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WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 1884.

REGULAR MEETING—10 A. M.

Present—Commissioner VIELE, President.
“ WALES,
“ CRIMMINS,
“ OLLIFFE.

On motion, the regular order of business was suspended.

Post, Mr.—Riverside avenue.

Mr. Post appeared before the Board and presented petitions signed by property-owners fronting on Riverside avenue, remonstrating against the “manner or plan of the present improvement of said avenue,” between One Hundred and Twenty-second and One Hundred and Twenty-seventh streets; and asking for the opening of One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, from the Boulevard to Riverside Drive.

Referred to the President to report upon.

Port Morris Park.

Mr. F. B. Chedsey appeared and presented petitions signed by Andrew A. French, Henry Purdy, M. E. Tooker and others, protesting against the taking of land for the proposed park at Port Morris, in Twenty-third Ward.

Ordered filed.

Washington avenue opening. }
170th street opening. }

Alderman Fullgraff appeared and presented a petition, signed by Henry Zeltner, John Shiel and others, for the open-

ing of One Hundred and Seventieth street to Webster avenue, and a change of the grade of said street at Railroad avenue ; also a petition, signed by Frederick Folz, N. Weiner and others, for the opening of Washington avenue, to its full width, from North Third avenue and East One Hundred and Fifty-ninth street to East One Hundred and Eighty-seventh street.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer to report upon.

Cromwell avenue opening.

Mr. W. W. Walker appeared and presented a petition, signed J. J. Astor, for the opening of Cromwell avenue, from Sedgwick avenue to Endrow place, also Endrow place, from Cromwell avenue to Jerome avenue.

Referred to Topographical Engineer.

Central avenue—sewer.

Mr. Walker also presented a communication in relation to the proposed construction of a sewer in Central avenue.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the Acting Engineer of Construction be and he is hereby directed to prepare plans and specifications for the construction of a trunk sewer in Central avenue, the plans to provide for tunneling instead of cutting at points where that plan would be the most practicable and economical.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Bridge above High Bridge.

On motion, the subject of the consideration of plans for the erection of a bridge across the Harlem river north of High Bridge was taken up.

H. N. Camp appeared and presented a communication signed Hugh N. Camp, G. L. Dashwood, L. G. Morris, Gustav Schwab, H. M. F. Mali, and others, favoring the adoption of the plan as submitted by Mr. Wilson, which shows stone piers and abutments and marked No. 1, and giving in detail their reasons therefor.

L. G. Morris appeared, and presented in writing, his recommendation of said plan.

Mr. George W. McNulty and Mr. Joseph M. Wilson appeared, and gave information and explanations relative to the plans submitted by them.

The regular order of business was then resumed.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following communications were received :

Board of Aldermen.

From the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen, transmitting copies of the following ordinances, adopted by said Board and approved by the Mayor :

Fencing lots—141st street and Alexander avenue.

1st. Ordinance to fence vacant lots on northwest corner of One Hundred and Forty-first street and Alexander avenue.

Regulating, etc.—Spuyten Duyvil Parkway.

2d. Ordinance to regulate, grade, etc., the Spuyten Duyvil Parkway.

Crosswalks—Railroad avenue.

3d. Ordinance to lay a crosswalk across Railroad avenue, near One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street.

Referred to the Acting Engineer of Construction.

[Wednesday,

Guidet, Charles—Opinion Counsel to Corporation.

The following opinions were received from the Counsel to the Corporation :

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, }
NEW YORK, May 6, 1884. }

E. P. BARKER, Esq.,

Secretary of the Department of Public Parks :

SIR—I duly received your letter of the 1st of February last, enclosing a communication from Charles Guidet, in relation to the work of paving tranverse roads in the Central Park, for which he claims to have a contract, and requesting my opinion in relation to the matter.

From your letter and Mr. Guidet's communications, and subsequent statements made to me by the officers of the Park Department, and from the papers on file in this office, the facts in relation to this matter appear to be as follows :

In 1871, the Park Department requested proposals from Mr. Guidet for paving four transverse roads in the Central Park. In response to this request, Mr. Guidet put in a bid, which was an offer to do all the work on the four roads. He subsequently received orders from the Department to pave two of the roads, performed the work, and received his pay therefor. In the early part of 1872, he was notified that the Department did not consider that he had the right to do the work on the other two roads, and that it proposed to let the contract to other persons.

Mr. Guidet protested against this action on the part of the Department, and commenced a suit to prevent the Department from letting the contracts to any one except himself. In this action he obtained a temporary injunction which was subsequently dissolved, the Court holding that, if Mr. Guidet had a right to the contracts for the other two roads, and the Department did not allow him to do the work, he could be fully compensated by damages. That suit is still pending undetermined.

May 7, 1884.]

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I cannot advise the Department positively what would be the result of the litigation between Mr. Guidet and the city, if the case should be brought to trial.

The form of his bid was an offer to pave the whole four roads, and he probably could not have been *required* under this offer, to pave either road, unless he was allowed to pave the whole. He claims that his bid was accepted, as a whole, by the action of the Department in directing him to do the work on the two roads, accepting the same, and causing payment therefor to be made.

