

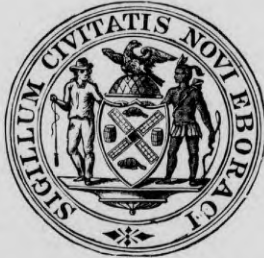
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COMMISSIONERS OF THE SINKING FUND OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

*Proceedings of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund at a Meeting held at the Mayor's Office,
at 12 o'clock M., Thursday, June 14, 1888.*

Present—Abram S. Hewitt, Mayor; Frederick Smyth, Recorder; Theodore W. Myers,
Comptroller, and William M. Ivins, Chamberlain.

Absent—Patrick Divver, Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Board of Aldermen.

The minutes of the meeting held May 28 were read and approved.

The Comptroller presented the following report:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
June 14, 1888.

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

GENTLEMEN—The Comptroller, to whom was referred, on February 16, 1888, a petition of
Hon. Smith Ely, Jr., for a reduction of the price fixed by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund in
a resolution adopted December 1, 1887, for a release of a gore of land on Manhattan and One
Hundred and Thirtieth streets, respectfully submits the following

REPORT:

After several interviews with Mr. Ely on this matter, he finally agreed to pay the sum of \$1,500
which had been fixed by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund for a release from the City of the
land in question, and a satisfactory settlement has been made in accordance with the terms of the
resolution granting the release.

Respectfully,

THEO. W. MYERS, Comptroller.

Which was accepted and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

The Comptroller presented the following application of the Commissioner of Public Works for
a lease of a berth for a public bath on East river:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
NO. 31 CHAMBERS STREET,
NEW YORK, May 29, 1888.

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

SIR—For a number of seasons past, since one of the public baths has been located at the foot
of Nineteenth street, East river, the Department has been compelled to pay for wharfage for the
bath to H. D. and J. U. Brookman, at the rate of \$210 per month. The location is desirable and
convenient, and no other proper location can be obtained in that vicinity. I, therefore, respectfully
request that the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund authorize the renewal of the lease for the bathing
season of 1888 of a berth for a public bath at the dock foot of East Nineteenth street, from H. D.
and J. U. Brookman, at the rate of \$210 per month, payable monthly, and payment to be made for
the time only when the bath is actually in its position.

Very respectfully,

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

And submitted the following report and resolution:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
June 14, 1888.

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

GENTLEMEN—Herewith I present an application of the Commissioner of Public Works for a
lease of the dock foot of East Nineteenth street, for a public bath, for the present season, and submit a
resolution to authorize a lease thereof at the same rental heretofore paid, which is considered fair
and reasonable.

Respectfully,

THEO. W. MYERS, Comptroller.

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be requested to prepare a lease to the City from
H. D. and J. U. Brookman, of wharfage space at the foot of East Nineteenth street, to be occu-
pied by a public bath during the bathing season of the present year, at the rate of two hundred and ten
dollars (\$210) per month, payable monthly, and payment to be made for the time only when the
bath is actually in its position at the dock; the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund deeming the
rent fair and reasonable and that it would be for the interest of the City that such lease should be
made; and the Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to execute such lease when prepared
and approved by the Counsel to the Corporation, as provided by sections 123 and 181 of the New
York City Consolidation Act of 1882.

The report was accepted and the resolution unanimously adopted.

The Comptroller presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay from the
Sinking Fund for the Redemption of the City Debt, the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars
(\$75,000) for the redemption of Seven per cent. City Cemetery Stock, due August 1, 1888, and
payable originally from taxation, under chapter 177, Laws of 1888.

Which was unanimously adopted.

The Comptroller presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant for five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000), payable from the
Sinking Fund for the Payment of Interest on the City Debt, be drawn in favor of the Chamberlain
for deposit to the credit of the Sinking Fund for the Redemption of the City Debt, transferring this
amount of surplus revenue of the Interest Fund to the Redemption Fund, pursuant of section 172,
New York City Consolidation Act of 1882.

Which was unanimously adopted.

CERTIFICATE.

I hereby certify that the cash balance in the City Treasury to credit of the Sinking
Fund for the Payment of Interest on the City Debt, at close of business, June 13

instant, was..... \$555,264 14
That the next interest dividend payable therefrom is due August 1, proximo, and in
amount..... 4,506 50

Leaving a surplus of..... \$550,757 64

New York, June 13, 1888.

I. S. BARRETT, General Bookkeeper.

The Comptroller presented the following communication from the Secretary of the Armory
Board:

ARMORY BOARD, CITY HALL,
CITY OF NEW YORK, June 12, 1888.

To Honorable Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, New York City:

GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the Armory Board, held at the office of his Honor the Mayor,
in the City Hall, at 3 P. M., June 11, the following business was enacted:

The following resolution was unanimously passed:

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund are hereby requested to concur in the
payment to J. R. Thomas, the architect for the Eighth Regiment Armory, the sum of \$4,267.35, on
account of his fees, and that a voucher for the amount be forwarded for such payment.

M. COLEMAN, Secretary.

And offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That, as requested by the Armory Board, the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund
do hereby concur in the payment to J. R. Thomas, of the sum of four thousand two hundred and
sixty-seven dollars and thirty-five cents (\$4,267.35), on account of his fees as architect of the Eighth
Regiment Armory, in pursuance of section 9, chapter 412 of the Laws of 1886.

Which was unanimously adopted.

The Comptroller presented the following communication from the Secretary of the Armory
Board:

ARMORY BOARD, CITY HALL,
CITY OF NEW YORK, June 12, 1888.

Hon. THEODORE W. MYERS, Comptroller:

SIR—The work on the Eighth Regiment Armory is now under contract since February 9,
and the work is so far progressed that this Board has passed a payment of \$6,848.87 to the con-
tractor, and one of \$4,267.35 to the architect, which, when paid, will leave less than \$40,000 to
the credit of the "Armory Fund." This and possibly more will be required to meet accruing pay-
ments the coming sixty days. It is therefore recommended that sufficient bonds be sold to provide
a sum which, together with that now to the credit of the "Armory Fund," will make \$300,000, the
sum appropriated to that armory.

Respectfully,

M. COLEMAN, Secretary.

And offered the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, The Armory Board has requested a transfer from the "General Armory Fund" of the
sum of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000), for expenditures on account of the construction of the
Eighth Regiment Armory;

Resolved, That the sum of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) be and is hereby authorized to be
applied out of the fund entitled "General Armory Fund," for such purpose, and that the amount
be deducted from the sum of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) Consolidated Stock of the
City of New York, authorized by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund on April 20, 1887, to be
issued for the Eighth Regiment, N. G. S. N. Y.

Which were unanimously adopted.

The Comptroller presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn for the sum of seventy-seven dollars and ninety cents
(\$77.90), payable from the appropriation "Real Estate, Expenses of," for 1888, to the order of
Henry R. Beekman, Counsel to the Corporation, for disbursements for searches of title in the matter
of the purchase of property on the southerly side of One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, three
hundred feet east of Tenth avenue, for Police Department, as per bill rendered.

Which was unanimously adopted.

The Comptroller presented the following applications for a return of Croton water rents paid
in error:

Applications have been made as per statement herewith, for the refund of Croton water rent
paid in error. The applications are severally approved by Commissioner of Public Works,
Receiver of Taxes and Clerk of Arrears, and the amount so paid as per statement, four hundred and
sixty-eight dollars and seventy cents (\$468.70), has been deposited in the City Treasury to credit of
the Sinking Fund for the Payment of Interest on the City Debt.

ISAAC S. BARRETT, General Bookkeeper.

Water Register—Refunds.

Strong & Cadwalader, agents.....	\$15 00
Edward G. Tinker, Henry C. Tinker, attorney.....	12 70
George W. Matsell, Jr., agent.....	10 40
Edward P. Steers.....	70 00
Myer Eisenberg.....	5 00
Thomas Kennedy.....	10 00
John Martin.....	3 75
J. N. Laurence.....	55 00
David Hall.....	7 50
Magnus Gross, Jr.....	12 00
Consolidated Gas Co., Harrison E. Gawtry, treasurer.....	23 00
Cornelius O'Reilly.....	9 00
John M. Burke.....	13 00
J. Edgar Leaycraft, agent.....	20 50
William F. Kubler.....	8 00
E. Ellery Anderson, agent.....	23 00
J. Albert Lane, attorney.....	13 00
Patrick McManus.....	7 80
Patrick Norton.....	20 90
P. Ferrigan.....	7 00
Henry R. King, agent.....	50 75
Leo Pinner.....	14 00
Adeline Perry.....	27 00

\$444 30

<i>Receiver of Taxes—Refund.</i>	
James Finnegan.....	\$8 05
<i>Clerk of Arrears—Refund.</i>	
Herman Vogel.....	16 35
Total.....	\$468 70

And offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant payable from the Sinking Fund for the Payment of Interest on the City Debt, be drawn in favor of the Chamberlain, for the sum of four hundred and sixty-eight dollars and seventy cents (\$468.70), for deposit in the City Treasury to credit of "Croton Water Rent—Refunding Account" for refunding erroneous payments of Croton water rent, as per statement herewith.

Which was unanimously adopted.

The Comptroller presented the following report upon the petition of George W. Quintard and George E. Weed, assignees of John Roach, deceased, for a release from a covenant for the repair of street pavement contained in a grant for lands under water on the East river, between Ninth and Tenth streets, made to Nicholas W. Stuyvesant in the year 1824, together with an appraisement of the Comptroller and the Commissioner of Public Works fixing the amount to be paid for the release, and a resolution to authorize the same, and also opinions of the Counsel to the Corporation on the questions involved in the release of such covenants of water grants:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
June 14, 1888.

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

GENTLEMEN—I desire to call your attention to the petition of George W. Quintard and George E. Weed for a release from the general covenants of the water grant to Nicholas W. Stuyvesant, which was referred to me for report at the meeting of February 16, 1888, and in connection therewith to bring to your consideration the whole subject, as presenting a problem which calls for a practical solution.

In weighing the petition referred to, I have carefully gone over the whole grounds, drawing for information, advice and suggestion, upon the Counsel to the Corporation, the Commissioner of Public Works, the Collector of City Revenue, and others who are brought into contact with the question in various ways, and hence regard it from various points of view.

From the position of the Comptroller, concerned chiefly with conserving the property and developing the revenues of the City, two things prominently appear:

First—That the covenants in the grants from which release is sought, belong to an old order of things, which cannot be too soon discarded; and

Second—That these covenants nevertheless remain as an incumbrance upon private property, for relief from which private owners ought to pay and are willing to pay.

Wherefore the conclusion would seem to be readily reached that the City should afford relief to property-owners by wiping out the clouds on title which arise from these water grant covenants, and at the same time add to its Treasury by exacting a fair sum in commutation of the canceled obligations.

As to the consideration which should be fixed for the granting of such a release, I desire to say: While it may be conceded that from the point of view occupied by the City sixty or a hundred years ago, the policy underlying these water grants seemed wise, it is quite obvious to-day that the water-frontage has been given away with a far too liberal hand; that the City has stripped itself of properties which are not only of great value in themselves, but of almost incalculable importance in connection with municipal control and regulation of ferries, and of our shipping interests. This being so, and the City being compelled to repair the errors of its past generosity by costly measures, the least that it can seek, in justice to itself, from these water grants, is a full payment and discharge of all the considerations therein named. Such full payment and discharge it has not strictly enforced in the past. On the contrary, there have been periods during which even the collection of the quit rents reserved was only loosely pressed (as shown on the books of the Bureau of City Revenue) while it is patent also that in the majority of cases the covenants as to the building and repair of streets have been of only nominal value. There is no good reason for the continuance of a lax policy in regard to these properties. The question of the collection of the rents has been practically settled. There remains the question of the general covenants.

It is true that back of those covenants is an idea of municipal administration which this City has far outgrown. The building and repair of streets by individuals is a relic of primitive methods, unsuitable to present conditions. But nevertheless those covenants meant something and still stand for something.

And on this point I would quote from the very able report made (December 19, 1887) in this matter by the Hon. Henry R. Beekman at the time he was President of the Board of Aldermen:

"The method originally devised of compelling the abutting owners to take charge of these streets was no doubt, in its early application, found to work satisfactorily, but with the subsequent subdivision of these large grants into numerous ownerships it has become cumbersome beyond management.

"As we all know the result has been that for many years past the City authorities have kept these streets in repair at the general expense, and the property-owners have enjoyed immunity from the performance of the obligations upon which the tenure of their property depends."

Certainly there is neither good policy as a matter of government nor sound equity as a matter of relationship between the favored property-owners and the general taxpayers in allowing this state of things to continue.

It is argued that the covenant as to the repair of streets only brings water-grant properties under the law which would cover them in any case, viz.: The law under which the cost of street repairs is defrayed by taxation. In other words, under the present system, brought about by the progressive needs of a great city, the municipality itself performs the work contemplated in these covenants, and hence, it is argued, the covenants have become nil. Upon this point Mr. Beekman says:

"It is obvious that the present system must continue out with a due regard to the interests of the general public, who have a right to expect that when a right is surrendered which formed an element of the consideration upon a conveyance of the public lands, adequate compensation should be made to the City." That, as it seems to me, is the whole case. The covenants comprised a part of the original consideration; if they are to be abrogated, let the gainers pay a fair compensation.

As the question now comes before you the covenants in the Stuyvesant grant are discovered as creating an indefinite sort of lien. They cloud the title. They operate as a bar to the free sale of the property. Application is made for a release from these covenants. It would seem that the granting of such a release is proper, inasmuch as the City has outgrown the methods of street building and repairing by private parties, and does not desire that the covenants should be literally enforced. But a release should be given only for a fair money consideration, since the covenants stood in the place of a money consideration when the grants were made. Because conditions have so changed that a literal adherence to the covenants is no longer desirable is no reason why a release from them should be given as a favor.

In determining what would be, in this case, a fair money consideration, I have pursued the method heretofore suggested. Gen. Newton furnished to Comptroller Loew an estimate of the cost of making and maintaining a pavement in front of a twenty-five foot lot, as follows:

25 x 15, forty-one and two-thirds square yards of pavement, at \$2.50 per square yard.....	\$104 16
Relaying three times, at 45 cents.....	56 25
Total.....	\$160 41

Regarding twenty-two years as an average duration for such a pavement, Gen. Newton found \$7.29 to be the annual charge for the construction and maintenance of the same.

I have now obtained from the Department of Public Works an estimate of the cost of laying and maintaining a flagging in front of a twenty-five foot lot, viz.:

25 x 15, three hundred and seventy-five square feet, at 30 cents.....	\$112 50
Curb, twenty-five feet, at 65 cents.....	16 25
Relaying three hundred and seventy-five square feet, at 5 cents.....	18 75
Total.....	\$147 50

Taking the duration in this case as thirty-one years, the annual charge will be \$4.71.

Treating these two annual charges as in the nature of quit-rent to be commuted, we may commute at three per cent.:

Commutation of \$7.29.....	\$243 00
Commutation of \$4.71.....	157 00
Total.....	\$400 00
To this add for a general release.....	100 00
Total.....	\$500 00

This seems to me a fair and reasonable amount to be paid for the release. In showing the methods by which the estimate has been reached I do not wish to be understood as recommending that the items shall be so stated in any release which it may be deemed wise to give. The Corporation Counsel will, of course, simply take the total as the consideration to be named in the instrument which he will cause to be drawn.

I have been thus full in discussing the matter of the Quintard and Weed petition because of the great importance of the whole subject; and I desire in conclusion to strongly recommend the granting of that petition, not merely for its own merit, but in order to establish a precedent under which this whole matter of the water-grants and the complications arising under them may be readily and equitably disposed of.

