9 degrees..... 47.2 degrees.
Maximum for the week, at 3 P. M., 29th..... 69. " at 3 P. M., 29th..... 62. "
Minimum " " at 12 P. M., 3d..... 39. " at 12 P. M., 3d..... 35. "
Range " " 30. " 27. "

Wind.

DATE. OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER.		DIRECTION.			VELOCITY IN MILES.				FORCE IN POUNDS PER SQUARE FOOT.				
		7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	Distance for the Day.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	Max.	Time.
Sunday,	28....	W	W	SW	1	9	16	26	0	0	¼	¾	9 P. M.
Monday,	29....	SW	SW	SW	43	76	57	176	½	1	¼	3	2.50 P. M.
Tuesday,	30....	WNW	WSW	WSW	26	13	20	59	0	0	0	¾	7.30 A. M.
Wednesday,	31....	E	SE	WNW	18	36	43	97	0	0	0	2¾	3.30 P. M.
Thursday,	1....	W	NNW	NNW	42	24	3	69	0	0	0	1	7.40 A. M.
Friday,	2....	SE	SSE	W	41	129	101	271	2	4	9¾	16¾	8.15 P. M.
Saturday,	3....	W	W	W	136	104	87	327	3½	3½	¾	10½	0.50 P. M.

Distance traveled during the week..... 1025 miles.
Maximum force " " 16¾ pounds.

DATE. OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER.	Hygrometer.						Clouds.			Rain and Snow.					
	FORCE OF VAPOR.			RELATIVE HUMIDITY.			CLEAR, O. OVERCAST, 10.			DEPTH OF RAIN AND SNOW IN INCHES.					
	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	Time of Beginning.	Time of Ending.	Duration. H. M.	Amount of Water.	Depth of Snow.	
Sunday,	28	.251	.296	.321	84	79	80	Hazy 10	Hazy 10	Hazy 10	....	....	...	..	..
Monday,	29	.391	.430	.465	87	61	78	5 Cir. Cu. 10	5 Cir. Cu. 10	5 Cir. 10	....	....	...	..	..
Tuesday,	30	.296	.295	.297	79	73	85	7 Cir. Cu.	10	3 Cir.	9 A. M.	11 A. M.	2 00	.03	..
Wednesday,	31	.205	.334	.254	68	86	92	10	10	3 Cir.	1 P. M.	4 P. M.	3 00	.37	..
Thursday,	1	.212	.207	.236	82	54	70	0	0	Hazy 7 Cir.	....	....	...	..	..
Friday,	2	.296	.460	.234	79	83	65	0	10	0	6.30 A. M.	6 P. M.	11 30	.92	..
Saturday,	3	.192	.175	.181	62	50	73	10	3 Cu.	0	....	....	...	..	..

Total amount of water for the week..... 1.32 inches.

DANIEL DRAPER, Director.

JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST.,
NEW YORK, November 9, 1877.

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

At New York City Asylum for Insane, Ward's Island—Thomas Burns; aged 26 years; 5 feet 6 inches high; hazel eyes; brown hair. Had on when admitted, dark mixed coat and pants, hickory shirt. Nothing known of his friends or relatives.

By Order,

JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST.,
NEW YORK, November 7, 1877.

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

At Homoeopathic Hospital, Ward's Island, November 5, 1877—Paul Morris; aged 80 years; 5 feet 6 inches high; blue eyes; white hair. Had on when admitted, blue coat, dark pants, brogan shoes. Nothing known of his friends or relatives.

At Branch Lunatic Asylum, Hart's Island—Sarah McLoughlin; aged 56 years; 5 feet 1 inch high; blue eyes; gray hair. Nothing known of her friends or relatives.

By Order,

JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST.,
NEW YORK, November 8, 1877.

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

At Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's Island, November 4, 1877—Margaret Gross; aged 26 years; 5 feet 3 inches high; dark brown eyes and hair. Admitted October 12, 1870. Nothing known of her friends or relatives.

At Idiot Asylum, Randall's Island—Bridget Higgins; aged 22 years. Admitted June 25, 1875. Nothing known of her friends or relatives.

By Order,

JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST.,
NEW YORK, November 5, 1877.

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

At Homoeopathic Hospital, Ward's Island, October 31, 1877—Maria Weston; aged 27 years; 5 feet 4 inches high; black eyes and hair. Had on when admitted, black skirt, striped shawl, brown skirt and waist, laced shoes. Nothing known of her friends or relatives.