It would, of course, be desirable to end this litigation, and if Mr. Guidet is now willing to do the work upon the other two roads at prices which the Department regards as fair and reasonable, I think it would be for the interests of the city to settle the whole matter in that way. I understand that Mr. Guidet is willing to compromise the dispute at prices which, though somewhat above those at which the work could be done at the present time, are much less than the amount of his bid.

A private individual, situated as the city is, would probably think it judicious to avoid the uncertainties of litigation by disposing of the matter in this manner. I think the Department has the legal right to take this course, and if it commends itself to the sound judgment of the Commissioners, I recommend that it be adopted.

I enclose herewith a letter recently received by me from Mr. Guidet.

I am, sir,

Yours respectfully,

(Signed)

GEORGE P. ANDREWS,
Counsel to the Corporation.

(Communication from Charles Guidet referred to in opinion of Corporation Counsel Andrews.)

GEORGE P. ANDREWS, *Counsel to the Corporation:*

SIR—As I have personally explained to you, I claim that I hold a valid contract with the city for paving the trans-

verse roads across the Central Park. My contract price for the performance of this work was, at the time the contract was made, moderate, and it is so to-day. To prove this it is only necessary for me to refer you to my contracts with the Dock Department for paving a portion of the bulkhead. For this work I was allowed four dollars and twenty-six cents a square yard. In this latter work I had to fill in the joints with tar and gravel, which would cost almost sixty-three cents a square yard, leaving for the paving three dollars and sixty-three cents a square yard. No work such as is required by my contract with the Dock Department, or with the Park Department, could be properly executed as required by each of these Departments, at less than the price above stated. I make this explanation in answer to your request to be put in possession of all the facts, and what I have stated you may rely I am able to substantiate with conclusive testimony. I am

Yours respectfully,

(Signed)

CHARLES GUIDET.

NEW YORK, April 3, 1884.

On motion of Commissioner OLLIFFE the Secretary was directed to request Mr. Guidet to submit a statement of the compromise he is willing to make in relation to furnishing labor and material for paving, etc., transverse roads in accordance with the recommendation of the Counsel to the Corporation.

Casey, James H.—Assignment of contract.

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, }
NEW YORK, April 21, 1884. }

E. P. BARKER, *Secretary of the Department of Public Parks* :

SIR—I am in receipt of your communication under date of March 25, 1884, stating that Mr. James H. Casey, the contractor for building sewers in North Third avenue and Westchester avenue, has applied to your Department for its consent to his assignment of said contracts to Michael Casey, one

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of the sureties thereon. You request my opinion as to the powers and duties of the Department in the matter.

The only clause contained in the contract which refers to the subject of your communication is found at page 22, clause G, and is to the effect that the contractor will "not assign or sub-let the aforesaid work without the previous written consent of the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks indorsed on this agreement."

I know of no reason why the Commissioners may not, if they feel so disposed, consent to the assignment of this contract to Mr. Michael Casey, although he is one of the sureties thereon.

I am, sir,

Yours respectfully,

(Signed) GEORGE P. ANDREWS,
Counsel to the Corporation.

Commissioner WALES moved that James H. Casey, contractor, be directed to prosecute the work under his contract with this Department without further delay, and that he be notified that the full penalty for its non-completion will be enforced if it is not completed within the time specified.

Adopted.

Transfer.

From the Clerk of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, transmitting a copy of the following resolution, adopted by said Board :

Resolved, That, pursuant to chapter 18 of the Laws of 1884, the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) is hereby transferred from the unexpended balance of an appropriation made by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to the Department of Public Parks, entitled "Maintenance and Government of Parks and Places—For Labor, Maintenance and Supplies," 1882, to an appropriation to be entitled "Improvement of Paradise Park," 1884, to be expended under the direction and supervision of the Department of Public Parks.

Ordered filed.

Baltimore and Ohio Telegraph Co.

From the Baltimore and Ohio Telegraph Company, requesting permission to erect a line of telegraph poles

through Lincoln avenue, from the Harlem river to Morris avenue; thence along Morris avenue crossing Railroad avenue to One Hundred and Sixty-sixth street, One Hundred and Sixty-sixth street to Fourth avenue, Fourth avenue to Fordham avenue and to the city line.

Referred to the Superintendent Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.

Clafin, H. B., improvements 24th Ward—to examine and report.

From H. B. Clafin, W. S. Dunn and others, petitioning for the improvement of roads in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Ordered filed.

Rae street—Temporary drain.

From Walter Doyle, B. O. Murray and others, petitioning for the construction of a temporary drain in Rae street.

Referred to the Acting Engineer of Construction.

Lawn tennis.

From A. H. Wheeler, W. H. Gilder, F. S. Salisbury and others, requesting that a portion of the Central Park be set apart for lawn tennis.

Ordered filed.

Claremont—Wm. M. Bates.

From William M. Bates, applying for a lease of the premises known as "Claremont," on Riverside Park.

Ordered filed.

Palmedo, D. P.—Camera Obscura.

From D. Petri Palmedo, applying for permission to erect a camera obscura in Central Park.

Ordered filed.