The demand for relief from needless clouds on title is a fair one. It ought to be granted to a property-owner, where practicable, as a matter of justice and of good government. And when it can be granted in such a way that so far from canceling any obligations due the City, such obligation is actually saved from becoming obsolete, is revived and made a source of just revenues to the City, then it would surely seem that no proper means should be spared of reaching the desired end.

I would, therefore, recommend that in response to the petition of Messrs. Quintard and Weed, releases be granted for the lots in question at the rate of compensation herein named, \$500 for a lot of twenty-five feet front.

Respectfully,

THEO. W. MYERS, Comptroller.
CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
June 12, 1888.

APPRAISEMENT.

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

GENTLEMEN—The undersigned, the Comptroller and the Commissioner of Public Works, under the advice of the Counsel to the Corporation, dated December 29, 1887, have examined and inquired into the facts concerning the petition to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of George W. Quintard and George E. Weed, assignees of John Roach, deceased, for a release from the covenant for keeping the streets in repair in front of the premises granted to Nicholas W. Stuyvesant, in the year 1824, and situate between Avenue D and the East river, and Ninth and Tenth streets, in the City of New York; and they respectfully report that, in their judgment, upon a consideration of the facts in the case, and calculations based upon the cost of maintaining street pavements and sidewalks, according to the knowledge and experience of the Department of Public Works, a fair and equitable charge to be paid by the said petitioners for a release from said covenant is, for each and every city lot of a frontage of twenty-five feet, which may be so released, the sum of \$500, and at that rate for fractional parts of a lot, the said charge being for one-half the width of the street, including the sidewalk opposite the said premises.

THEO. W. MYERS, Comptroller.
D. LOWBER SMITH,
Deputy and Acting Commissioner of Public Works.

RESOLUTION.

Whereas, The assignees of John Roach, deceased, having heretofore presented their petition, and also their oral application by counsel to this Board, praying for the release and discharge of certain lands lying between Ninth and Tenth streets and Avenue D, and Mangin street, from the covenants contained in the grant made by the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to Nicholas William Stuyvesant in the year 1824, which covenants, in substance, required the grantee and his assigns to build, uphold, maintain and keep in repair, certain portions of the premises thereby granted as public streets or bulkheads, as follows, to wit:

1. Nine lots on Tenth street, conveyed to Hagemeyer.
 2. An irregular parcel conveyed to Rowland, east of and adjoining original high-water mark, comprising about two lots.
 3. Four lots on Tenth street, between Hagemeyer and Rowland purchase.
- The property intended being shown on the diagram filed with the said petition.
- And the said assignees of said John Roach, deceased, having proffered and agreed to pay such just and equitable sum of money in commutation of the duties required by such covenants as would fairly indemnify the City; and said sum having been ascertained to be \$500 for each city lot twenty-five (25) feet in width:

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund do hereby authorize and direct the execution to the said assignees of said John Roach, deceased, and to George Hagemeyer and William Rowland, grantees of the said assignees, full releases in due form of law forever releasing and discharging the premises aforesaid from the lien, charge or incumbrance of all the covenants and reservations in the aforesaid grant, in such wise that the said premises shall thereafter be free, clear and forever discharged from any covenant or reservation in the said grant contained; provided, however, that upon the execution and delivery of such release the said assignees, or their assigns shall pay to the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, the sum of \$500 for each and every city lot of a frontage of twenty-five (25) feet which may be so released, and at that rate for fractional parts of a lot; and also provided that said assignees shall at the time of taking said releases, enter into an agreement to pay for and take a like release of all the remaining premises contained in said grant and lying west of the west line of Mangin street, at the same rate of compensation, with interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum on the amount thereof, from the date of said releases and within one year thereafter;

And further provided, That the said assignees who are the owners of all the remaining part of the land granted by said grant to Nicholas W. Stuyvesant shall make and enter into an agreement, to be contained in the releases above provided for, with a condition that said remaining part shall continue subject to the covenants of the said grant, unaffected by the release of said released premises; the said releases to be drawn and approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation, and to be duly executed, and the execution thereof acknowledged or proved; subject, however, to the conditions of approval and concurrence of the Common Council, as suggested by the Counsel to the Corporation in a communication to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, dated December 29, 1887, and according to the terms therein prescribed and accepted by the petitioners in their petition presented to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund February 16, 1888; and the Commissioners hereby recommend the approval and concurrence of the Common Council by a proper resolution in the premises.

OPINIONS.

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, March 16, 1888.

Hon. THEODORE W. MYERS, *Comptroller*:

SIR—I am in receipt of your communication of the 17th ultimo, enclosing copy of a petition presented to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund at a meeting held February 16, 1888, by George W. Quintard and George E. Weed, assignees of John Roach, praying for a release from the covenant for keeping the streets in repair in front of the premises granted to Nicholas W. Stuyvesant in the year 1824, and situated between Avenue D and the East river, and Ninth and Tenth streets.

You state that this petition was referred by the Sinking Fund Commission to the Counsel to the Corporation for his opinion whether the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund can entertain and grant the prayer of the petitioners with reference to the suggestions of the course to be pursued for that purpose made by my predecessor, Judge O'Brien, in his opinion upon this matter, dated December 29, 1887.

I have given this matter a great deal of consideration, and have had several interviews upon the subject with Mr. James R. Cuming, one of the attorneys for the assignees of John Roach. This same matter was the subject of consideration by the Sinking Fund Commissioners upon a similar petition presented to them last year. A reference to the minutes of the meeting of the Sinking Fund Commission, held on December 1, will show the report of your predecessor upon the matter, giving a copy of the petition of the assignees, and a report from the Commissioner of Public Works, suggesting the rule which should be adopted in capitalizing the average annual expense of keeping the streets referred to in the petition in repair. The matter was, at that meeting, referred to the Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Board of Aldermen, whose report upon the subject will be found in the minutes of the meeting of the Sinking Fund Commissioners held on the 19th of December, 1887. It is now suggested by Mr. Cuming, on behalf of the assignees of John Roach, that the City release and discharge the land between high-water mark and the westerly side of Mangin street, the northerly side of Ninth street and the southerly side of Tenth street, from all the conditions contained in the grant, upon the payment of such sum of money as may be determined to be a fair, reasonable and just compensation therefor, leaving all that portion of the premises covered by the water grant, bounded by the westerly side of Mangin street, the easterly side of Tompkins street, the northerly side of Ninth street and the southerly side of Tenth street, still affected by these covenants and conditions.

As the property now stands, the present line of filling does not extend beyond a line lying within the limits of Mangin street. Upon the construction by the property-owners of Mangin street, Tompkins street, Ninth street and Tenth street, they will, under the terms of the grant, be entitled to wharfage and other bulkhead rights along the easterly line of Tompkins street. They may not, however, fill in this space or construct any of these streets without authority so to do from the City, and they are bound, when directed by the City so to do, to construct and build these streets, and to keep them in repair. If the release asked for is granted, the effect of it will be that the City, in case of failure by the property-owners to construct these streets at their own expense, can only forfeit and regain possession of the piece of land between Mangin street, Tompkins street, Ninth street and Tenth street. Whether this property and the bulkhead rights along the easterly side of Tompkins street would be of sufficient value to compensate the City for the expense of constructing these streets, is a question which can be best determined by yourself through the experts in your office. It is proper that I should, in this connection, state that a part of the expense of constructing Mangin street, Ninth street and Tenth street, at least, would probably in such case be borne by adjoining property-owners by an assessment upon their property.

In view of the facts which I have stated, I should be glad to be advised by you whether the proposition, now made by the assignees of John Roach, is one which it would be to the interests of the City to accept, and what compensation upon the whole should be paid by them for the release which they now ask for.

I enclose herewith a printed copy of the water grant in question, to which a map is annexed, and which will indicate the situation of the property with sufficient clearness to enable you to understand the question submitted to you.

Very respectfully yours,

HENRY R. BEEKMAN, Counsel to the Corporation.

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, March 21, 1888.

Hon. THEODORE W. MYERS, *Comptroller*:

SIR—Referring to the matter of the release from the covenants of the water grant to N.W. Stuyvesant in 1824, which is asked for by Messrs. Quintard and Weed, assignees of John Roach, and with respect to which the Counsel to the Corporation wrote you several days ago, I beg leave to transmit to you herewith, by his direction, another letter relating to the proposed lease from Mr. J. R. Cuming, counsel for the petitioners, which has been received.

Mr. Cuming says that since his last interview with the Counsel to the Corporation, he has consulted with his clients, and finds that they will be satisfied with a release which will fully discharge two particular plots of the premises in question, which they have conveyed to Mr. Rowland and to Mr. Hagemeyer, constituting together a little more than ten lots all told, and that this would leave by far the greater part of the land under water which was conveyed by the grant, still undischarged from the covenants, and that they would constitute, even under the last suggestions made, abundant security to the City.

It is understood that this is a substitute for his former proposition that the release should cover all the property in the grant west of Mangin street. The two parcels referred to as being conveyed to Mr. Rowland and to Mr. Hagemeyer are shown in red ink on a diagram which Mr. Cuming has also transmitted to this office, and which is also sent to you herewith. It is understood that in all other respects the proposed arrangement, as suggested in the last letter from the Counsel to the Corporation to you remains in force.

Respectfully yours,

F. A. IRISH, Assistant to the Counsel to the Corporation.

(Two enclosures.)

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, May 28, 1888.

Hon. THEODORE W. MYERS, *Comptroller*:

SIR—I have duly received your communication of the 16th instant, replying to my two communications of March 16 and 21, relative to the matter of the petition of George W. Quintard and George E. Weed, assignees of John Roach, for a release from the covenant for keeping in repair the pavement of the streets in front of the premises granted to Nicholas W. Stuyvesant in the year 1824, situate between Avenue D and the East river and Ninth and Tenth streets.

In that communication you raise several questions which you suggest should be settled and disposed of before determining and fixing upon the amount of compensation to be paid to the City.

In the first place, however (briefly reviewing what is understood to be the position of the petitioners), it seems that originally and in their first petition they wished to obtain a release of all that part of the premises in the grant, located west of Mangin street from the covenant to uphold and keep in good order and repair all the streets which by the terms of the grant were to be filled up and made.

Shortly before I wrote my letter of March 16, the attention of Mr. J. R. Cuming, their counsel, was called to the fact that even if this covenant were released it would not accomplish the object they had in view, viz., that of clearing the title to the premises from the questions created by the covenants and conditions of the grant, because by the proper construction of such covenants and conditions the covenants to make the streets still unmade (east of Mangin street), and to fill up the land under water were also binding upon all the property contained in the grant, and in order to clear the title to any part thereof it was necessary that these covenants as well as the covenant to uphold and repair the streets already made should be released upon making an adequate payment to the City in lieu thereof.

Mr. Cuming had stated to me that it was his desire that all the covenants and conditions should be released, and you will see that in my letter of March 16, I mention that such is the wish of the petitioners and their counsel, and I make various suggestions to you as to the points to be kept in view in determining the sum to be paid to the City for a release of them all.

After that letter was sent, Mr. Cuming, upon further consultation with his clients, found that they would be satisfied with a release of two particular parcels sold to Rowland and Hagemeyer, respectively, from all the covenants, and so advised me by letter. This letter I sent to you with my letter of March 21, advising you of the change of position thus involved.

On March 26 the assignees found that they would want a similar release of another small parcel of four lots on Tenth street, between the Rowland and the Hagemeyer parcels, and so advised me through Mr. Cuming, whose letter to that effect was transmitted to you.

The present position of the assignees is, therefore, that of asking for a release not merely of the covenant to uphold and repair the completed streets, but of these and of all the other covenants, including the covenants to make and uphold the still uncompleted streets, that is to say: Mangin street and those east of it. And from all these covenants they desire to have released:

1. Nine lots on Tenth street, conveyed to Hagemeyer.
 2. An irregular parcel, conveyed to Rowland, east of and adjoining original high-water mark, comprising about two lots.
 3. Four lots on Tenth street, between Hagemeyer and Rowland purchase.
- Mr. Cuming consulted with me two or three days ago, and stated to me that the releases he should ask for would be as I have stated.

I restate these positions somewhat fully, as it appears from your letter of May 16 that you may be under a misapprehension as to the kind of release that would be asked for.

A question raised by you in that letter is that if only a part of the property is released from the covenant, how shall the City enforce the covenant for the rest of the property?

I apprehend that your question relates not to the method of enforcing the covenant generally but to a complication that it is supposed will arise out of and in consequence of the release.

If some of the lots in such a grant were to be released from the covenants without the consent and agreement of the owners of the remaining part of the property included in the grant, a complication would arise. The covenants being single and indivisible a release of a part of the land would, in that case, effect a release of all the land. But if the owner of the remaining part of the property agreed that such remaining part should continue subject to the covenants, unaffected by the release, such complication could be avoided, and in the present case the assignees of Roach, who are the owners of all the remaining part of the grant, expect to make such an agreement (to be contained in the release), and thus obviate the objection raised by you. The owners of the remainder of the property will then continue liable for the repair of all the streets except those in front of the property released and for the performance of the other covenants in the grant under penalty of forfeiture if they fail to perform them.

It is suggested by you that the fact that the pending plan for the improvement of the waterfront at this place, as it will require the taking by the City of part of the block west of Mangin street for the purpose of the improvement, may furnish a reason why the releases asked for should not be given.

I cannot perceive that this result would be involved, except that the release of the covenants and conditions would probably increase the value of the property released if it were taken, and thus increase the amount of the award to be paid, but, on the other hand, the City would, in that event, have received an equivalent in the sum paid for the release.

The remaining question suggested by you is: Have the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund the power and authority to grant the release by the adoption of a resolution fixing the terms and conditions thereof, without reference to the confirmatory action of the Common Council, as suggested by my predecessor in his letter of December 29, presented to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund January 25, 1888, and made the basis for the release presented February 16, and under consideration by you?

I do not consider it necessary to pass upon this question further than to say that, in my opinion, the consent of the Common Council is necessary to make the release effective.

It is also considered prudent that the consent of the Sinking Fund Commissioners should be obtained.

I return, herewith, the petition of February 17, the copy of the water grant and Mr. Cuming's letter of March 17, 1888.

Very respectfully, yours,

HENRY R. BEEKMAN, Counsel to the Corporation.

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, June 14, 1888.

Hon. THEODORE W. MYERS, *Comptroller*:

SIR—I am in receipt of your communication of the 8th instant, relative to the policy of commuting the covenants and conditions, contained in water grants heretofore made by the City, relative to the construction, maintenance and repair of streets and avenues, contiguous to the property conveyed by such grants, upon the payment of a gross sum to be ascertained upon equitable principles.

You ask me to furnish you with my opinion as to the advisability and propriety of granting, for a fair money consideration, releases from the general covenants and conditions contained in such water grants.

As Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Board of Aldermen I made a report to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund upon this subject on the 19th day of December, 1887, which report contains the following recommendation:

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

I also suggested the necessity of legislation in order to carry out any plan of settlement so far, at least, as grants made by the City since 1844 are concerned, and indicated in a general way the lines upon which such legislation should be framed. I still think that in most cases, if not in all, it would be desirable for the City to agree with the property-owners whose lands are affected by covenants of this description, for a proper commutation of their obligations to keep and maintain the water-grant streets in good condition and repair. The property originally covered by most of these grants has been very largely subdivided into a great number of separate ownerships, leading to great embarrassment in efforts to enforce a compliance with the covenants in question. In fact, for many years, it has been the practice of the City to repair these streets, charging the expense to the general appropriation raised by taxation for street repairs, a policy which has no doubt arisen from the practical difficulties encountered in the attempts to compel private individuals to perform public duties with which the City is primarily chargeable. As I indicated in the report above mentioned, these water grants are to be divided into two classes: those made prior to the enactment of the Revised Ordinances of 1844, and those made after. As to the former, no commutation of these covenants can be made unless the same be duly authorized by the Common Council. As to grants made since the enactment of the Revised Ordinances of 1844, it is exceedingly doubtful whether there exists any authority in the municipality or any of its departments to authorize any commutation of such covenants in view of the fact that the ordinances in question require all of such grants to contain such stipulations, and the Legislature has prohibited any amendment to or alteration of such ordinances without the consent of the Legislature first had and obtained. A bill was prepared under my direction and introduced in the Legislature, covering this entire subject, and intended to place the municipal authorities in a situation to enforce these covenants or to commute them, as the interests of the City might seem to require. The bill, however, failed to become a law. As to grants made prior to 1844, while in my opinion it is competent for the Common Council as I have said, to authorize their commutation and release, it is also prudent that there should be concurrent action by the Sinking Fund Commissioners. In the case of very many of these grants certain bulkhead rights, which in some cases have become very valuable, have been conferred as incident to the obligation to construct streets and wharves along the river-front. In some cases litigations are now pending between the City and parties claiming under these grants, affecting these rights. For this reason I am not prepared to advise you that it would be wise to establish a general rule for the commutation of these covenants which should be applicable to all cases. Each application for any such commutation should be treated and considered upon its own merits and after submission to the Counsel to the Corporation for his opinion, before any action binding upon the City is taken.

Yours, respectfully,

HENRY R. BEEKMAN, Counsel to the Corporation.

After some discussion of the legal effect of the release of a part of the grant, upon the remaining part not included in the release, the whole matter was laid over.

The Comptroller presented the following report upon the petition of George Bradish, for a release of the interest of the City in certain lands on the Harlem or East river, in the Twelfth Ward, between One Hundred and Eighth and One Hundred and Tenth streets, together with an opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation thereon, an appraisal of the value by the Comptroller and the Commissioner of Public Works, and a resolution to authorize the release:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
June 12, 1888.

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

GENTLEMEN—I respectfully submit the following report upon the petition of George Bradish for a release from the City of its interest in certain land originally subject to overflow at high tide, situate on and between One Hundred and Eighth and One Hundred and Tenth streets, and the First Avenue and Harlem river, in the Twelfth Ward, which petition was presented to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund January 25, 1888, and referred to the Comptroller.

An examination of the premises and of the official maps of the water-front of the city shows that the tract of land in question fronts on the Harlem or East river and Harlem creek, and was originally below the extreme high-water mark and subject to overflow, with small creeks running through it, but is now filled in and solid made ground.

The tract in question has a frontage of hundred and eight feet on One Hundred and Eighth street, originally bordering on Harlem creek, and comprises in all about sixty-one full city lots

and fourteen parts of lots. A tract of land of about double the area and adjoining it on the north, situate between the extreme high-water mark or the line of upland or edge of meadow, and the ordinary high-water mark on the Harlem river, was granted, July 1, 1850, to David Austen, Jr., for the sum of \$1,000, paid as the consideration therefor.

In pursuance of the provisions of section 79 of article VI. of chapter 3 of the Revised Ordinances of 1880, the Comptroller and the Commissioner of Public Works have appraised the interest of the City in said tract of land for which a release is now prayed for by the said petitioner, at the sum of \$6,500; in addition to which amount he shall also pay all taxes, assessments and Croton water rents that may be due and unpaid on said premises, as per a report thereon herewith submitted.

A resolution is also submitted for the action of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund to authorize a release or grant of the interest of the City in said parcel of land to the said petitioner, in accordance with said report.

Respectfully,

THEO. W. MYERS, Comptroller.
CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
June 12, 1888.

APPRAISEMENT.

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

GENTLEMEN—The undersigned, the Comptroller and the Commissioner of Public Works, in pursuance of the provisions of section 79 of article VI. of chapter 3 of the Revised Ordinances of 1880, and under the advice of the Counsel to the Corporation dated July 8, 1884, have examined and inquired into the facts in the matter of the petition of George Bradish, presented to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund January 25, 1888, for a release or grant of the interest of the City of New York in a certain tract or parcel of land at Harlem, in the Twelfth Ward of said city, as bounded and described in said petition, situate on and between One Hundred and Eighth and One Hundred and Tenth streets, and between the First Avenue and the Harlem or East river; and they respectfully report that, in their judgment, the sum which should be paid to the City for a release or grant from the Corporation of its interest in said parcel of land, formerly subject to overflow at high tide, but now filled in and made solid ground, is the sum of \$6,500; and the petitioner shall also pay all existing taxes, assessments and Croton water rents due and unpaid on the said premises, in addition to the sum above mentioned.

THEO. W. MYERS, Comptroller.
D. LOWBER SMITH,
Deputy and Acting Commissioner of Public Works.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund do hereby approve of and agree to the valuation of the interest of the Corporation of the City of New York reported by the Comptroller and the Commissioner of Public Works, determining the sum of six thousand five hundred dollars (\$6,500) as the amount which, in their judgment, should be charged as the consideration for a release or grant of a certain plot, piece or parcel of land, originally below the extreme high-water mark, and having small creeks or streams running through it, but now filled in and made solid ground, bounded and described as follows:

"All that certain tract or parcel of land at Harlem in the City and County of New York, bounded and described as follows, viz.: Beginning at a point in the northeasterly line of One Hundred and Tenth street, one hundred and sixteen feet five inches southeast of the northeasterly corner of First Avenue and One Hundred and Tenth street; thence southerly along the boundary line between the land of George Bradish on the west and James Roosevelt on the east, four hundred and thirty-six feet eight inches to a point in the south line of One Hundred and Ninth street, at a point southeasterly four hundred and eleven feet seven inches from the southeasterly corner of the First Avenue and One Hundred and Ninth street; thence again south on the same boundary line, about two hundred and twenty-eight feet to high-water mark at the edge of the marsh at the Harlem river; thence south-west along the high-water line of the Harlem or East river fifteen feet, to the north line of One Hundred and Eighth street; thence northwesterly along the northerly line of One Hundred and Eighth street, about six hundred and eight feet, to a point where First Avenue and the northerly side of One Hundred and Eighth street is intersected by the boundary line between said Bradish and lands formerly of Peter Benson, deceased; thence northerly on the said last-named boundary line, to a point in the west line of First Avenue, one hundred and twenty feet one and one-quarter inches south of the south line of One Hundred and Ninth street; thence, still north, on the same course to a point on the south line of One Hundred and Ninth street, one hundred and nine feet two inches west of First Avenue; thence still on the same course about thirty feet to the line of edge of meadow or extreme high-water mark at the upland, in One Hundred and Ninth street; thence along said last-named line of edge of meadow or extreme high-water mark, easterly, northerly and north-easterly, as the same winds and turns, to the north line of One Hundred and Tenth street, at a point about fifteen feet east of First Avenue; thence, still along edge of meadow or extreme high-water mark, to a point about twenty-four feet north of the north line of One Hundred and Tenth street, at the easterly boundary line of said property; and thence, southerly along said easterly boundary line, about thirty feet, to the place of beginning."

And do fix the sum of \$6,500 as the amount to be charged and paid as the consideration for a release or grant of all the right, title and interest of the Corporation of the City of New York in and to said tract or parcel of land; and the Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to cause a release or grant thereof to be issued to George Bradish, the petitioner for such release or grant, to be executed by the Mayor and the Clerk of the Common Council, under the Common Seal of the City, when prepared and approved by the Counsel to the Corporation; provided, also, that all existing taxes, assessments and Croton water rents due on said premises shall be paid in addition to the sum above mentioned.

PETITION PRESENTED AT MEETING, JANUARY 25, 1888.

To the Honorable the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of the City and County of New York:

The petition of George Bradish shows unto your Honorable Body:

That he is the owner of the premises below described and sought to be released, with the exception of portions thereof which he has heretofore conveyed by warrant deeds from time to time, of which the title of the several grantees in said deeds will be confirmed by said proposed release, and such release to him will inure directly to their benefit.

That the whole of the said premises so sought to be released are included in and form part of the grant bearing date the day of May, 1666, from Richard Nicholls, Esq., Governor under His Royal Highness James, Duke of York, etc., of all his territories in America, to the several freeholders and inhabitants of a certain town or village commonly called and known by the name of New Harlem, of lands then in their tenure and occupation, whereby the said Governor Nicholls did ratify, confirm and grant unto the said freeholders and inhabitants, their heirs, successors and assigns, and to each and every of them, their particular lots and estates in said town or any part thereof; together with all the soils, creeks, quarries, woods, meadows, pastures, marshes, waters, fishings, hunting and fowling, and all other profits, commodities, emoluments and hereditaments to the said lands and premises within the said line belonging or in any wise appertaining, and their and every of their appurtenances.

And the said premises are also wholly included in and form part of the lands conveyed by a certain other grant of confirmation, bearing date the 11th day of October, 1667, made by the said Richard Nicholls, Esq., Governor-General under His Royal Highness James, Duke of York and Albany, etc., of all his territories in America to Thomas Delavall and others, patentees for and in behalf of themselves and their associates, the freeholders and inhabitants of the said town, their heirs, successors and assigns, together with all the soils, creeks, quarries, woods, meadows, pastures, marshes, waters, lakes, fishing, and all other profits, etc.

This patent recorded in Original Book of Patents, Secretary of State's Office, Albany, in Liber 4, page 60. See Riker's History of Harlem.

And your petitioner further shows that a certain Thomas Barclay, being then in possession, did on or about the 20th day of May, 1816, grant and convey to George Bradish, the father of your petitioner, by deed bearing date on that day, for the consideration of \$11,975,

"All that certain lot or tract of land situate, lying and being in the town of Harlaem, in the County and State of New York aforesaid, being part of the land formerly conveyed by

James Roosevelt, Esq., to Henry Gilbert Livingston and by him to the said Thomas Barclay, by deed bearing date the fourteenth day of June, in the year one thousand eight hundred and six: Beginning at the fence of the heirs of Peter Benson, deceased, directly opposite the westerly corner of the small stable as the small lane runs, to six chains eighty-nine links to the country seat of the said James Roosevelt; thence along the line of the said James Roosevelt to the East river; thence along the river to the lands of the heirs of Peter Benson, deceased; from thence fourteen chains forty-six links along the line of Peter Benson to the place of beginning; containing by estimation near ten acres." Which said deed is duly recorded in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York, May 20, 1816, in Liber 117, page 355.

And your petitioner further shows: that his said father, George Bradish, died, on or about the fourteenth day of May, 1835, seized and possessed of the premises in question intestate, leaving him surviving his widow Lucretia Bradish, and your petitioner, his only child and heir-at-law, there being no other descendants of his said father living, whereby your petitioner inherited the whole of said premises, subject only to his mother's (the said Lucretia Bradish) dower right therein.

That on or about the fifth day of February, 1861, your petitioner, with his wife Elizabeth J. Bradish, did by deed bearing date on that day, recorded in Register's Office aforesaid in Liber 830, page 317, convey to his mother, the said Lucretia Bradish, certain lands in the City of New York, embracing the premises in question, and in case said deed failed to convey the whole, then the title remained in him.

That his said mother died, on or about the day of September, 1864, seized and possessed of the premises so conveyed to her; leaving a last will and testament, dated September 18, 1862; which was duly proved before the Surrogate of Queens County, September 30, 1864, and recorded in Liber 11 of Wills, page 543, by which will she devised all the rest, residue and remainder of her property and estate, both real and personal, of whatever kind and wheresoever situated (being all of her real estate), to your petitioner, who was her only child and heir-at-law, to have and to hold the same to him and his heirs and assigns forever.

And your petitioner further shows, that proposing to sell a portion of the premises below described, being that portion of the farm above recited as conveyed to his father in 1816, lying between the line of upland or edge of meadow, and high-water mark on the Harlem river, objection was raised to his title that inasmuch as Randel's map of the city show several small creeks, outlets of fresh water springs, into which the tide backed up at high water, running into this property, that the City of New York might have some interest therein, although the whole of the meadow in question has since been filled up, at great cost to your petitioner, and the same has for many years past been laid out by the City into blocks and lots; and has been assessed to your petitioner, who has paid assessments for street openings and otherwise, and taxes since his father's death in 1835, and prior to that time such taxes had, as he is informed and believes, been paid by his said father from 1816 to 1835.

That the facts of there being small tidewater creeks, outlets of fresh water springs, into which the tide backed up at high water, and the uncertainty of their location, and how far the claims of the City extend, under the several charters to the City embracing lands between high and low water-mark, form a cloud upon the title of your petitioner, which is a great detriment to the property, and prevents such improvements thereon as would ensure very largely to the benefit of the City of New York, in the increased taxation which might be had upon such improvements.

Your petitioner therefore prays that the City of New York will remove the said cloud upon the title aforesaid, by releasing to him its interest in the following-described premises (a diagram whereof is hereto annexed):

"All that certain tract or parcel of land at Harlem, in the City and County of New York, bounded and described as follows, viz.: Beginning at a point in the northeasterly line of One Hundred and Tenth street, one hundred and sixteen feet five inches southeast of the northeasterly corner of First Avenue and One Hundred and Tenth street; thence southerly along the boundary line between the land of George Bradish on the west, and James Roosevelt on the east, four hundred and thirty-six feet eight inches to a point in the south line of One Hundred and Ninth street, at a point southeasterly four hundred and eleven feet seven inches from the southeasterly corner of the First Avenue and One Hundred and Ninth street; thence again south on the same boundary line about two hundred and twenty-eight feet to high-water mark at the edge of the marsh at the Harlem river; thence southwest along Harlem river fifteen feet to the north line of One Hundred and Eighth street; thence northwesterly along the northerly line of One Hundred and Eighth street, about six hundred and eight feet to a point where First Avenue and the northerly side of One Hundred and Eighth street is intersected by the boundary line between said Bradish and lands formerly of Peter Benson, deceased; thence northerly on the said last-named boundary line, to a point in the west line of First Avenue, one hundred and twenty feet one and one-quarter inches south of the south line of One Hundred and Ninth street; thence, still north, on the same course to a point on the south line of One Hundred and Ninth street, one hundred and nine feet two inches west of First Avenue; thence still on the same course about thirty feet to the line of edge of meadow, or extreme high-water mark at the upland, in One Hundred and Ninth street; thence along said last-named line of edge of meadow or extreme high-water mark, easterly, northerly and north-easterly, as the same winds and turns, to the north line of One Hundred and Tenth street, at a point about fifteen feet east of First Avenue; thence, still along edge of meadow or extreme high-water mark, to a point about twenty-four feet north of the north line of One Hundred and Tenth street, at the easterly boundary line of said property; and thence southerly along said easterly boundary line, about thirty feet to the place of beginning."

GEO. BRADISH.

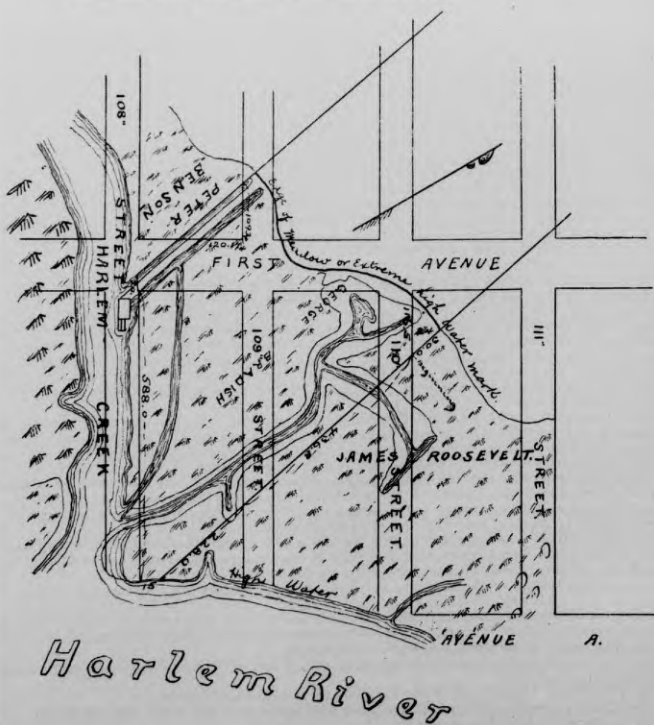
County of New York, City of New York, ss.:

George Bradish, being duly sworn, says: That he resides in the City of New York; that he has read the foregoing petition, by him subscribed, and knows the contents thereof; that the same is true to his own knowledge except as to the matters stated therein on information and belief, and as to those matters he believes it to be true.