At Morgue, Bellevue, Hospital, November 2, 1877, from Coenties Slip—Unknown man; aged about 35 years; 5 feet 6 inches high; sandy hair mixed with gray; full beard and moustache. Had on black coat, mixed vest, brown check pants, blue striped cotton shirt with blue dots, white socks, low shoes with buckles. On his person was found letter addressed to Patrick McGlave by E. G. McGlave, Stamford, Conn.

Unknown man, from Pier 38, East river; aged about 35 years; 5 feet 8 inches high; dark brown hair and moustache. Had on dark striped cotton pants, red flannel shirt and drawers, white shirt, brown mixed cotton socks.

By Order,

JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST.,
NEW YORK, November 2, 1877.

PROPOSALS FOR GROCERIES, HARDWARE, ETC.

PROPOSALS, SEALED AND INDORSED AS above, will be received by the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, at their office, until 9 o'clock A. M., of Friday, November 16, 1877, at which time they will be publicly opened and read by the head of said Department, for furnishing and delivering, at the foot of East twenty-sixth street, free of all expense to the Department—

- 2,500 pounds Coffee Sugar.
- 50 barrels Soda Crackers, barrels to be returned.
- 50 barrels Pickles, 2,000 to the barrel.
- 5,000 pounds good sweet Dairy Butter, to be delivered in quantities as required.
- 1,000 barrels good sound Irish Potatoes, to weigh 168 pounds to the barrel net; to be delivered at Store-house Dock, Blackwell's Island.
- 250 bales Long Bright Rye Straw, to be delivered in quantities as required.
- 20 gross Table Spoons.
- 20 bundles No. 22 Com. Sheet Iron.
- 10 bundles No. 24 R. G. Iron.
- 20 boxes XX best Charcoal Tin, 14 x 20.
- 250 Rubber Blankets.

The quality of the goods furnished must conform in every respect to the samples of the above to be seen at this office.

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 the estimated amount of fifty per cent. 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 surety required. The sufficiency of such security to be approved by the Comptroller.

The Department of Public Charities and Correction reserve the right to decline any and all proposals if deemed to be for the public interest, and to accept an offer for the whole bid or for any single article included in the proposal, and no proposal 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 defaulter, as security or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

Blank forms of proposals and specifications, which are to be strictly complied with, can be obtained on application at the office of the Department, and all information furnished.

THOMAS S. BRENNAN,
ISAAC H. BAILEY,
TOWNSEND COX,
Commissioners.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

SALE OF FERRY FRANCHISES.

THE FRANCHISES TO RUN THE FOLLOWING ferries and a lease of the wharf property belonging to the city, if any, set apart for ferry purposes at each of said ferries, will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, at the office of the Comptroller of the City of New York, on Thursday, November 8, 1877, at 12 o'clock, noon, for the period of five years from November 1, 1877, except as otherwise stated:

Ferry from Peck Slip, New York City, to the foot of One Hundred and Thirtieth street at Third avenue, Harlem, with an intermediate landing at or near Eighty-fourth street, East river.

Ferry from Fulton Market slip, New York City, to Mott Haven, with an intermediate landing at or near Eighty-fourth street, East river, until May 1, 1879.

Ferry as now established from foot of Roosevelt street, in the City of New York, East river, to South Seventh street, Brooklyn, Eastern District, together with the bulkheads and slips adjacent to and east of the wharf property at foot of Roosevelt street, East river, owned by the Bridge Company, and now occupied for said ferry.

Bidders must bid for the franchise and lease of wharf property of each ferry separately, but no bid will be received unless it includes an offer for both the ferry franchise and wharf property.

The form of the lease required to be executed by the highest bidder can be seen at the office of the Comptroller.

All bids will be regarded as made with reference to said form of lease, and in case the highest bidder shall neglect to execute a lease according to said form, for ten days after said sale, his bid will, at the option of the Comptroller and the Board of the Department of Docks, be rejected.

The leases will contain a covenant requiring the lessees to pay rent quarter-yearly to the Comptroller.