Pony service—C. Knapp.

From Charles Knapp, applying for a license to conduct a pony service on the Central Park.

Ordered filed.

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U. S. Illuminating Co.

From the U. S. Illuminating Company, applying for permission to erect electric-light poles in Tompkins Square, Battery Park, and in the small square at Canal and West streets.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby granted to the United States Illuminating Company to erect poles on Tompkins Square and the small square at Canal and West streets; also to erect additional poles on the Battery Park, for the purpose of lighting said squares and park with electric light, under a contract with the Gas Commission. The poles to be so erected to be of a pattern to be approved by the Superintendent of Parks, and erected at such points and in such manner as he may direct. The grounds to be restored to his satisfaction and to be kept in good order by said United States Illuminating Company. The said company to deposit with the Department of Public Parks a check in the amount of \$500, as security that the work will be well and satisfactorily done, and in case it is not so done that the Department may spend such amount of said \$500, as may be found necessary to restore and keep in order the grounds disturbed by said Illuminating Company; that the Secretary be and he is hereby authorized to return to said company the check deposited by them with this Department in May last, as security for the restoration of grounds disturbed by the erection of poles in City Hall and Battery Parks and Washington Square.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

138th Street—Grade of.

From John J. Lane, in relation to the grades of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer.

Paradise Park.

From the Architect, reporting in relation to the proposed improvement of Paradise Park, and recommending that trees

be planted thereon with tree guards; that the urinal and its foundation be removed and the space paved with concrete; and that the foundations be repaired and railing painted, etc.

Commissioner WALES moved that the report of the Architect be adopted and that the work be proceeded with in accordance therewith.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

From the Topographical and Acting Engineer of Construction :

Sewer 139th Street.

1st. Submitting plans and specifications for a sewer in One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street, from the summit between Willis and Alexander avenues to Brook avenue, and for regulating, grading, etc., One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street, from North Third avenue to Willis avenue.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the plans and specifications for constructing a sewer in One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street, from the summit between Willis and Alexander avenues to Brook avenue, and for regulating, grading, etc., One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street, from North Third avenue to Willis avenue, as this day submitted by the Acting Engineer of Construction, be approved and ordered printed, and when so printed, and approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation, that the Secretary be directed to insert advertisements in the *City Record* inviting proposals for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Courtland avenue—Opening and sewer.

2d. Reporting upon the petition of William Walfrath, Frederick Dillemath and others for the opening of Courtland avenue, between One Hundred and Fifty-fourth and One Hundred and Sixty-second streets, and for the construction of a sewer therein, and recommending that proceedings be commenced to acquire title to Courtland avenue, between One Hundred and Fifty-sixth and One Hundred and Sixty-first streets, which will be necessary before the sewer asked for by the petitioners can be constructed.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be and he hereby is authorized and directed to commence and prosecute proceedings on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, for acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to that part of Courtland avenue, lying between One Hundred and Fifty-sixth and One Hundred and Sixty-first streets, as the same has been heretofore laid out as a public street, and that the Commissioners of this Department be authorized to sign a petition to the Supreme Court for that purpose.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Sewer—170th street.

3d. Reporting upon the application of W. Bronson, Michael Casey and others, for a sewer in One Hundred and Seventieth street, from Fulton avenue to Franklin avenue, and recommending that the same be constructed.

Commissioner VIELE, moved that the resolution adopted April 2, 1884, directing the Acting Engineer of Construction to prepare plans and specifications for a sewer in Fulton avenue, from One Hundred and Sixty-ninth to One Hundred and Seventieth streets, and in One Hundred and Seventieth street, from Fulton avenue to Third avenue, be amended, so

as to read "in One Hundred and Seventieth street, between Franklin and Third avenues."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said amendment, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Sewer—165th street.

(4.) Reporting upon the petition of James R. Marvin, T. Wilkens and others, for a sewer in One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, between Boston Road and Trinity avenue (Delmonico place), and recommending that the same be built.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, it was

Resolved, That the Acting Engineer of Construction be and he is hereby directed to prepare plans and specifications for a sewer and appurtenances in One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, from Boston Road to Trinity avenue, and submit them to the Board for approval.

173d street—Grades of.

4th. Submitting a plan and profile of One Hundred and Seventy-third street, showing the grades proposed to be established for the same.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following:

Resolved, That under and by virtue of the powers conferred on the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York by chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, they do hereby establish the grades of that portion of One Hundred and Seventy-third street lying between Vanderbilt avenue, east, and Weeks street, as shown on a map entitled, "Profile of East One Hundred and Seventy-third street (Warren street), between Vanderbilt avenue, east, and Weeks street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York," dated "New York, April 25th, 1884," and signed, "E. B. Van Winkle, Topographical Engineer," the same being such as the said Commissioners, or a majority of them, deem most conducive to the public good; and that the President be and he is hereby designated and directed to have prepared and to certify

and file three similar plans or profiles of the same in pursuance of the provisions of the law above cited.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Works in progress.

5th. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Kellogg, Engineer.

From M. A. Kellogg, Engineer :

Flagging 8th avenue.