GEO. BRADISH.

Sworn to before me this 10th day of January, 1888.

HENRY E. VAUGHAN,
Commissioner of Deeds, City and County of New York.



OPINION OF COUNSEL TO CORPORATION.

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, May 8, 1888.

Hon. THEODORE W. MYERS, Comptroller:

SIR—I am in due receipt of your communication of January 31, 1888, in which you enclose a petition presented to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund on January 25, 1888, by George Bradish for the release of the interest of the City in certain meadow or marsh land described therein, situated at the mouth of the Harlem creek, between One Hundred and Eighth and One Hundred and Tenth streets, and extending to the high-water line of the Harlem river, and you request me to advise you what course should be taken upon such petition.

An examination of the Randell map shows that the premises in question, with the exception of certain creeks therein, lie between the line of ordinary and extraordinary high water of the Harlem river, and that through the creeks referred to, at ordinary tides, the water flows over a small portion of the premises. The petitioner claims that these creeks are formed of fresh water springs, but alleges that because of such flow of the tide objection has been raised to his title upon the theory that the City may have some interest in the portion of the land forming the bed of these creeks.

If we accept the Randell map as correctly showing the line of ordinary high water, and at present we have no better evidence of the location of such line, it would appear that the City has no interest in the lands for which a release is asked, except, possibly, as to the bed of the creeks. If the contention of the petitioner is correct, that these creeks are formed of fresh water, under the decisions at present, the City would have no title to such parts of the bed of such creeks as lie above ordinary high-water mark. As to the correctness of this claim, however, I am not in possession of any evidence.

If, however, the petitioner desires that any possible interest of the City should be released to him in order that the apparent cloud upon his title, to which he refers in his petition, shall be removed, I see no reason why the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund should not make the release asked for, for such consideration as they may deem just under all the circumstances, to be arrived at by an appraisement by the Comptroller and the Commissioner of Public Works, pursuant to the statutes and ordinances now in force.

I return to you the petition transmitted to me.

Very respectfully, yours,

HENRY R. BEEKMAN, Counsel to the Corporation.

The whole matter was laid over for the purpose of ascertaining how the premises are affected by the plans of the Department of Docks for the improvement of the water-front in that locality.

The Comptroller presented the following petition of Anderson Price for a release of the interest of the City in four lots, corner of One Hundredth street and Second avenue, in the Twelfth Ward, together with a report thereon, an appraisement of the City's interest in the land and a resolution to authorize a release thereof:

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

The petition of Anderson Price respectfully shows that he is the attorney of Florence C. Bacon and Lucien D. Coman, who are the owners together with himself of the plot of land in the City of New York, described as follows:

Beginning at the northwest corner of One Hundredth street and Second avenue, running thence northerly along the westerly side of Second avenue one hundred feet and eleven inches to the centre line of the block between One Hundredth and One Hundred and First streets; thence westerly along said centre line of the block and parallel with One Hundredth street one hundred feet; thence southerly and parallel with Second avenue one hundred feet and eleven inches to the northerly side of One Hundredth street; and thence easterly along the said northerly side of One Hundredth street one hundred feet to the point aforesaid, the place of beginning, as appears on diagram annexed hereto.

That the said land has recently been sold at public auction in a proceeding instituted to foreclose a mortgage thereon, and that Thomas C. Higgins and Thomas Monahan have become the purchasers thereof and paid to the referee in said proceeding ten per cent. of the purchase money.

That the said purchasers have declined to accept a conveyance of said property upon the ground that the City of New York has some claim upon said land by reason of the fact that at some time or before the said land was meadow land, and that some portion thereof was partially covered at high tides by the water of the Harlem or East river.

That the grantors and ancestors of said Coman and Bacon have had undisputed possession at all times and the occupation of said property prior to 1862, and have paid all the taxes and assessments thereon up to about the year 1870, and some of the taxes and assessments since that year, and your petitioner, as the attorney for the present owners, represents that all of the taxes and assessments, which are now unpaid liens thereon, will be paid when the referee's deed and a release of any claim of the City of New York shall be delivered to the purchasers.

Your petitioner hereby offers in payment for a release from the City of New York of any claim that it might have upon said land, the sum of one hundred dollars for each lot which it shall so release under this petition, making the sum of four hundred dollars for a release of said four lots.

Your petitioner therefore prays that a release of any and all alleged right, title or interest which the City of New York has in or to the said lands, and which is not established, alleged or admitted, but is still in the nature of a cloud upon the title to the said lot or some portion thereof, may be released and relinquished to the said Thomas C. Higgins and Thomas Monahan, as purchasers at the said sale, so that the contract of purchase made by them may be carried out.

Dated NEW YORK, June 1, 1888.

Respectfully,

ANDERSON PRICE,

Attorney for Florence Bacon and Lucien D. Coman, No. 280 Broadway, N. Y. City.

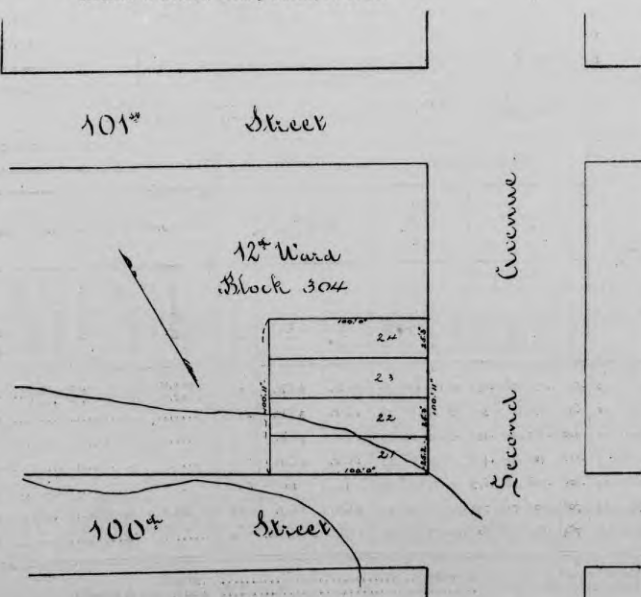
City and County of New York, ss.:

Anderson Price, being duly sworn, says: I am the attorney for Florence C. Bacon and Lucien D. Coman, the individuals described in the foregoing petition and am acquainted with the facts; that the same is true of my own knowledge, except as to the matters therein stated to be alleged on information and belief, and as to those matters I believe the same to be true.

ANDERSON PRICE.

Sworn to before me, this 1st day of June, 1888.

ROBERT O'BRYNE, Notary Public, N. Y. Co.



CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
June 12, 1888.

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

GENTLEMEN—Herewith I present a petition of Anderson Price, attorney of Florence C. Bacon and Lucien B. Coman, for a release or quit claim from the City of New York of the interest of the Corporation in four lots of land situated on the northwest corner of One Hundredth street and Second avenue, in the Twelfth Ward. This land formed a part of the tract known as the Harlem flats, or meadows, and was intersected by small creeks or streams, and was partially covered at extreme high tides by the water of the Harlem or East river, but is now filled in and made solid ground.

The petitioner asks for a release from the City of its interest in said land in order to remove the cloud upon the title arising therefrom.

As provided by section 79 of article VI. of chapter 3 of the Revised Ordinances of 1880, and as advised by the Counsel to the Corporation under the date of July 8, 1884, the sum which should be paid to the City for a release of its interest in said land has been appraised and determined by the Comptroller and the Commissioner of Public Works, at the sum of \$1,000, all existing taxes, assessments and Croton water rents due and unpaid on said premises to be paid by the petitioner in addition to the sum above mentioned, amounting to over \$8,000. The appraisement is herewith submitted.

I present also a resolution for the action of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund to authorize a release of the interest of the City in said land in the names of the persons designated by said petitioner as the purchasers.

Respectfully,

THEO. W. MYERS, Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
June 12, 1888.

APPRAISEMENT.

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

GENTLEMEN—The undersigned, the Comptroller and the Commissioner of Public Works, in pursuance of the provisions of section 79 of article VI. of chapter 3 of the Revised Ordinances of 1880, and under the advice of the Counsel to the Corporation, dated July 8, 1884, have examined and inquired into the facts in the matter of the petition of Anderson Price, attorney of Florence C. Bacon and Lucien D. Coman, dated June 1, 1888, for a release of the interest of the City of New York in four lots of land situated on the northwest corner of One Hundredth street and Second avenue, as described in said petition and shown on a diagram annexed thereto, being the lots of land fronting on Second avenue, designated on the assessment map as Ward Nos. 21, 22, 23 and 24, in Block 304, in the Twelfth Ward, formerly subject, more or less, to overflow at high tide, but since filled in and made solid ground; and they respectfully report that, in their judgment, the sum which should be paid to the City for a release of the interest of the Corporation in said land is the sum of \$1,000, and the petitioners shall also pay all existing taxes, assessments and Croton water rents, due and unpaid on the said premises, in addition to the sum above mentioned.

THEO. W. MYERS, Comptroller.

D. LOWBER SMITH,

Deputy and Acting Commissioner of Public Works.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund do hereby approve of the report made by the Comptroller and the Commissioner of Public Works appraising and determining the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to be the amount which should be charged as the consideration for a release of the City's interest in four lots of land situated on the northwest corner of One Hundredth street and Second avenue, known and designated as Ward Nos. 21, 22, 23 and 24, in Block 304 of the Twelfth Ward, which premises were originally intersected by small creeks or streams, and were partially covered at extreme high tides by the waters of the Harlem or East river, but are now filled in and made solid ground; and do hereby fix the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) as the amount to be charged as the consideration for said release; and the Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to cause such release to be issued, as requested by the petitioner, Anderson Price, to Thomas Higgins and Thomas Monahan, the persons designated as the purchasers of said premises, which release is to be executed by the Mayor and the Clerk of the Common Council, under the Common Seal of the City, when prepared and approved by the Counsel to the Corporation; provided that all existing taxes, assessments and Croton water rents due on said premises shall be paid in addition to the sum above mentioned.

The report was accepted and the resolution unanimously adopted.

The Comptroller called up for consideration the report laid over at the last meeting of the Board relative to assigning a portion of the second story of the Centre Market for the use of the Volunteer Firemen's Association. After some discussion of the matter the report was accepted and the resolution granting the premises to the Association was adopted, as follows:

Resolved, That the portion of the second story of the Centre Market Building adjoining that part appropriated for the occupation of the Second Judicial District Court, be and the same is hereby assigned for the use of the Volunteer Firemen's Association, in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 95 of the Laws of 1888 and a resolution of the Board of Aldermen adopted April 17, 1888, all necessary alterations and repairs of the premises to be made by and at the expense of said Association, subject to the approval of the Comptroller, and the premises to be occupied by it during the pleasure of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

Affirmative—The Recorder, the Comptroller and the Chamberlain—3.

Negative—The Mayor—1.

The Comptroller presented a petition of George C. Currier for a release or grant from the City of certain land fronting on the south side of One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, near the Harlem river, in the Twelfth Ward.

Referred to the Comptroller.

The Comptroller presented a petition of John Cullen for a grant or release from the City of certain land on the northeast corner of One Hundred and Seventh street and First avenue, in the Twelfth Ward.

Referred to the Comptroller.

A. B. Boardman, Esq., of Counsel for the Staten Island Rapid Transit Railroad Company, appeared before the Board, and asked a hearing upon the application of that company for the right to alter and extend the ferry-houses and ferry-racks at the foot of Whitehall street, presented to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund February 6, 1888, and referred to the Comptroller, who submitted the plans of the proposed improvement of the ferry landing to the Department of Docks.

Mr. Boardman desired the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund to authorize the improvement of the ferry according to the plans presented, with the approval of the Department of Docks. He referred to a pending suit of the City against the Rapid Transit Railroad Company for rent or percentages claimed to be due on ferry leases, and stated that the company had executed stipulations that the granting of the application of the company, and the approval of the plans for making the proposed

improvement, shall be without prejudice to the claim of the City or any rights of the City in the action now pending. It was also said that these stipulations had been delivered to the Counsel to the Corporation and were approved by him.

The Comptroller presented a communication from the Counsel to the Corporation on the subject, and after some consideration of it the following resolution was offered by the Mayor:

Resolved, That the Department of Docks be and is hereby respectfully requested to take such action as may be deemed proper and advisable upon the plans for the alteration and improvement of the Staten Island Ferry landing at the foot of Whitehall street, which were presented by the Staten Island Rapid Transit Railroad Company, and are now before the Commissioners of that Department for their examination and approval.

Which received the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Recorder and the Chamberlain—3.

Negative—The Comptroller—1.

Under the provisions of section 54 of article VI. of chapter 3 of the Revised Ordinances of 1880, the resolution was lost.

The following is the communication from the Counsel to the Corporation, referred to and presented by the Comptroller:

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, June 11, 1888.

Hon. THEODORE W. MYERS, Comptroller:

SIR—I have received from the Staten Island Rapid Transit Railroad Company a stipulation executed by the company and by its attorneys, in the action now pending against the City for an injunction restraining it from forfeiting the leases of the Staten Island ferries, stipulating and agreeing that the granting of the application of the company, and the approval of the plans, for the alteration and extension of ferry-houses and ferry-racks in this city shall be without prejudice to the claim of the City, that the present existing leases of the ferry franchises have been forfeited for the non-payment of rent or percentages, and without prejudice to any rights of the City in the action now pending; and this stipulation is sufficient in my opinion to protect all the interests of the City, so that the application now pending before the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, may be disposed of without reference to pending litigation, and without any injurious effect upon the position of the City or its claims under the existing leases.

If you desire to bring the matter before the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, I shall be glad to confer with you as to the form of any resolution to be adopted, and as to the conditions to be imposed in granting the application, if the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund shall deem it proper to make that disposition of it.

Very respectfully,

HENRY R. BEEKMAN, Counsel to the Corporation.

The Mayor presented the following report of the committee of architects selected to examine the plans of the proposed municipal building:

To the Honorable ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor:

DEAR SIR—The undersigned, since your conference with us upon the eighth of May, have, both severally and in consultation with one another, repeatedly examined and compared the drawings for the proposed municipal building, submitted for our judgment by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, and have come unanimously to the following conclusions:

Of the twenty designs sent in to the Commissioners there is, in our judgment, only one—that bearing the motto, "Audaces Fortuna Juvat"—which, if carried into execution substantially as shown in the drawings, would produce a building which would be a credit to the City.

We find four others, which, though they cannot be regarded as satisfactory solutions of the problem given, yet have sufficient merit to entitle them, in our opinion, to respectful mention and to the favorable consideration of the Commissioners. These are signed with three circles (C O C); with the word "Architect"; with five circles; and with the name "Manhattan" (No. 2).

The architectural treatment of this last leaves much to be desired, but the exceptional excellence of the plan entitles it, we think, to a place, though the last place, among those to which a premium should be awarded.