The minimum rate for which the ferry franchise or license to operate such ferries shall be used or enjoyed has been appraised and set by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund at five per cent. per annum upon the gross receipts for ferriage collected at the New York landing-place for the ferry as now established from the foot of Roosevelt street, New York, to South Seventh street, Brooklyn, and at two and one-half per cent. per annum upon the gross receipts collected for ferriage for the ferry from Peck Slip, New York, to the foot of One Hundred and Thirtieth street, Third avenue, Harlem; and from Fulton Market slip, New York, to Mott Haven, such percentage to be paid quarter-yearly to the Corporation, and a covenant will be contained in each lease requiring the lessees to make and deliver to the Comptroller of the City of New York, quarter-yearly, a statement in writing, verified by oath or affirmation of the lessee, or of such proper officer of the lessee as may be designated by the Comptroller, of the actual total gross receipts for ferriage received by such lessee during the preceding three months, and also, that the lessee shall keep regular books of account, showing the daily gross receipts of the ferry leased, and allow said Comptroller, or any person designated by him, to examine such books.

The franchise will be put up and knocked down to the person offering to pay the largest percentage.

All moneys received for the conveyance of passengers, animals, vehicles or freight from New York to be collected at the landing place in New York, or, if collected elsewhere, to be included in the receipts upon which such percentage is to be calculated and paid.

No bid less than such percentage on such gross receipts will be entertained.

The successful bidder will be required to pay to the Collector of City Revenue the sum of fifteen hundred dollars immediately after the franchise shall have been struck down to him, as security for the execution and performance of the lease, such amount to be credited on the rent when the same becomes due.

Security, satisfactory to the Comptroller, will be required for the punctual performance by the lessees of the covenants of the lease of the franchise in their behalf.

Each purchaser of a lease will be required, at the time of the sale, and in addition to the auctioneer's fees, to pay to the Department of Docks twenty-five per cent. of the amount of the annual rent bid for the wharf property, as security for the execution of the lease, and which twenty-five per cent. will be applied to the payment of the rent for such property first accruing under the lease, when executed, or forfeited if the lessee neglects or refuses to execute the lease and bond after being duly notified that the lease is prepared and ready for signature, or, in case the bid is finally rejected, will be returned to the bidder.

Lessees will be required to pay their rent for the wharf property quarterly, in advance, in compliance with a stipulation therefor in the form of the lease adopted.

The franchise and the lease of the wharf property, if any, of each ferry will be put up and sold together to the highest bidder, subject to the condition hereinafter expressed, and subject also to the right of the Comptroller and the Board of the Department of Docks to reject any or all bids, if deemed to be for the interest of the city.

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

By order of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

JOHN KELLY,

Comptroller;
JACOB A. WESTERVELT,
HENRY F. DIMOCK,
JACOB VANDERPOEL,
Board of Department of Docks.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, November 1, 1877.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, November 15, 1877, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the same place.

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Security, satisfactory to the Comptroller, will be required for the punctual performance by the lessees of the covenants of the lease of the franchise in their behalf.

The minimum price for which the lease of said wharf property connected with the ferry from Ninety-second street, East river, to Astoria, Long Island, will be sold, has been fixed by the Board of the Department of Docks at the following sum, namely:

For bulkhead at foot of Ninety-second street, East river, and for premises at foot of Fulton street, Astoria, as now occupied for ferry purposes, at \$250 per annum.

The premises at Cortlandt Street Ferry and those connected with the ferry from Ninety-second street, East river, to Astoria, L. I., to be taken in the condition in which they were in on the 1st day of August, 1877, and all repairs and rebuilding thereof, and dredging at any of the ferries, during the term leased, to be done at the expense and cost of the lessees.

Each purchaser of a lease will be required, at the time of the sale, and in addition to the auctioneer's fees, to pay to the Department of Docks twenty-five per cent. of the amount of the annual rent bid for the wharf property, as security for the execution of the lease, and which twenty-five per cent. will be applied to the payment of the rent for such property first accruing under the lease, when executed, or forfeited if the lessee neglects or refuses to execute the lease and bond after being duly notified that the lease is prepared and ready for signature, or, in case the bid is finally rejected, will be returned to the bidder.

Lessees will be required to pay their rent for the wharf property quarterly, in advance, in compliance with a stipulation therefor in the form of the lease adopted.

The franchise and the lease of the wharf property, if any, of each ferry will be put up and sold together to the highest bidder, subject to the condition hereinafter expressed, and subject also to the right of the Comptroller and the Board of the Department of Docks to reject any or all bids, if deemed to be for the interest of the city.

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

By order of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

Dated New York, October 20, 1877.

JOHN KELLY,

Comptroller;
JACOB A. WESTERVELT,
HENRY F. DIMOCK,
JACOB VANDERPOEL,
Board of Department of Docks.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, November 8, 1877, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the same place.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, October 25, 1877.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, November 15, 1877, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the same place.

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