1st. Submitting specifications for taking up and relaying flagging, and grading the sidewalk on the easterly side of Eighth avenue, from Seventy-second street to Seventy-seventh street.

Referred to the Treasurer to procure estimates for doing the work.

Entrances, 8th avenue and 110th street.

2d. Submitting a plan and profile for an entrance drive and walks at Eighth avenue and One Hundred and Tenth street in Central Park.

Laid over.

Entrances 77th and 81st streets.

3d. Submitting plans and specifications for completing the entrances to the Central Park at Seventy-seventh and Eighty-first streets and Eighth avenue.

Laid over.

Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards.

From the Superintendent Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards :

Works in progress.

1st. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Temporary suspensions.

2d. Reporting the temporary suspension of men and teams during stormy weather.

Approved.

Bronx river bridges—Approaches and railings.

3d. Reporting the completion of the work on the retaining walls of approaches to bridges over Bronx river at Pelham avenue and at Williamsbridge, and recommending that iron railings be placed along said bridges to improve their appearance and render them more secure.

On motion of Commissioner WALES the Superintendent Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards was directed to prepare and submit an estimate of the cost of such railings.

Superintendent of Parks.

From the Superintendent of Parks :

Destruction of flowers in parks.

1st. Reporting in relation to depredations committed and the destruction of flowers and shrubs in the Central Park by the holders of permits for sketching, etc.

Referred to the President.

Destruction of trees by goats.

2d. Reporting in relation to the damage done by goats to trees on Riverside avenue and the east side lawns of Central Park; and the dumping of refuse on the bridle road, between Seventy-second and Seventy-ninth streets.

Referred to the President.

Croft, Frances A.—Bay window.

From Frances A. Croft, asking permission to erect bay windows and porticos on a dwelling proposed to be built at the northeast corner of East Seventy-second street and Park avenue, and on five houses in Seventy-second street.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the consent of this Department is hereby given to the erection of a bay-window by Frances A. Croft on the dwellings she proposes to build at the northeast corner of Park avenue and Seventy-second street, and porticos on the fronts of five houses to be built on the north side of Seventy-second street, the same not to project in any instance more than four feet beyond the house-line.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Audit.

Commissioner WALES, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, presented the following reports :

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Arnold, David P., meat.....	Zoological Dept ..	\$236	60
Amman, C., trees.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	120	00
Brennan, W., labor and materials.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	114	87
Boller, A. P., commissions.....	Const. Bdgs. over Harlem River...	1,475	69
Bremner & Fitzgerald, coal.....	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	2	50
Canda & Kane, Portland cement	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$54	00
	Zoological Dept...	13	50
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Central Gas-light Co., gas.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	\$2	40
	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	1	20
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Crombie, Thomas J., lumber.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	\$249 00
Dahlman, Isaac H., horses.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	750 00
Devoe, F. W. & Co., pencils and tur- pentine.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	18 57
Devoe, F. W. & Co., paints.....	Riverside Park...	32 65
Denning, E J. & Co., sundries.....	Police, Supplies..	88 26
Frazer Lubricating Co., axle grease....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	2 75
Fairbanks & Co., cement, moulds, etc..	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	30 50
Ferris, Edwin & Co., salt.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	2 75
Goeller, Geo. C., rent.....	Rents, D. P. P...	50 00
The Hazard Powder Co., powder and fuse.....	Bronx R. Bridges..	29 35
Henderscn & Stoutenborough, oil cans, etc.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	\$17 50
	Harlem R. Bdgs..	1 00
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		18 50
Heckscher, Richard Jr., coal.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	37 50
Hodgman & Co., hip boots.....	Sewers and Drains..	24 08
Johnson & Coventry, silica paint.....	Zoological Dept...	32 50
King & Murray, trees.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	57 00
Knickerbocker Ice Co., ice.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	4 62
McNamara, James, blacksmithing....	Bronx R. Bridges..	14 95
McNab & Harlin Mfg. Co., plumbing materials.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	3 92
McKesson & Robbins, soda and lina- ment.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	21 24
McAllister, F. E., grass seed.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	385 00
McAllister, F. E., plow shares, etc....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	26 55