The other three combine good plans with elevations which, though not satisfactory, yet evince knowledge and skill, and are as successful as it was reasonable to expect, considering the extraordinary difficulties presented by the conditions.

We recommend to the Commissioners, accordingly, that the five premiums shall be given, successively, to the authors of the five designs marked Audaces Fortuna Juvat, Three circles, Architect, Five circles, and Manhattan (No. 2).

The drawings marked Audaces Fortuna Juvat exhibit some marks of haste in their execution, and they are not accompanied by any specifications or estimates, as required in the instructions issued by the Commissioners. Their not meeting this requirement does not, however, affect their value to the City, as affording the only satisfactory solution of the problem that has been offered. We have, accordingly, not hesitated to recommend to the Commissioners to award to them the first premium, of which, even as they stand, they are every way worthy, waiving the requirement in question.

None of the other competitors can complain of this, since they can lose nothing thereby. The four other premiums are, in our opinion, an ample acknowledgment of their merits. No one of them has presented a successful design, or one that could properly be made the basis of actual operations. The first premium, if not given to the design we have indicated, should not, in our judgment, be given at all. We accordingly recommend the Commissioners to waive the requirement of estimates, since thereby the public interests will be served, and no private interests will suffer.

In reply, then, to the two questions propounded to us, in accordance with your suggestion, we have to say that although, in common with the sketch furnished by the Commissioners, all the designs show an interior court-yard which is objectionably crowded and irregular, still the design to which we give the first place shows that it is possible so to carry out the general scheme proposed as to produce a building that shall be creditable to the City of New York, and that, besides this design, there are four others of sufficient merit, all things considered, to entitle them to receive the four other premiums.

We are, very respectfully, your obedient servants,

WILLIAM R. WARE.
RICHARD M. HUNT.
RICHARD M. UPJOHN.

NEW YORK, June 2, 1888.

Laid on the table, to be considered with the plans and specifications before the Board at its next meeting.
Adjourned.

RICHARD A. STORRS, Secretary.

BOARD OF CITY RECORD.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, June 21, 1888.

Hons. Abram S. Hewitt and Henry R. Beekman, Mayor and Corporation Counsel, met at eleven o'clock this day in the Mayor's office, and adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, That authority be and it is hereby given for the publication, by the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, under the direction of the Comptroller, of the notice of sale of lands and tenements not heretofore sold, for the unpaid taxes of the years 1869 to 1882, both inclusive, and Croton water rents for the years 1868 to 1881, both inclusive, in accordance with the provisions of section 926 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, in the following newspapers, to wit:

Sun, N. Y. Staats Zeitung, Journal of Commerce,
Star, Daily News, N. Y. Tribune,
Evening Post, N. Y. Times, World,
Herald, Morning Journal,

—and for printing eight thousand copies of a detailed statement of the sale in pamphlet form.

Resolved, That authority be and it is hereby given for the publication by the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, under the direction of the Comptroller, of the notice of sale of lands and tenements for unpaid taxes of the years 1883, 1884 and 1885, and Croton water rents for the years 1882, 1883 and 1884, in accordance with the provisions of section 926 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, in the following newspapers, to wit:

Sun, N. Y. Staats Zeitung, Journal of Commerce,
Star, Daily News, N. Y. Tribune,
Evening Post, N. Y. Times, World,
Herald, Morning Journal,

—and for printing 8,000 copies of a detailed statement of the sale in pamphlet form.

Adjourned.

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 June 16, 1888.

Barometer.

DATE. JUNE.		7 A.M.	2 P.M.	9 P.M.	MEAN FOR THE DAY.	MAXIMUM.		MINIMUM.	
		Reduced to Freezing.	Reduced to Freezing.	Reduced to Freezing.	Reduced to Freezing.	Reduced to Freezing.	Time.	Reduced to Freezing.	Time.
Sunday,	10	29.890	29.750	29.676	29.785	29.945	0 A.M.	29.610	12 P.M.
Monday,	11	29.600	29.600	29.800	29.666	29.872	12 P.M.	29.568	4 A.M.
Tuesday,	12	30.000	30.006	30.042	30.016	30.092	12 P.M.	29.872	0 A.M.
Wednesday,	13	30.138	30.180	30.070	30.105	30.158	9 A.M.	30.050	12 P.M.
Thursday,	14	30.000	29.900	29.848	29.916	30.050	0 A.M.	29.824	5 P.M.
Friday,	15	29.810	29.772	29.712	29.765	29.844	0 A.M.	29.692	7 P.M.
Saturday,	16	29.742	29.708	29.772	29.741	29.772	9 P.M.	29.700	4 P.M.

Mean for the week 29.856 inches.
Maximum " at 9 A.M., June 13th. 30.158 "
Minimum " at 4 A.M., June 11th. 29.568 "
Range "590 "

Thermometers.

DATE. JUNE.		7 A.M.		2 P.M.		9 P.M.		MEAN.		MAXIMUM.				MINIMUM.				MAXIMUM.			
		Dry Bulb.		Wet Bulb.		Dry Bulb.		Wet Bulb.		Dry Bulb.		Wet Bulb.		Dry Bulb.		Wet Bulb.		Dry Bulb.		Wet Bulb.	
		Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Dry Bulb.	Time.	Wet Bulb.	Time.	Dry Bulb.	Time.	Wet Bulb.	Time.	In Sun.			
Sunday,	10	62	61	71	71	68	68	67.0	66.6	82	4 P.M.	77	4 P.M.	59	4 A.M.	58	4 A.M.	110	4 P.M.		
Monday,	11	70	69	78	68	64	60	70.6	65.6	78	1 P.M.	70	12 M.	59	12 P.M.	57	12 P.M.	125	2 P.M.		
Tuesday,	12	58	56	69	62	65	60	64.0	59.3	75	6 P.M.	67	6 P.M.	56	5 A.M.	54	5 A.M.	105	1 P.M.		
Wednesday,	13	61	57	72	62	61	59	64.6	59.3	72	4 P.M.	64	12 M.	57	5 A.M.	55	5 A.M.	119	12 M.		
Thursday,	14	62	61	77	72	72	72	70.3	68.3	82	5 P.M.	77	5 P.M.	59	0 A.M.	59	0 A.M.	123	12 M.		
Friday,	15	69	69	84	79	72	71	75.0	73.0	89	4 P.M.	81	4 P.M.	68	6 A.M.	68	6 A.M.	122	12 M.		
Saturday,	16	72	72	79	75	75	75	75.3	74.0	83	12 M.	78	6 P.M.	70	4 A.M.	70	4 A.M.	133	12 M.		

Mean for the week 69.5 degrees.
Maximum for the week, at 4 P.M., 15th. 89. " at 4 P.M., 15th. 81. "
Minimum " at 5 A.M., 12th. 56. " at 5 A.M., 12th. 54. "
Range " 33. " 27. "

Wind.

DATE. JUNE.		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.	7 A.M.	2 P.M.	9 P.M.
Sunday,	10....	SSW	ESE	E	64	45	38	147	0	0
Monday,	11....	WSW	WNW	NW	67	83	85	235	3/4	1 1/4
Tuesday,	12....	NW	WNW	S	60	52	32	144	0	0
Wednesday,	13....	WSW	SSE	SSE	53	64	82	199	0	2 1/4
Thursday,	14....	SSE	ESE	S	63	52	35	150	1/4	0
Friday,	15....	SW	SW	SW	37	62	72	171	0	2 1/4
Saturday,	16....	WNW	NW	WSW	68	31	12	111	0	0

Distance traveled during the week 1,157 miles.
Maximum force 15 1/4 pounds.

Hygrometer.

Clouds.

Rain and Snow. Ozone.

DATE. JUNE.		FORCE OF WIND.				RELATIVE HUMIDITY.				CLEAR, 0. OVERCAST, 10.	DEPTH OF RAIN AND SNOW IN INCHES			
		7 A.M.	2 P.M.	9 P.M.	Mean.	7 A.M.	2 P.M.	9 P.M.	Mean.		Time of Beginning.	Time of Ending.	Duration.	Amount of Water.
Sunday,	10	.523	.758	.685	.655	94	100	100	98	6 Cir.	6 Cir.	10	0.30 P.M.	2.30 P.M.
Monday,	11	.695	.550	.405	.570	95	57	78	76	2 Cir.	3 Cir.	2 Cir.	9.30 P.M.	10 P.M.
Tuesday,	12	.422	.462	.431	.445	87	65	73	75	1 Cir.	4 Cir.	0
Wednesday,	13	.412	.422	.473	.436	77	54	88	73	1 Cir.	2 Cir.	0
Thursday,	14	.593	.718	.784	.675	94	77	100	90	10	10	8 Cir.
Friday,	15	.708	.922	.745	.792	100	79	95	91	7 Cir.	8 Cir.	10	8 P.M.	10.15 P.M.
Saturday,	16	.784	.814	.868	.822	100	82	100	94	2 Cir.	2 Cir. Cu.	0

Total amount of water for the week28 inch.
Duration for the week 4 hours and 45 minutes.

DATE.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.
Sunday, June 10	Mild, hazy.	Mild, hazy.
Monday, " 11	Warm, close.	Warm, pleasant.
Tuesday, " 12	Mild, pleasant.	Mild, pleasant.
Wednesday, " 13	Mild, pleasant.	Mild, pleasant.
Thursday, " 14	Mild, overcast.	Warm, overcast.
Friday, " 15	Hot, close, hazy.	Hot, close, lightning and thunder, P. M.
Saturday, " 16	Warm, close.	Hot, close.

DANIEL DRAPER, PH. D., Director.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, May 31, 1888.

Whereas, It is provided in and by section 12 of chapter 718 of the Laws of 1887, entitled "An Act to provide for the recording and indexing of conveyances and instruments relating to land in the City of New York according to limited areas," as amended by chapter 321 of the Laws of 1888, that if it shall be determined by the Mayor of said City and the Register of the City and County of New York that said act cannot go into operation at the time designated thereby by the said Mayor, under the provisions of the first-mentioned act, by reason of the non-completion of the map or indices referred to in said act, or for any other reason, thereupon the said Mayor, by notice published in the City Record in said City of New York for thirty days prior to the expiration of the extended time designated by said Mayor, may further extend the time for said act to go into operation and for the books, maps and indices in said act referred to be completed to a date not later than the first day of July, 1889, and that said act upon such publication shall thereupon go into operation in said Register's Office at the time so to be designated by said Mayor; and

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

Now, therefore, I, Abram S. Hewitt, Mayor of the City of New York, do hereby give notice that I have extended and do hereby extend the time for said act to go into operation, and for said maps and indices to be completed, to the first day of July, 1889, which is hereby designated by me as the date upon which the said act shall go into operation in said Register's Office.

ABRAM S. HEWITT,
Mayor.MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, February 10, 1888.

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

(Signed), ABRAM S. HEWITT,
Mayor.CIVIL SERVICE SUPERVISORY
AND EXAMINING BOARDS.CITY OF NEW YORK—CIVIL SERVICE
SUPERVISORY AND EXAMINING BOARDS,
SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
ROOM 11, CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, June 3, 1887.THOMAS COSTIGAN, Esq.,
Supervisor City Record:

DEAR SIR—The following amendment to Regulation 16 of the New York City Civil Service Regulations has been made:

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

Yours respectfully,
LEE PHILLIPS,
Secretary and Executive Officer.CITY OF NEW YORK—CIVIL SERVICE
SUPERVISORY AND EXAMINING BOARDS,
SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
ROOM 11, CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, May 31, 1887.THOMAS COSTIGAN, Esq.,
Supervisor:

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

"Resolved, That in view of the inadequate space in the Secretary's office and in order to enable him more readily to discharge the business of the same, the Secretary is authorized to arrange the business of the office so that the same shall be open for personal interviews with applicants and the public during a part of the day only."

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

Very respectfully,
LEE PHILLIPS,
Secretary and Executive Officer.CITY COURT—TRIAL TERM,
PART I.

In view of the alterations going on in the old City Hall, the April term of Part I. of the City Court will be held in room known as Part III. of the Superior Court in the New Court-house.

By order of the Court.
MICHAEL T. DALY,
Clerk.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

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

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Mayor's Office.

No. 6 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.
ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor. ARTHUR BERRY,
Secretary and Chief Clerk.

Mayor's Marshal's Office.

No. 1 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
THOMAS W. BYRNES, First Marshal.
GEORGE W. BROWN, Jr., Second Marshal.

COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS.

Rooms 114 and 115, Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WM. PITT SHIRMAN, JAMES DALY.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSIONERS.

Room 200, Stewart Building, 5th floor, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.
JAMES C. SPENCER, President; JOHN C. SHERMAN,
Secretary; BENJAMIN S. CHURCH, Chief Engineer; J. C.
LULLY, Auditor.

BOARD OF ARMORY COMMISSIONERS.

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

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Office of Clerk of Common Council.

No. 8 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.
GEORGE H. FORSTER, President Board of Aldermen.
FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk Common Council.

City Library.

No. 12 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.
D. N. CARVALHO, City Librarian.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Commissioner's Office.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN NEWTON, Commissioner; D. LOWBER SMITH,
Deputy Commissioner.

Bureau of Chief Engineer.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
GEORGE W. BIRDSALL, Chief Engineer.

Bureau of Water Register.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN H. CHAMBERS, Register.

Bureau of Street Improvements.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WM. M. DEAN, Superintendent.

Engineer-in-Charge of Sewers.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
HORACE LOOMIS, Engineer-in-Charge.

Bureau of Repairs and Supplies.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WILLIAM G. BERGEN, Superintendent.

Bureau of Water Purveyor.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
ALSTON CULVER, Water Purveyor.

Bureau of Lamps and Gas.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
STEPHEN MCCORMICK, Superintendent.

Bureau of Streets.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
GEO. E. BARCOCK, Superintendent.

Bureau of Incumbrances.

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

Keeper of Buildings in City Hall Park.

MARTIN J. KEESE, City Hall.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

Comptroller's Office.

No. 15 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broad-
way, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
THEODORE W. MYERS, Comptroller; RICHARD A.
STOKES, Deputy Comptroller.

Auditing Bureau.

Nos. 19, 21, 23 Stewart Building, Chambers street and
Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WILLIAM J. LYON, First Auditor.
DAVID E. AUSTEN, Second Auditor.Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears
of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents.
Nos. 31, 33, 35, 37, 39 Stewart Building, Chambers
street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
ARTEMAS S. CADY, Collector of Assessments and
Clerk of Arrears.Bureau for the Collection of City Revenue and of
Markets.
Nos. 1 and 3 Stewart Building, Chambers street and
Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JAMES J. KELSO, Collector of the City Revenue and
Superintendent of Markets.
GRAHAM McADAM, Chief Clerk.Bureau for the Collection of Taxes.
No. 37 Chambers street and No. 35 Reade street,
Stewart Building.
GEORGE W. McLEAN, Receiver of Taxes; ALFRED
VREDEBURGH, Deputy Receiver of Taxes.Bureau of the City Chamberlain.
Nos. 25, 27 Stewart Building, Chambers street and
Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WM. M. IVINS, City Chamberlain.Office of the City Paymaster.
No. 33 Reade street, Stewart Building.
JOHN H. TIMMERMAN, City Paymaster.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Office of the Counsel to the Corporation.

Staats Zeitung Building, third floor, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
HENRY R. BREKMAN, Counsel to the Corporation
ANDREW T. CAMPBELL, Chief Clerk.

Office of the Public Administrator.

No. 45 Beekman street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
RICHARD J. MORRISON, Public Administrator.

Office of the Corporation Attorney.

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

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Central Office.

No. 300 Mulberry street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
STEPHEN B. FRENCH, President; WILLIAM H. KIPP,
Chief Clerk; JOHN J. O'BRIEN, Chief Bureau of Elections.DEPARTMENT OF CHARITIES AND CORREC-
TION.