Marquand, H. G., Treas., expenses		
Museum of Art.....	Maint. Museums..	\$1,681 74
Mitchell, A. H. & Bro., hay.....	Zoological Dept..	227 83
Mitchell, A. H. & Bro., hay, oats, etc..	Maint. 23d & 24th	
Wards.....		52 57
Moffat, David & Co., leather etc.....	Labor, Maint. and	
Supplies.....		19 29
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, wheels...	Harlem R. Bdgs .	273 00
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, panels...	Zoological Dept..	750 00
Murray, P., blacksmithing.....	Maint. 23d & 24th	
Wards.....		15 20
The N. Y. Mutual Gas-light Co., rent..	Rents, D. P. P ...	416 87
Newell, D. C. & Sons, shavings.....	Zoological Dept..	12 00
O'Brien, M., milk.....	Zoological Dept..	14 83
O'Donnell & Treanor, coal.....	Labor, Maint. and	
Supplies.....		\$553 70
Zoological Dept..		120 50
Harlem R. Bdgs..		2 40
Surveys, Maps and		
Plans		25 00
Mount St. Vincent		
Refreshment		
House.....		2 40
Riverside Avenue.		15 00
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		719 00
Parsons, Robert B., Agent, trees.....	Labor, Maint. and	
Supplies.....		54 25
Patterson Brothers, glue pot, etc.....	Labor, Maint. and	
Supplies.....		22 61
Pratt, James T. & Co., rod.....	Surveys, Maps and	
Plans.....		5 95
Pridgeon, W. P., bread.....	Zoological Dept..	68 85
Raynolds, C. T. & Co., diamond and		
oil.....	Labor, Maint. and	
Supplies.....		10 15
Raynolds, C. T. & Co., ochre, paints,		
etc.....	Zoological Dept..	88 50
Robitzek, G. & Bro., coal!.....	Labor, Maint. and	
Supplies.....		5 25
Robitzek, G. & Bro., coal.....	Maint. 23d & 24th	
Wards.....		10 50
Seymour, W. N. & Co., nails.....	Maint 23d & 24th	
Wards.....		2 50

Seymour, W. N. & Co., glue pot.....	Riverside Park...	\$2 78
Seymour, W. N. & Co., screws and bolts	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$6 51
	Riverside Avenue.	54
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Smith, Clifford E., wagon materials..	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	48 89
Scott, D., fish	Zoological Dept...	11 25
Taylor, A. J., newspapers	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	13 65
Watkins, James Y. & Sons, iron pails..	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	27 00
Wiegand, Chas., stone boats	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	30 00
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		<u>\$8,490 01</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance and Supplies	\$2,595 47
Zoological Department.....	1,576 41
Maintenance Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards....	142 47
Bronx River Bridges.....	44 30
Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	65 15
Harlem River Bridges.....	276 40
Construction Bridges over Harlem River.....	1,475 69
Sewers and Drains.....	24 08
Riverside Park	35 43
Mount St. Vincent Refreshment House.....	2 40
Police, Supplies.....	88 26
Riverside Avenue.....	15 54
Rents, Department Public Parks.....	466 67
Maintenance Museums.....	1,681 74
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	<u>\$8,490 01</u>

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of eighty-four hundred and ninety dollars and one cent.

(Signed)

S. H. WALES,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, May 7, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Casey, Thomas H., Estimate No. 2....	Sewer in Westchester Ave. and 150th St., bet. Brook and Courtland Aves., with branches.....	\$3,639 51
Irvine, Allen A., and Edward N. Lynch, security for repairs	Regulating, etc., 134th St., from 3d to Alex. Ave.	234 48
Jones, Charles, Estimate No. 5.....	Sewer, etc., in Grove St., bet. Brook and 3d Aves., with connecting sewers..	5,119 14
MoQuade, John, Estimate No. 22.....	Const. Bdgs. over Harlem River..	6,275 57
Moran, Dennis W., security for repairs..	Crosswalks, Washington Ave., at 166th, 167th, 168th, 169th, 172d, 173d and 175th Steets....	77 30
Murray, Bernard C., Estimate No. 4...	Regulating, etc., Clifton St., from east curb-line St. Ann's Ave. to west curb-line Union Avenue..	4,366 04
Murray, Thomas, security for repairs..	Regulating, etc., 135th St., from North 3d Ave. to Mott Haven Canal.....	332 80
		<u>\$20,144 84</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Construction Bridges over Harlem River.....	\$6,275 57	
Street Improvements.....	13,869 27	
		<u>\$20,144 84</u>

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of twenty thousand one hundred and forty-four dollars and eighty-four cents.

(Signed)

S. H. WALES,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, May 7, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Central Gas-light Co., gas	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards, 1883....	\$2 25	
	Surveys, Maps and Plans, 1883....	1 13	
			<u>\$3 38</u>
Doherty, H. H., petty expenses	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$99 42	
	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	11 78	
	Zoological Dept..	19 80	
			<u>131 00</u>
Hanly, L. M., harness.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1883..		452 00
McLaughlin, John, sand.....	Surveying, Laying- out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, 1883.....		24 00

Mc Donald & Kilduff, flagging.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards, 1883....	\$491 04
Morgan, J. P., Treas., Pay-roll Museum	Natural History	Maint. Museums.
		1,573 25
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		\$2,674 67
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RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.....	\$99 42
Maintenance Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards....	11 78
Zoological Department.....	19 80
Maintenance Museums.....	1,573 25
Labor, Maintenance and Supplies, 1883.....	452 00
Maintenance Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, 1883	493 29
Surveys, Maps and Plans, 1883.....	1 13
Surveying, Laying-out etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, 1883.....	24 00
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	\$2,674 67
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Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of twenty-six hundred and seventy-four dollars and sixty-seven cents.

(Signed)

S. H. WALES,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, May 7, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Regulating, etc., 147th street. }
Basins—Stuyvesant square. }

In accordance with the order of the Board, the Treasurer presented the following proposals for regulating, grading, curbing, guttering and flagging One Hundred and Forty-seventh street :

James Slattery.....	\$734 00
Charles Jones.....	710 00
D. W. Moran.....	664 55

For furnishing labor and material and changing the fountain basin in Stuyvesant Square, in accordance with the plan adopted March 20, 1884 :

Terance Keenan.....	\$1,500 00
D. C. Weeks & Son.....	998 00

Commissioner WALES moved that the Treasurer be authorized to issue an order to D. W. Moran, he being the lowest bidder, for regulating, etc., One Hundred and Forty-seventh street.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Olliffe—3.

On motion, the bids on the basin at Stuyvesant Square were laid over.

Drilling holes—Madison Avenue Bridge.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to issue an order for drilling holes in the parapet wall of the Madison Avenue Bridge, necessary for the gas pipes required to light the bridge.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Machinery—Third Avenue Bridge.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the bid of the Delamater Iron Works, for the back gearing for working the machinery of the Third

Avenue Bridge over Harlem river, amounting to \$345, be accepted, and that the Treasurer be authorized to issue an order for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Highbridge District Plan.

Commissioners VIELE and WALES, to whom was referred the plan for laying out the Highbridge District, made a verbal report and recommended the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That under and by virtue of the powers conferred on the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York by chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, they do hereby lay out, establish, classify, and discontinue the streets, roads and avenues, and public squares or places within that portion of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York, shown on a map or plan entitled, "Plan of streets, roads, avenues, and public parks or places in the 'Highbridge District' of the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York," dated "New York, 31st March, 1884," and signed "E. B. Van Winkle, Topographical Engineer, D. P. P." of the width, extent and direction that said streets, roads, avenues, and public squares or places are designated on said map, the same being such as the said Commissioners or a majority of them deem most conducive to the public good ; and that the President be hereby authorized and directed to certify and file three similar maps or plans in accordance with the requirements of the act above cited.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Recess.

Commissioner WALES moved that the Board take a recess until two o'clock P. M.

Lost.

Fullgraff, Alderman—To visit annexed district.

An invitation from Alderman Fullgraff, requesting the Commissioners of this Department to accompany the members of the Board of Aldermen on a tour of inspection through the annexed district on Thursday, May 8 next, was accepted.

Executive session.

On motion, at 1.30 o'clock the Board went into executive session.

Koster, Henry—For employment.

From Henry Koster applying for employment in the Department.

Ordered filed.

McQuade, T. F.—For increase of pay.

From Thomas F. McQuade asking for an increase of pay.

Ordered filed.

Harley, J. J.—For employment.

From John J. Harley applying for employment as gardener.

Ordered filed.

Wicks, L. A.—For employment.

From L. A. Wickes applying for employment on the clerical force of the Department.

Ordered filed.

Sale of grass.

From William Merkert, offering to purchase the grass on Riverside Park during the coming season.

Commissioner VIELE moved the subject of the sale of grass on Riverside Park be referred to the Treasurer with power.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Atlas, purchase of.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following:

Resolved, That the Secretary be and he is hereby authorized to purchase from E. Robinson one copy of his Atlas of New York at a cost not exceeding \$25 per volume.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Johnston J. J.—For restoration.

From James J. Johnston, requesting that he be restored to duty as foreman in the Department.

Ordered filed.

Broken stone
Sewer, Riverside avenue } —Contracts.

Specifications and forms of contracts which had been prepared by order of the Board, for a sewer across Riverside avenue, and One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street and into Riverside Park, and for furnishing broken stone, etc., for use in Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, were received, whereupon Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following:

Resolved, That the specifications and forms of contract for constructing a sewer from the present sewer on the easterly side of Riverside avenue, at One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, across the avenue and westerly into Riverside Park; and for furnishing and delivering broken trap-rock stone and trap-rock screenings along certain roads, streets etc., in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, as this day received, be approved and ordered printed, and when so printed and approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation,

that the Secretary be directed to insert advertisements in the *City Record*, inviting proposals for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Quarterly report.

The PRESIDENT presented a report of the transactions of the Department for the quarter ending March 31, 1884, which was approved, and ordered transmitted to his Honor the Mayor.

Morningside Park bays—Payment on account.

From Charles Jones, contractor, for constructing bays and entrances on Morningside Park, asking for a payment on account of work done under his contract.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the Comptroller be requested to pay to Charles Jones such proportionate sum of the amount called for by his contract with this Department for constructing stone bays in Morningside Park, as the work thus far performed bears to the entire work, the amount of such proportion to be certified by Julius Munckwitz, Architect.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards.

From the Superintendent of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, recommending an increase of the working force.

Employment of force.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the employment of two Steam Engineers, one Blacksmith, two Foremen, twelve double teams and eighty

laborers, be and the same is hereby authorized for work in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Kellogg—Engineer.

From M. A. Kellogg, Engineer, recommending that the force employed under him be increased for the prosecution of the work on drainage and completing Riverside Park, between Seventy-second and Seventy-ninth streets.

Employment of force.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered to following :

Resolved, That Joseph Fay and A. S. Parker be and they are hereby appointed skilled laborers, under Engineer Kellogg, at \$2.25 per day each, and the employment of one Foreman and eight laborers for work on drainage; twelve laborers and one double team for work on Riverside Park, be and the same is hereby authorized.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Superintendent of Parks—Use of Horses.