Central Office.

No. 66 Third avenue, corner Eleventh street, 9 A. M. to
4 P. M.
THOMAS S. BRENNAN, President; GEORGE F. BRITTON,
Secretary.Purchasing Agent, FREDERICK A. CUSHMAN. Office
hours, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Closed Saturdays, 12 M.
Contracts, Proposals and Estimates for Work and Ma-
terials for Building, Repairs and Supplies, Bills and
Accounts, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Closed Saturdays, 12 M.
RUFUS L. WILDER, General Bookkeeper and Auditor.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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

Headquarters.

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

Bureau of Chief of Department.

CHARLES O. SHAY, Chief of Department.

Bureau of Inspector of Combustibles.

PETER SERBY, Inspector of Combustibles.

Bureau of Fire Marshals.

GEORGE H. SHIELDON, Fire Marshal.

Bureau of Inspection of Buildings.

ALBERT F. D'ORSCH, Superintendent of Buildings.

Attorney to Department.

WM. L. FINDLEY.

Fire Alarm Telegraph.

J. ELLIOT SMITH, Superintendent
Central Office open at all hours.

Repair Shops.

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

Hospital Stables.

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

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

No. 301 Mott street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

JAMES C. BAYLES, President; EDMONS CLARK,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

Emigrant Industrial Savings Bank Building, Nos. 49
and 51 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.J. HAMPORE ROBE, President; CHARLES DE F. BURNS,
Secretary.

Civil and Topographical Office.

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

Office of Superintendent of 23d and 24th Wards.

One Hundred and Forty-sixth street and Third ave-
nue, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

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

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

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

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS

Staats Zeitung Building, Tryon Row, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Saturdays, 12 M.MICHAEL COLEMAN, President; FLOYD T. SMITH,
Secretary.

Office Bureau Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes

Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
CHARLES S. BRADSHAW, Attorney; WILLIAM COM-
FORT, Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING.

49 and 51 Chambers street. Office hours, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

JAMES S. COLEMAN, Commissioner; JACOB SEAROLD,
Deputy Commissioner; R. W. HORNER, Chief Clerk.CIVIL SERVICE SUPERVISORY AND EXAMIN-
ING BOARDS.

Cooper Union.

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

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT.

Office of Clerk, Staats Zeitung Building Room 5.

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

BOARD OF ASSESSORS.

Office City Hall, Room No. 115, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

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

BOARD OF EXCISE

No. 54 Bond street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
CHARLES H. WOODMAN, President; DAVID S. WHITE,
Secretary and Chief Clerk.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

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

REGISTER'S OFFICE.

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

COMMISSIONER OF JURORS.

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

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE.

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

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.

Second floor, Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park,
9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN R. FELLOWS, District Attorney; JAMES McCABE,
Chief Clerk.

THE CITY RECORD OFFICE,

And Bureau of Printing, Stationery, and Blank Books.

No. 4 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M., except Saturdays,
which days 9 A. M. to 3 P. M.
THOMAS COSTIGAN, Supervisor; R. P. H. ABELL, Book-
keeper.

CORONERS' OFFICE.

Nos. 13 and 15 Chatham street, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M. Sun-
days and holidays, 8 A. M. to 12.30 P. M.
MICHAEL J. B. MESSEMER, FERDINAND LEVY, FERDINAND
EDMAN, JOHN E. NUGENT, Coroners; JOHN T.
TOAL, Clerk of the Board of Coroners.

SUPREME COURT.

Second floor, New County Court-house, opens at 10.30 A. M.
CHARLES H. VAN BRUNT, Presiding Justice; JAMES A.
FLACK, Clerk; THOMAS F. GILROY, Deputy County
Clerk.

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

Special Term, Part I, Room No. 10, HUGH DONNELLY,
Clerk.Special Term, Part II, Room No. 18, WILLIAM J.
HILL, Clerk.

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

Circuit, Part I, Room No. 12, ———, Clerk.

Circuit, Part II, Room No. 14, JOHN B. MCGOLDRICK,
Clerk.Circuit, Part III, Room No. 13, GEORGE F. LYON,
Clerk.

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

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

SUPERIOR COURT.

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

General Term, Room No. 35.

Special Term, Room No. 33.

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

Part I, Room No. 34.

Part II, Room No. 35.

Part III, Room No. 36.

Judges' Private Chambers, Room No. 30.

Naturalization Bureau, Room No. 32.

Clerk's Office, Room No. 31, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

JOHN SEDGWICK, Chief Judge; THOMAS BOESE, Chief
Clerk.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

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

Assignment Bureau, Room No. 23, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Clerk's Office, Room No. 22, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

General Term, Room No. 24, 11 o'clock A. M. to ad-
journment.Special Term, Room No. 21, 11 o'clock A. M. to ad-
journment.Chambers, Room No. 21, 10.30 o'clock A. M. to ad-
journment.

Part I, Room No. 25, 11 o'clock A. M. to adjournment.

Part II, Room No. 26, 11 o'clock A. M. to adjournment.

Part III, Room No. 27, 11 o'clock A. M. to adjournment.

Naturalization Bureau, Room No. 23, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

RICHARD L. LARREMORE, Chief Justice; NATHANIEL
JARVIS, Jr., Chief Clerk.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

No. 35 Chambers street. Parts I. and II. Court opens
at 10 o'clock A. M.FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder; HENRY A. GILDER-
SLEEVE and RUFUS B. COWING, Judges of the said Court.

Terms, first Monday each month.

JOHN SPARKS, Clerk. Office, Room No. 11 10 A. M. till
4 P. M.

CITY COURT.

City Hall.

General Term, Room No. 20.

Trial Term, Part I, Room No. 20.

Part II, Room No. 19.

Special Term, Chambers, Room No. 21, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Clerk's Office, Room No. 10, City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

DAVID McADAM, Chief Justice; MICHAEL T. DALY,
Clerk.

OVER AND TERMINER COURT

New County Court-house, second floor, southeast cor-
ner, Room No. 12. Court opens at 10.30 o'clock A. M.Clerk's Office, Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park,
second floor, northwest corner, Room No. 11, 10 A. M. till
4 P. M.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS.

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

Clerk's Office, Tombs.

DISTRICT CIVIL COURTS.

First District—First, Second, Third and Fifth Wards
southwest corner of Centre and Chambers streets.

MICHAEL NORTON, Justice.

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

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

stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for his faithful performance; and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they shall pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion, and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting; the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise; and that he has offered himself as surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by section 12 of chapter 7 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of New York, 1885, if the contract shall be awarded to the person or persons for whom he consents to become surety. The adequacy and sufficiency of this security shall, in addition to the justification and acknowledgment, be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.

No bid or estimate will be received or considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the State or National banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of FIVE PER CENTUM OF THE AMOUNT OF SECURITY REQUIRED FOR THE FAITHFUL PERFORMANCE OF THE CONTRACT. Such check or money must not be enclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the Estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the person making the same, within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited and retained by the City of New York, as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal, but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

Should the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded neglect or refuse to accept the contract within five days after written notice that the same has been awarded to him, or his or their bid or proposal, or if he or they accept but do not execute the contract and provide such proper security as has been heretofore stated to be requisite, he or they shall be considered as having abandoned the contract, and the contract will be re-awarded and let as provided by law.

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

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

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

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

Dated NEW YORK, June 18, 1888.

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

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

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR ONE PAVILION ON RANDALL'S ISLAND TO RELIEVE OVERCROWDING IN IDIOT ASYLUM.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR THE above-named work, in accordance with the specifications and plans, will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities and Correction, No. 66 Third Avenue, in the City of New York, until 9:30 o'clock A.M. of Friday, June 23, 1888. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for One Pavilion on Randall's Island, etc.," and with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of the Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President of said Department and read.

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

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

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

Any bidder making a bid is known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect; and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, each in the penal amount of TEN THOUSAND (\$10,000) dollars.

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

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance; and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they shall pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion, and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting; the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or

freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise; and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by section 12 of chapter 7 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of New York, 1885, if the contract shall be awarded to the person or persons for whom he consents to become surety. The adequacy and sufficiency of this security shall, in addition to the justification and acknowledgment, be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.

No bid or estimate will be received or considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the State or National banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of FIVE PER CENTUM OF THE AMOUNT OF SECURITY REQUIRED FOR THE FAITHFUL PERFORMANCE OF THE CONTRACT. Such check or money must not be enclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the Estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the person making the same, within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited and retained by the City of New York, as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal, but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

Should the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded neglect or refuse to accept the contract within five days after written notice that the same has been awarded to him, or his or their bid or proposal, or if he or they accept but do not execute the contract and provide such proper security as has been heretofore stated to be requisite, he or they shall be considered as having abandoned the contract, and the contract will be re-awarded and let as provided by law.

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

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

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

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

Dated NEW YORK, June 18, 1888.

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

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

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR GROCERIES, DRY GOODS, PAINTS, LIME, WOODENWARE, ETC.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING

GROCERIES, ETC.

9,400 pounds Dairy Butter, sample on exhibition, Thursday, June 28, 1888.

1,500 pounds Cheese.

5,000 pounds Dried Apples.

12,000 pounds Rio Coffee, roasted.

2,000 pounds Maracaibo Coffee, roasted.

1,000 pounds Macaroni.

10,000 pounds Oatmeal, price to include packages.

100 barrels Cuckers.

100 barrels Prime Quality American Salt, 30 pounds net each; to be delivered at Blackwell's Island within fifteen days.

25 barrels Pure Cider Vinegar.

650 barrels good sound White Potatoes, to weigh 172 pounds net per barrel.

50 barrels Prime Red or Yellow Onions, to weigh 150 pounds net per barrel.

100 barrels Prime Carrots, to weigh 130 pounds net per barrel.

1,600 heads prime good sized Cabbage.

25 kits prime quality No. 1 Mackerel, 20 pounds each.

50 bags Coarse Meal, 100 pounds net each.

75 bags Fine Meal, 100 pounds net each.

30 bushels Rye.

50 Sacks of Beans, prime quality, City Cured, to average about 14 pounds each.

20 tubs best quality kettle rendered Leaf Lard, 50 pounds each.

50 pieces prime quality City Cured Bacon, to average about 6 pounds.

50 prime quality City Cured Smoked Tongues, to average about six pounds.

3,200 dozen Fresh Eggs, all to be candled.

10 dozen Canned Salmon.

25 dozen Cherkins.

10 dozen Tomato Catsup.

100 barrels prime quality Charcoal, 3 bushels each.

CROCKERY

2 gross Pitchers, two-quart.

1 gross Basins.

DRY GOODS.

10 bales Cotton Batts, fifty pounds each, sixteen ounces to the pound.

1,000 yards Linen Diaper.

5,000 yards Bleached Muslin.

PAINTS, LIME, ETC.

10,000 pounds Pure White Lead, ground in oil, free from adulterations and any added impurities, and subject to analysis, if necessary, 50 roos.

10 barrels first quality Whiting.

25 barrels first quality Portland Cement.

25 barrels first quality Rosendale Cement.

25 barrels first quality W.W. Lime.

20 barrels first quality Chloride of Lime, containing not less than 35 per cent. of chlorine.

LEATHER, WOODENWARE, ETC.

1,000 pounds Offal Leather.

10 dozen W. W. Brushes.

25 dozen Dust Brushes.

10 dozen Window Brushes.

12 dozen Mop Handles.

20 coils best quality Manila Rope, 9-thread.

—will be received at the Department of Public Charities and Correction, in the City of New York, until 9:30 o'clock A.M. of Friday, June 23, 1888. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Groceries, Dry Goods, Paints, Lime, etc.," with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President of said Department and read.

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

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

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect; and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, each in the penal amount of fifty (50) per cent. of the ESTIMATED amount of the contract.

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

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance; and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they shall pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion, and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise; and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by section 12 of chapter 7 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of New York, 1885, if the contract shall be awarded to the person or persons for whom he consents to become surety. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.

No bid or estimate will be received or considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the State or National Banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of FIVE PER CENTUM OF THE AMOUNT OF SECURITY REQUIRED FOR THE FAITHFUL PERFORMANCE OF THE CONTRACT. Such check or money must not be enclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the Estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the person making the same, within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited and retained by the City of New York, as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Dated NEW YORK, June 18, 1888.

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

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

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR FLOUR.

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

2,000 barrels of sample marked No. 1.

2,000 barrels of sample marked No. 2.

Barrels not to be returned.

will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities and Correction, No. 66 Third Avenue, in the City of New York, until 9:30 o'clock A.M. of Friday, June 23, 1888. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Flour," with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President of said Department and read.

The contractor shall furnish a certificate of inspection by the Flour Inspector of the City of New York, and Exchange, also a certificate from the Committee on Flour of the Exchange, that the flour offered is equal to the standards of the Department, and which certificate shall accompany each delivery of flour, the expense of such inspection and award to be borne by the contractor, also certificate of weight and tare to be furnished with each delivery.

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

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

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

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

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect, and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, each in the penal amount of fifty (50) per cent. of the ESTIMATED amount of the contract.

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

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance; and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they shall pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion, and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting; the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise; and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by section 12 of chapter 7 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of New York, 1885, if the contract shall be awarded to the person or persons for whom he consents to become surety. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.

No bid or estimate will be received or considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the State or National Banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. Such check or money must not be enclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the Estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the person making the same, within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited and retained by the City of New York, as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Dated NEW YORK, June 18, 1888.

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

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

NEW YORK, June 20, 1888.

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 Morgue, Bellevue Hospital—From front of No. 244 East Thirty-fifth street—Unknown man, aged about 35 years; 5 feet 8 inches high; brown hair, moustache and whiskers. Had on dark coat, vest and pants, gaiters. Unknown man from foot of Chambers street, North river; body in an advanced state of decomposition; about nine months in water. Had on blue coat, dark vest and pants, red flannel shirt, laced shoes.

Unknown man from off Bedloe's Island; body in an advanced state of decomposition; about eight months in water. Had on gray knit undershirt, dark pants, gray socks, low cut shoes.

At Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's Island—Agnie Held, aged 46 years; 4 feet 10½ inches high; brown hair, blue eyes. Had on when admitted black felt hat, black sash, gray petticoat.

Nothing known of their friends or relatives.

By order, G. F. BRITTON, Secretary.

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

NEW YORK, June 16, 1888.

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 Morgue, Bellevue Hospital, from One Hundred and Fifty-ninth street and Harlem river—Unknown man, aged about 40 years; 5 feet 7 inches high. Had on blue jacket, jumper, black cardigan, brown pants, red flannel undershirt and drawers, brown socks, gaiters.

Unknown man, from Wolf street and Harlem river; aged about 35 years; 5 feet 7 inches high; dark brown hair, light brown eyes; light brown coat, brown pants, coat pants and vest, black and red barred flannel shirt, white knit drawers, gaiters.

office of the Department of Public Works, in the City of New York, there to remain until the 27th day of July, 1888.

Third—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All those lots, pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: Northerly by the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Forty-third and Forty-fourth streets; easterly by the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Forty-third and Forty-fourth streets; southerly by the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Forty-third and Forty-fourth streets; westerly by the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Forty-third and Forty-fourth streets; excepting from said area all the streets and avenues heretofore opened as such area is shown upon our benefit map deposited as aforesaid.

Fourth—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term thereof, to be held at the Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the twenty-fourth day of August, 1888, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, June 15, 1888.

EDWARD L. PARRIS,
JOHN JEROLMAN,
JOHN H. KITCHEN,
Commissioners.

CARROLL BERRY, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York, relative to the opening of NINETEENTH STREET, from Third Avenue to Fourth Avenue, in the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York.

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

First—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in these proceedings, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to us at our office, No. 200 Broadway (fifth floor), in the said city, on or before the twenty-fifth day of July, 1888, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said twenty-fifth day of July, 1888, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days at two o'clock p. m.

Second—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, in the City of New York, there to remain until the twenty-fifth day of July, 1888.

Third—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All those lots, pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: Northerly by the centre line of the block between Ninety-ninth and One Hundredth streets; easterly by the centre line of Third Avenue; southerly by the centre line of the block between Ninety-ninth and One Hundredth streets; westerly by the centre line of the block between Ninety-ninth and One Hundredth streets; excepting from said area all the streets and avenues heretofore opened as such area is shown upon our benefit map deposited as aforesaid.

Fourth—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term thereof, to be held at the Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 10th day of August, 1888, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, June 13, 1888.

EDWARD L. PARRIS,
OWEN W. FLANAGAN,
EDWARD C. SHEEHY,
Commissioners.

CARROLL BERRY, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York, relative to the opening of ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-THIRD STREET, from Eighth Avenue to the first new avenue west of Eighth Avenue, in the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York.

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

First—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in these proceedings, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to us at our office, No. 200 Broadway (fifth floor), in the said city, on or before the twentieth day of July, 1888, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said twentieth day of July, 1888, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days at two o'clock p. m.

Second—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, in the City of New York, there to remain until the twentieth day of July, 1888.

Third—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All those lots, pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: Northerly by the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Forty-second and One Hundred and Forty-third streets; easterly by the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Forty-second and One Hundred and Forty-third streets; southerly by the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Forty-second and One Hundred and Forty-third streets; westerly by the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Forty-second and One Hundred and Forty-third streets; excepting from said area all the streets and avenues heretofore opened as such area is shown upon our benefit map deposited as aforesaid.

Fourth—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term thereof, to be held at the Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 10th day of August, 1888, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, June 1, 1888.

EDWARD L. PARRIS,
FRANCIS HIGGINS,
JOSEPH MCGUIRE,
Commissioners.

CARROLL BERRY, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York, relative to the opening of ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-THIRD STREET, from Eighth Avenue to the first new avenue west of Eighth Avenue, in the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York.

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

First—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in these proceedings, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to us at our office, No. 200 Broadway (fifth floor), in the said city, on or before the twentieth day of July, 1888, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said twentieth day of July, 1888, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days at three o'clock p. m.

Second—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, in the City of New York, there to remain until the twentieth day of July, 1888.

Third—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All those lots, pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: Northerly by the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Forty-third and One Hundred and Forty-fourth streets; easterly by the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Forty-third and One Hundred and Forty-fourth streets; southerly by the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Forty-third and One Hundred and Forty-fourth streets; westerly by the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Forty-third and One Hundred and Forty-fourth streets; excepting from said area all the streets and avenues heretofore opened as such area is shown upon our benefit map deposited as aforesaid.

Fourth—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term thereof, to be held at the Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 10th day of August, 1888, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, June 1, 1888.

FRANCIS HIGGINS,
EDWARD L. PARRIS,
JOSEPH MCGUIRE,
Commissioners.

CARROLL BERRY, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York, relative to the opening of DYCKMAN STREET, from Kingsbridge road to Exterior street, in the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road by the Department of Public Parks.

PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES IN SUCH cases made and provided, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held at Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house in the City of New York, on Thursday, the 28th day of June, 1888, at the opening of the Court on that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter. The nature and extent of the improvement hereby intended is the acquisition of title, in the name and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York, for the use of the public, to all the lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, required for the opening of a certain street or avenue known as Dyckman street, from Kingsbridge road to Exterior street, in the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road by the Department of Public Parks, being the following-described lots, pieces or parcels of land, viz.:

Beginning at a point in the easterly line of Kingsbridge road, said point being 1,207 1/2 feet northerly from the southerly side of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, and distant 2,234 1/2 feet westerly from the easterly line of Tenth Avenue; thence easterly and in a straight line, distance 2,666 1/2 feet (also the same distance) to a point in the westerly line of a new street or avenue to be called Neagle Avenue, said point being 12,051 1/2 feet northerly from the southerly line of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, and distant 1,207 1/2 feet easterly from the easterly line of Tenth Avenue; thence southerly and at an angle of 156° 29' and 37' distance 1,221 1/2 feet to the westerly side of Exterior street, being 105 feet westerly and parallel with the United States Canal line; thence northerly along said westerly line distance 177 1/2 feet; thence northerly 1,095 1/2 feet; thence westerly and at an angle of 156° 29' 37' distance 2,666 1/2 feet to the easterly line of Kingsbridge road; thence southerly along said road distance 50 1/2 feet to a point or place of beginning.

Said Dyckman street to be 100 feet wide between the lines of Kingsbridge road and Exterior street at Harlem river.

Dated New York, May 25, 1888.

HENRY R. BEEKMAN,
Counsel to the Corporation,
No. 2 Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been acquired, to that part of BUNGAY STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), commencing at East One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, and extending to the Long Island Sound, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road by said Department.

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

First—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in these proceedings, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to us at our office, No. 200 Broadway (fifth floor), in the said city, on or before the 14th day of July, 1888, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said 14th day of July, 1888, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days at four o'clock p. m.

Second—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, in the City of New York, there to remain until the 14th day of July, 1888.

Third—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All those lots, pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: Northerly by the southerly side of the block between the westerly side of East One Hundred and Forty-ninth street; easterly by the centre line of the block between Bungay street and East One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, Bungay street and Truxton street, and a line drawn parallel, or nearly so,

with and distant about one hundred and twenty-four feet easterly from the easterly side of Bungay street and extending from the northerly side of Edgewater road to Long Island Sound; southerly by the Long Island Sound, and westerly by the centre line of the block between Bungay street and Walnut Avenue, the centre line of the block between Bungay street and Westmore Avenue, and the centre line of the block between Bungay street and St. Joseph's Avenue; excepting from said area all the streets, avenues and roads, or portions thereof heretofore legally opened and all the unimproved land included within the lines of streets, avenues, roads, public squares or places shown and laid out upon any map or maps filed by the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 404 of the Laws of 1872, and the laws amendatory thereof, or of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, as such area is shown upon our benefit map deposited as aforesaid.

Fourth—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term thereof, to be held at the Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 10th day of August, 1888, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, May 18, 1888.

EDWARD L. PARRIS,
THOMAS J. MILLER,
ADOLPH L. SANGER,
Commissioners.

CARROLL BERRY, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York, relative to the opening of SIXTY-THIRD STREET, from Tenth Avenue to Edgecombe road, in the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a third-class street or road by s. d. Board.

PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES IN SUCH cases made and provided, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held at Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 28th day of June, 1888, at the opening of the Court on that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter. The nature and extent of the improvement hereby intended is the acquisition of title, in the name and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York, for the use of the public, to all the lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, required for the opening of a certain street or avenue known as One Hundred and Sixty-third street, from Tenth Avenue to Edgecombe road, in the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a third-class street or road by the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York, being the following-described lots, pieces or parcels of land, viz.:

Beginning at a point in the easterly line of Tenth Avenue, distant 2,073 1/2 feet northerly from the southerly side of Fifty-fifth street, and distant 1,207 1/2 feet easterly and parallel with said street 532 feet 10 1/2 inches to the westerly line of Edgecombe road; thence northerly along said line 81 feet 2 1/4 inches; thence westerly 510 feet, and 16 feet of inch to the easterly line of Tenth Avenue; thence southerly along said line 80 feet to the point or place of beginning.

Said street to be 80 feet wide between the lines of Tenth Avenue and Edgecombe road.

Dated New York, May 25, 1888.

HENRY R. BEEKMAN,
Counsel to the Corporation,
No. 2 Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title to the lands required for the widening of FIFTH AVENUE, between One Hundred and Ninth and One Hundred and Tenth streets, and one hundred feet north of the southerly line of the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York, for a public place, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1886.

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

First—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in these proceedings, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to us at our office, No. 200 Broadway (fifth floor), in the said city, on or before the 14th day of July, 1888, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said 14th day of July, 1888, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days at four o'clock p. m.

Second—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, in the City of New York, there to remain until the nineteenth day of July, 1888.

Third—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All those lots, pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: Northerly by the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Twelfth and One Hundred and Thirteenth streets, and extending from the easterly side of Sixth Avenue to within 100 feet of the westerly side of Fifth Avenue, the southerly side of One Hundred and Thirteenth street, and the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Twelfth and One Hundred and Thirteenth streets, and extending from a point 100 feet easterly from the easterly side of Fifth Avenue, to the easterly side of Fourth Avenue, easterly by a line parallel with and distant 100 feet easterly from the easterly side of Fifth Avenue and extending from the southerly side of the block between One Hundred and Twelfth and One Hundred and Thirteenth streets, the westerly side of Fourth Avenue, and by a line parallel with and distant 100 feet easterly from the easterly side of Fifth Avenue, and extending from the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Seventh and One Hundred and Eighth streets to the northerly side of One Hundred and Sixth street; westerly by the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Seventh and One Hundred and Eighth streets, the northerly side of One Hundred and Sixth street and the northerly side of One Hundred and Seventh street; easterly by the easterly side of Fifth Avenue, the easterly side of Sixth Avenue, and a line parallel with and distant 100 feet westerly from the westerly side of Fifth Avenue, and extending from the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Twelfth and One Hundred and Thirteenth streets to the southerly side of One Hundred and Thirteenth street.

Fourth—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term thereof, to be held at the Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 10th day of July, 1888, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as

soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, May 2, 1888.

EDWARD L. PARRIS,
ADOLPH L. SANGER,
JOHN WHALEN,
Commissioners.

CARROLL BERRY, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Works, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York, relative to the opening of ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-EIGHTH STREET, from Eighth Avenue to the first new avenue west of Eighth Avenue, and from Avenue St. Nicholas to the Hudson river, in the City of New York.

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

First—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in these proceedings, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to us at our office, No. 200 Broadway (fifth floor), in the said city, on or before the nineteenth day of June, 1888, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said nineteenth day of June, 1888, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days at three o'clock p. m.

Second—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, in the City of New York, there to remain until the nineteenth day of June, 1888.

Third—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All those lots, pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: Northerly by the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Forty-eighth and One Hundred and Forty-ninth streets; easterly by the westerly side of Eighth Avenue; southerly by the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Forty-eighth and One Hundred and Forty-ninth streets, and westerly by the bulkhead-line of the Hudson river; excepting from said area all the streets and avenues heretofore opened, as such area is shown upon our benefit map deposited as aforesaid.

Fourth—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term thereof, to be held at the Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 10th day of July, 1888, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, April 27, 1888.

JAMES J. KELSO,
DAVID DE VERNY,
GEO. CAULFIELD,
Commissioners.

CARROLL BERRY, Clerk.

BOARD OF STREET OPENING AND IMPROVEMENT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN IN ACCORDANCE with the provisions of section 105 of chapter 335 of the Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed April 30, 1873; chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882; chapter 350 of the Laws of 1883, and chapter 185 of the Laws of 1885, and of all other provisions of law relating thereto:

That the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York deem it for the public interest to alter the map or plan of the City of New York by laying out, opening and extending Fifty-fourth street, of a uniform width of sixty feet, between the lines of Tenth Avenue to the bulkhead-line of the Hudson river, in the Twenty-ninth Ward, beginning at a point in the westerly line of Tenth Avenue distant two hundred feet ten inches southerly from the southerly line of Fifty-fifth street; thence westerly, parallel with said street, eight hundred feet to the easterly line of Twelfth Avenue; thence southerly along said line sixty feet; thence easterly eight hundred feet to the westerly line of Tenth Avenue; thence northerly along said line sixty feet to the point or place of beginning; also, beginning at a point in the westerly line of Eleventh Avenue distant two hundred feet ten inches southerly from the southerly line of Fifty-fifth street; thence westerly and parallel with said street one thousand and fifty feet to the bulkhead-line of the Hudson river; thence southerly along said line sixty feet; thence easterly one thousand and fifty feet to the westerly line of Eleventh Avenue; thence northerly along said line sixty feet to the point or place of beginning; also, beginning at a point in the westerly line of Eleventh Avenue distant two hundred feet ten inches southerly from the southerly line of Fifty-fifth street; thence westerly and parallel with said street one thousand and fifty feet to the bulkhead-line of the Hudson river; thence southerly along said line sixty feet; thence easterly one thousand and fifty feet to the westerly line of Eleventh Avenue; thence northerly along said line sixty feet to the point or place of beginning, said street to be sixty feet wide between the lines of Tenth Avenue and the bulkhead-line of the Hudson river.

And that they propose to alter the map or plan of said City of New York by laying out, opening and extending said street as aforesaid.

And that such proposed action of this Board has been duly laid before the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York.

Dated June 7, 1888.

WILLIAM V. I. MERCER,
Secretary.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN IN ACCORDANCE with the provisions of section 105 of chapter 335 of the Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed April 30, 1873; chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882; chapter 350 of the Laws of 1883, and chapter 185 of the Laws of 1885, and of all other provisions of law relating thereto:

That the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York deem it for the public interest to alter the map or plan of the City of New York by laying out, opening and extending One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, of a uniform width of sixty feet, between the lines of the Boulevard and Tenth Avenue, in the Twelfth Ward, beginning at a point in the westerly line of Tenth Avenue distant one hundred and ninety-nine feet ten inches northerly from the northerly line of One Hundred and Thirteenth street, and extending from the easterly side of Fifth Avenue to within 100 feet of the westerly side of Fifth Avenue, and extending from the southerly side of the block between One Hundred and Twelfth and One Hundred and Thirteenth streets, the westerly side of Fourth Avenue, and by a line parallel with and distant 100 feet easterly from the easterly side of Fifth Avenue, and extending from the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Seventh and One Hundred and Eighth streets to the northerly side of One Hundred and Sixth street; westerly by the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Seventh and One Hundred and Eighth streets, the northerly side of One Hundred and Sixth street and the northerly side of One Hundred and Seventh street; easterly by the easterly side of Fifth Avenue, the easterly side of Sixth Avenue, and a line parallel with and distant 100 feet westerly from the westerly side of Fifth Avenue, and extending from the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Twelfth and One Hundred and Thirteenth streets to the southerly side of One Hundred and Thirteenth street.

And that they propose to alter the map or plan of said City of New York by laying out, opening and extending said street as aforesaid.

And that such proposed action of this Board has been duly laid before the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York.

Dated June 7, 1888.

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That the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York deem it for the public interest to alter the map or plan of the City of New York by laying

out, opening and extending Fifty-second street of a uniform width of sixty feet, between the lines of Eleventh avenue and the bulkhead-line of the Hudson river, said street being more particularly bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point in the westerly line of Eleventh avenue, distant two hundred feet ten inches northerly from the northerly line of Fifty-first street; thence westerly and parallel with said street one thousand and fifty feet to the bulkhead-line of the Hudson river; thence northerly along said line sixty feet; thence easterly one thousand and fifty feet to the westerly line of Eleventh avenue; thence southerly along said line sixty feet to the point or place of beginning, said street to be sixty feet wide between Eleventh avenue and bulkhead-line of the Hudson river.

And that they propose to alter the map or plan of said City of New York by laying out, opening and extending said street aforesaid.

And that such proposed action of this Board has been duly laid before the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York.

Dated June 7, 1888.

WILLIAM V. L. MERCER,
Secretary

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE,
ROOM 209, STEWART BUILDING, NO. 280 BROADWAY,
NEW YORK, JUNE 15, 1888.

TO CONTRACTORS.