From the Superintendent of Parks, in relation to the disposition and use of the horses belonging to the Department and the preparation of lawns for the use of persons holding picnics, and for lawn tennis.

Lawn Tennis.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the triangle space south of the Transverse road and north of the large reservoir in Central Park be set apart for the purpose of lawn tennis, and that the Superin-

tendent of Parks be directed to detail a proper person to take care of the grounds.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Superintendent of Parks—Transfer of force.

From the Superintendent of Parks, recommending that Foreman George Tyson be transferred for duty on Riverside Park ; that Foreman J. J. Moore be transferred for duty on City Parks ; that Foreman John Phalen be transferred to Riverside avenue, and that the men whose services are not required on Tompkins Square be transferred where they are required ; and also recommending that Foreman Johnson be placed in charge of city parks between Fifty-ninth and Canal streets, and that Foreman Moore be placed in charge of city parks between Canal street and Battery.

Laid over.

Employment of force.

From the Superintendent of Parks, recommending the employment of additional painters, stone masons and carpenters, and the promotion of John Beeteson from laborer to Painter, and reporting the suspension of Jas. Laughlin, Painter, and Patrick Good, Bricklayer.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the employment of four painters, four stone-masons and four carpenters be and the same is hereby authorized, and that John Beeteson be and he is hereby promoted from laborer to Painter.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the employment of four horses and carts be and the same is hereby authorized for work on tar walks.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Beckett, John, pay fixed.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the pay of John Beckett, Messenger, be fixed at \$2.50 per day from this date.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Whalen, Mich., pay fixed.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the pay of Michael Whalen, Janitor at the Arsenal building be fixed at \$2.50 per day from this date.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

No—Commissioner Wales—1.

Topographical Engineer—Personnel of force.

From the Topographical and Acting Engineer of Construction, in relation to the personnel of the force under him, and recommending certain changes and promotions.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the salary of J. B. Downes and Wm. C. Illig, Assistants, and Jno. C. Hume, Computer, be fixed at \$900 per annum, each; that the salary of S. C. Thompson, Assistant Engineer, be fixed at \$1,500 per annum, and that J. B. Shea, Chairman, be promoted to the rank of Assistant, at \$900 per annum, all to date from this date.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Director of Menagerie. }
 Leave of absence. }
 Exchange of animals. }

From the Director of Menagerie, applying for leave of absence for six weeks for the purpose of visiting Europe to note the improvement in animal houses, and asking authority to exchange animals.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That W. A. Conklin be granted leave of absence for six weeks, commencing July 1, 1884, and to expire August 15, 1884.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Director of the Menagerie be authorized to exchange animals of which the Department has several species, for others, without expense to the Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

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tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

No—Commissioner Wales—1.

Viele, E. L.—Elected President.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That Commissioner Egbert L. Viele be and he is hereby elected President of this Department, to serve until August 1, 1884.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioner Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Olliffe, W. M.—Elected Treasurer.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That Commissioner William M. Olliffe be and he is hereby elected Treasurer to this Department, to serve until August 1, 1884.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

On motion of Commissioner OLLIFFE, at 3.30 o'clock P. M., the executive session arose and the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 1884.

REGULAR MEETING—10 A. M.

Present—Commissioner VIELE, President.
“ WALES,
“ CRIMMINS,
“ OLLIFFE.

On motion the regular order of business was suspended.

Park at High Bridge—Protest of John Karl.

Mr. Fordham Morris, of Counsel for John Karl, appeared in opposition to the map or plan for the laying out of the proposed park at High Bridge, adopted and ordered filed at the last meeting, and presented a written protest in relation to the matter, and requested that no further action be taken to file said map until he can be heard in relation to the same.

On motion it was so ordered.

The regular order of business was then resumed.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following communications were received :

Mayor—Siamese Embassy.

From the Mayor inviting the heads of the City Department to meet the Siamese Embassy.

Ordered filed.

Museum of National History—Annual report.

From the President of the American Museum of National History transmitting a copy of the fifteenth annual report of the trustees of said museum.

Ordered filed.

161st street—Grade of.

From Abner Bartlett, on behalf of J. J. and William Astor, requesting that action be taken in the matter of establishing the grade of One Hundred and Sixty-first street, from Central avenue to Third avenue.

Laid over.

Cooper Union—Flowers.

From the Curator of Cooper Union requesting a loan of plants and flowers to decorate the rooms of the Cooper Union on May 26 and 27, the occasion of the public reception of the art students.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, the Superintending Gardener was directed to confer with the Curator of the Cooper Union, and loan such plants and flowers as may be required.

Inspector of Buildings.

From the Inspector of Buildings notifying this Department to remove the building used as a stable in Central Park, at One Hundred and Sixth street, and Fifth avenue.

Ordered filed.

Guion, B. R.—Repairs to instruments

From B. R. Guion, Assistant Engineer, enclosing a bill amounting to \$42.75, which had been paid by him for repairs to a transit used on the Works of the Department, and asking that he be reimbursed that amount.