BIDS OR PROPOSALS FOR DEEPENING AND finishing Shaft No. 24, on Section A of the New Aqueduct, and constructing a Head House connected therewith and doing all other work necessary to complete said shaft as called for in the approved forms of contract and specifications on file in the office of the Aqueduct Commissioners, will be received at this office until Tuesday, the 3d day of July, 1888, at 2 o'clock p.m., at which place and hour they will be publicly opened by the Aqueduct Commissioners, and the award of the contract for said work and furnishing said material will be made by said Commissioners as soon thereafter as possible.

Blank forms of said approved contract and the specifications therefor, and bids or proposals and proper envelopes for their enclosure, and form of bonds, and also the plans for said work and all other information, can be obtained at the above office of the Aqueduct Commissioners on application to the Secretary.

By order of the Aqueduct Commissioners,

JAMES C. SPENCER,
President.

JOHN C. SHEERAN,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING,
Nos. 49 and 51 CHAMBERS STREET,
NEW YORK, JUNE 8, 1888.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

THE COMMISSIONER OF STREET CLEANING hereby gives notice that he will receive propositions from parties wishing to undertake the work of "Trimming Sews" at all the dumping-places and dumping places of the Department of Street Cleaning, until 12 o'clock p.m. of Monday, the 2d day of July, proximo.

The propositions should be in writing, enclosed in a sealed envelope, addressed to the Commissioner of Street Cleaning, and marked "Proposition for Trimming Sews," and should state the price the party agrees to pay, weekly in advance, for the aforesaid privilege.

A special deposit, not exceeding \$2,000 nor less than \$1,000, the specific sum to be determined by the Commissioner of Street Cleaning, will be required to be deposited with the Comptroller of the City of New York before the execution of the contract, as a security for the faithful performance of its terms and conditions.

The form of contract to be entered into may be inspected and further information obtained at the office of the Department of Street Cleaning on application to the Chief Clerk.

JAMES S. COLEMAN,
Commissioner of Street Cleaning.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the School Trustees for the Eleventh Ward, at the Hall of the Board of Education, No. 146 Grand street, on Tuesday, June 26, and until 2 o'clock p.m. on said day, for making Repairs, Alterations, etc., at Grammar School Buildings Nos. 12, 22 and 71, and Primary School Building No. 5; for making Repairs, Alterations, etc., at Grammar School Buildings Nos. 22, 26 and 71, and Primary School Buildings Nos. 5 and 31; also, Heating Apparatus, etc., in Grammar School Building No. 12 and Primary School Building No. 31; also, for New Furniture for Grammar Schools Nos. 12, 22 and 71.

Plans and specifications may be seen, and blank proposals obtained at the office of the Superintendent of School Buildings, No. 146 Grand street, third floor.

The committee reserve the right to reject any or all of the proposals submitted.

The party submitting a proposal, and the parties proposing to become sureties, must each write his name and place of residence on said proposal.

Two responsible and approved sureties, residents of this city, are required in all cases.

No proposals will be considered from persons whose character and antecedent dealings with the Board of Education render their responsibility doubtful.

LEWIS S. GOEBEL, Chairman,
M. L. PHILLIPS, Secretary,
Board of School Trustees, Eleventh Ward.

Dated New York, June 13, 1888.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
ROOM 6, NO. 31 CHAMBERS STREET,
NEW YORK, JUNE 14, 1888.

TO CONTRACTORS.

BIDS OR ESTIMATES, INCLOSED IN A SEALED envelope, with the title of the work and the name of the bidder indorsed thereon, also the number of the work as in the advertisement, will be received at this office until 12 o'clock p.m. Wednesday, June 27, 1888, at which place and hour they will be publicly opened by the head of the Department.

No. 1. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH MACADAM PAVEMENT THE ROADWAYS OF ST. NICHOLAS AVENUE, from One Hundred and Fifty feet to its intersection with Tenth avenue, and KINGS-BRIDGE ROAD, from its intersection with Tenth avenue to One Hundred and Ninetieth street.

No. 2. FOR SEWER IN WEST END AVENUE, between Eighty-ninth and Ninety-first streets.

Each estimate must contain the name and place of residence of the person making the same, the names of all persons interested with him therein, and if no other person be so interested, it shall distinctly state that fact. That it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same work, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. That no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy or clerk therein, or any other person connected with the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested in the estimate or in the work to which it relates or in the profits thereof.

Each estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party making the same, and the same must be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, to the effect that if the contract is awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, upon its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance; and that if he shall refuse or neglect to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled upon its completion, and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person to whom the contract shall be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bid is made.

The consent last above mentioned must be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of the contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety, or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as surety in good faith, with the intention to execute the bond required by law.

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the State or National banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. Such check or money must not be in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the Estimate-book, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by the officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same, within three days after the award of the contract. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS RECEIVED FOR ANY PARTICULAR WORK IF HE DEEMS IT FOR THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CITY.

Blank forms of bid or estimate, the proper envelopes in which to inclose the same, the specifications and agreements, and any further information desired, can be obtained at Rooms 1 and 6, No. 31 Chambers street.

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

REGULATIONS ESTABLISHING A SCALE OF WATER RENTS AND RULES GOVERNING THE USE OF WATER, FOR THE CITY OF NEW YORK, BY ORDER OF JOHN NEWTON, COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS.

UNDER CHAPTER 410, LAWS 1882, SECTIONS 330, 331, 332 and 333, and as amended by chapter 559, Laws 1877.

The regulation of public works shall, from time to time, establish scales of rents for the supply of water, which rents shall be collected in the manner now provided by law, and which shall be appropriated to different classes of buildings in said city in reference to their dimensions, values, exposure to fires, ordinary uses for dwellings, stores, shops, private stables and other common purposes, number of families or occupants, or consumption of water, as near as may be practicable, and modify, alter, amend and increase such scale from time to time, and extend it to other descriptions of buildings and establishments. *All extra charges for water shall be deemed to be included in the regular rents, and shall become a charge and lien upon the buildings upon which they are respectively imposed, and, if not paid, shall be returned as arrears to the clerk of arrears.* Such regular rents, including the extra charges above mentioned, shall be collected from the owners or occupants of all such buildings respectively, which shall be situated upon lots adjoining any street or avenue in said city in which the distribution water-pipes are or may be laid, and from which they can be supplied with water. Said rents, including the extra charges aforesaid, shall become a charge and lien upon such houses and lots, respectively, as herein provided, but no charge shall ever shall be made against any building in which a water-meter may have been, or shall be placed as provided in this act. In all such cases the charge for water shall be determined by the quantity of water actually used as shown by said meters.

The said commissioner of public works is hereby authorized to prescribe a penalty not exceeding the sum of five dollars for each offense, for permitting water to be wasted, and for any violation of such reasonable rules as he may, from time to time, prescribe for the prevention of the waste of water; such penalty shall be added to the regular water rents.

The regular annual rents to be collected by the Department of Public Works shall be, to wit:

Croton Water Rates for Buildings from 10 to 50 feet, all others not specified subject to Special Rates.

FRONT WIDTH.

	1 Story.	2 Stories.	3 Stories.	4 Stories.	5 Stories.
16 feet and under.	\$4.00	\$5.00	\$6.00	\$7.00	\$8.00
17 to 18 feet.	5.00	6.00	7.00	8.00	9.00
19 to 20 feet.	6.00	7.00	8.00	9.00	10.00
20 to 22½ feet.	7.00	8.00	9.00	10.00	11.00
22½ to 25 feet.	8.00	9.00	10.00	11.00	12.00
25 to 30 feet.	10.00	11.00	12.00	13.00	14.00
30 to 37½ feet.	13.00	14.00	15.00	16.00	17.00
37½ to 50 feet.	14.00	15.00	16.00	17.00	18.00

The rent of all tenements which shall exceed in width fifty feet shall be the subject of special contract with the Commissioner of Public Works.

The apportionment of the regular rents upon dwelling-houses are on the basis that but one family is to occupy the same, and for each additional family, one dollar per year shall be charged.

Meters will be placed on all houses where waste of water is found, and they will be charged at rates fixed by the Department for all the water passing through them.

The extra and miscellaneous rates shall be as follows to wit:

BAKERIES.—For the average daily use of flour, for each barrel, three dollars per annum.

BARBER SHOPS. shall be charged from five to twenty dollars per annum each in the discretion of the Commissioner of Public Works; an additional charge of five dollars per annum shall be made for each bath-tub therein.

BATHING TUBS in private houses, beyond one, shall be charged at three dollars per annum each, and five dollars per annum each in public houses, boarding-houses, and bathing establishments. Combination stationary wash-tubs, having a movable division in the centre and capable of use for bathing, shall be charged the same as bathing tubs.

BUILDING PURPOSES.—For each one thousand bricks laid, or for stone-work—to be measured as brick—ten cents per thousand. For plastering, forty cents per hundred yards.

COWS.—For each and every cow, one dollar per annum.

DINING SALOONS shall be charged an annual rate of from five to twenty dollars, in the discretion of the Commissioner of Public Works.

FISH STANDS (retail) shall be charged five dollars per annum each.

For all stables not metered, the rates shall be as follows:

HORSES, PRIVATE.—For two horses there shall be charged ten dollars per annum; and for each additional horse, two dollars.

HORSES, LIVERY.—For each horse up to and not exceeding thirty in number, one dollar and fifty cents each per annum; and for each additional horse, one dollar.

HORSES, OMNIBUS AND CART.—For each horse, one dollar per annum.

HORSE TROUGHS.—For each trough, and for each half barrel or tub on sidewalk or street, twenty dollars per annum; each trough is to be fitted with a proper ball-lock to prevent waste.

HOTELS AND BOARDING HOUSES shall, in addition to the regular rate for private families, be charged for each lodging room, at the discretion of the Commissioner of Public Works.

LAUNDRIES shall be charged from eight to twenty dollars per annum, in the discretion of the Commissioner of Public Works.

LIQUOR AND LAGER BEER SALOONS shall be charged an annual rate of ten dollars each. An additional charge of five dollars per annum shall be made for each wash-tub or water-closet.

PHOTOGRAPH GALLERIES shall be charged an annual rate of from five to twenty dollars, in the discretion of the Commissioner of Public Works.

PRINTING OFFICES, when not metered, shall be charged at such rates as may be determined by the Commissioner of Public Works.

SODA, MINERAL WATER AND ROOT BEER FOUNTAINS shall be charged five dollars per annum each.

STEAM ENGINES, where not metered, shall be charged by the horse-power, as follows: For each horse-power up to and not exceeding ten, the sum of ten dollars per annum; for each exceeding ten, and not over fifteen, the sum of seven dollars and fifty cents each; and for each horse-power over fifteen, the sum of five dollars.

WATER-CLOSETS AND URINALS.—To each building on a lot one water-closet having sewer connection is allowed without charge; each additional water-closet or urinal will be charged as hereinafter stated. All closets and urinals not connected with the sewer shall be charged two dollars for each seat per annum, whether in a building or on any other portion of the premises.

Urinals shall be charged two dollars per annum each, if not connected with the sewer.

WATER.—For each tap or water-closet, not metered, shall be supplied direct from the Croton supply, through any form of the so-called single or double valves, hopper-cocks, stop-cocks, self-closing cocks, or any valve or cock of any description attached to the water-closet, each, per year, twenty dollars.

For any pan, closet, or any of the forms of valve, plunger, or other water-closet not before mentioned, supplied with water as above described, per year, ten dollars.

For any form of hopper or water-closet, supplied from the ordinary system of cistern filled with ball-cock, and overflow pipe that communicates with the pipe to the water-closet, so that overflow will run into the hopper or water-closet, when ball-cock is defective, or from which an unlimited amount of water can be drawn by holding up the handle, per year, each, five dollars.

For any form of hopper or water-closet, supplied from any of the forms of waste-preventing cisterns, that are approved by the Engineer of the Croton Aqueduct, and are so constructed that not more than three gallons of water can be drawn at each lift of the handle, or depression of the seat, if such cisterns are provided with an overflow pipe, such overflow pipe must connect with the water-closet, but be carried like a safe-waste, as provided by the Board of Health regulations, per year, two dollars.

Cistern answering this description can be seen at this Department.

It is provided by section 352, Laws of 1882, that "all expenses of meters, their connections and setting, water rates, and other lawful charges for the supply of Croton water, shall be a lien upon the premises where such water is supplied, as now provided by law."

All manufacturing and other business requiring a large supply of water will be fitted with a meter.

Water measured by meter, ten cents per one hundred cubic feet.

METERS.

Under the provisions of section 352, Consolidated Act 1882, water-meters, of approved pattern, shall be hereafter placed on the pipes supplying all stores, workshops, hotels, manufactories, public edifices, at wharves, ferry-houses, stables, and in all places where water is furnished for business consumption, except private dwellings.

It is provided by section 352, Laws of 1882, that "all expenses of meters, their connections and setting, water rates, and other lawful charges for the supply of Croton water, shall be a lien upon the premises where such water is supplied, as now provided by law."

All manufacturing and other business requiring a large supply of water will be fitted with a meter.

Water measured by meter, ten cents per one hundred cubic feet.

Rate Without Meters.

PER DAY, GALLONS.	PER 100 GALLONS, RATE.	PER ANNUM, AMOUNT.
25	05	\$3.75
50	05	7.50
75	05	11.25
100	05	15.00
125	05	18.75
150	05	22.50
175	05	26.25
200	05	30.00
225	05	33.75
250	05	37.50
275	05	41.25
300	05	45.00
325	05	48.75
350	05	52.50
375	05	56.25
400	05	60.00
425	05	63.75
450	05	67.50
475	05	71.25
500	05	75.00
525	05	78.75
550	05	82.50
575	05	86.25
600	05	90.00
625	05	93.75
650	05	97.50
675	05	101.25
700	05	105.00
725	05	108.75
750	05	112.50
775	05	116.25
800	05	120.00
825	05	123.75
850	05	127.50
875	05	131.25
900	05	135.00
925	05	138.75
950	05	142.50
975	05	146.25
1,000	05	150.00
1,025	05	153.75
1,050	05	157.50
1,075	05	161.25
1,100	05	165.00
1,125	05	168.75
1,150	05	172.50
1,175	05	176.25
1,200	05	180.00
1,225	05	183.75
1,250	05	187.50
1,275	05	191.25
1,300	05	195.00
1,325	05	198.75
1,350	05	202.50
1,375	05	206.25
1,400	05	210.00
1,425	05	213.75
1,450	05	217.50
1,475	05	221.25
1,500	05	225.00
1,525	05	228.75
1,550	05	232.50
1,575	05	236.25
1,600	05	240.00
1,625	05	243.75
1,650	05	247.50
1,675	05	251.25
1,700	05	255.00
1,725	05	258.75
1,750	05	262.50
1,775	05	266.25
1,800	05	270.00
1,825	05	273.75
1,850	05	277.50
1,875	05	281.25
1,900	05	285.00
1,925	05	288.75
1,950	05	292.50
1,975	05	296.25
2,000	05	300.00

The rate charged for steam-vessels taking water daily or belonging to daily lines, is one-half cent per ton (Custom House measurement) for each time they take water.

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

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

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

HYDRANTS, HOSE, TROUGHS, FOUNTAINS, ETC., ETC.

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

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

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

No horse-troughs or horse-watering fixtures will be permitted in the street or on the sidewalk, except upon a license or permit taken out for that purpose. All licenses or permits must be annually renewed on the first of May. Such fixtures must be kept in good order and the water not allowed to drip or waste by overflowing the sidewalk or street, or to become dangerous in winter by freezing in and about such troughs or fixtures.

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

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

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

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

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

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

By order,

JOHN NEWTON,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE AS TO WATER RATES.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in compliance with the provisions of chapter 559, Laws of 1887, amending sections 350 and 321 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, passed June 9, 1887, the following changes are made in charging and collecting water rents:

1st.