Commissioner VIELE moved that B. R. Guion, Assistant Engineer, be paid the sum of \$42.75, that amount having been expended by him for repairs to instruments.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Sale of lambs.

From the Director of the Menagerie, recommending the sale of the surplus ram lambs in the Central Park flock.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to sell at public auction during the month of June, the surplus stock of sheep on Central Park, and that a number, not exceeding ten, be reserved by the Department for breeding purposes.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the negative, a majority of all of the members of the Board not voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins—2.

Noes—Commissioner Wales, Olliffe—2.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the Treasurer be authorized to sell the surplus ram lambs and ewes in the Central Park flock at public auction during the month of June.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Bicycle merry-go-round.

From John Lucas, applying for permission to erect and operate a bicycle merry-go-round in Central Park.

Ordered filed.

Transfer.

From the Clerk of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment transmitting a copy of the following preamble and resolution adopted by said Board :

Whereas, The Department of Public Parks has drawn a requisition for the payment of the salary of an architect from the special appropriations made for the several works upon which his service has been bestowed, drawing from each appropriation a part of the salary proportioned to the amount of service bestowed upon each work respectively ; and

Whereas, The Comptroller has submitted to the Counsel to the Corporation the question whether the salary of an architect shall be paid otherwise than from the general appropriation for salaries made to the Department of Public Parks ; and

Whereas, The appropriation for salaries made by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to the Department of Public Parks for the year 1884, is "to pay entirely the salaries of the President, Clerks, Engineers, Architects, etc., of the Department ;" and

Whereas, The Counsel to the Corporation wishes to be informed "whether it is intended by the Board (of Estimate and Apportionment) that an architect employed at a stated salary, upon specific works, for which a special appropriation is made, shall be paid from the general appropriation for salaries, or from the appropriation for the specific work upon which the service of such Architect is bestowed ;" therefore

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Board the general appropriation made for salaries to the Department of Public Parks, for the year 1884, was intended to apply to and cover all salaries of officers and employees of that Department, except as therein otherwise explicitly provided, and that no payment should or can properly be made from the appropriation for any work, for salaries other than those therein specifically named.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Whereas, By a preamble and resolution adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, it has been decided that the general appropriation made for salaries for this Department was intended to cover all salaries except as therein otherwise explicitly provided ; and

Whereas, This decision being a departure from the custom as heretofore inaugurated by the Finance Department for the charging of salaries to the accounts upon which services were rendered, and in order to avoid a deficiency in the salary account under this decision ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and is hereby respectfully requested to transfer from the appropriations made for the use of this Department during the year 1884, from

Construction, Central Park.....	\$1,000 00
Drainage and irrigation, Central Park.....	1,000 00
Maintenance, labor and supplies.....	500 00
	\$2,500 00

—to the appropriation salaries, 1884.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said preamble and resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Bremer avenue—Opening.

From John D. Barry, D. A. McLeod and others, petitioning for the opening of Bremer avenue, from Jerome avenue to its insection with Devoe street, and Devoe street, from Bremer to Ogden avenue.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer.

Washington avenue—Protest against widening.

From James L. Parshall, J. H. Remken and others, protesting against the widening of Washington avenue in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer to report.

Central avenue sewer—Protest against.

From K. B. Daly, Edgar Ketchum and others, protesting against the construction of the proposed trunk-sewer in Central avenue.

Laid over.

Bailey, N. P.—Permit to build wall and fence.

From N. P. Bailey, asking for permission to construct a retaining wall on the easterly side of Sedgwick avenue, in connection with the work of opening and grading said avenue, now being done at his expense, under permission granted by this Department.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, said permission was granted, to continue during the pleasure of this Board.

From N. P. Bailey, asking permission to construct a wooden fence on both sides of Sedgwick avenue at his own expense.

On motion said permission was granted, to continue during the pleasure of this Board.

Topographical Engineer.

From the Topographical and Acting Engineer of Construction.

Bremer avenue—Opening.

1st. Reporting on a petition for the opening of Bremer avenue, and stating that to open said avenue as shown on the map of the High Bridge district, a new petition would be required, the one in question having been drawn up before the new lines of Bremer avenue were adopted.

Ordered filed.

Burnside avenue—Grades.

2d. Submitting a profile showing the grades proposed to be established for Burnside avenue, between Walton and Sedgwick avenues.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That under and by virtue of the powers conferred on the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York, by chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, they do hereby establish the grades of Burnside avenue, between Sedgwick avenue and Webster avenue, as shown on a map entitled "Plan and Profile of Burnside avenue, from Sedgwick avenue to Webster avenue, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York," dated "New York, May 20, 1884," and signed "E. B. Van Winkle, Topographical Engineer, D. P. P.," the same being such as the said Commissioners or a majority of them deem most conducive to the public good ; and that the President be and he is hereby designated and directed to have prepared and to certify and file three similar plans or profiles of the same in pursuance of the provisions of the law above cited.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Sewer in Boston avenue.
Regulating, etc., 165th street.

3d. Reporting upon a communication from Alderman Full-graff in relation to the slow progress of the work on One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street and the sewer in Boston road, and the necessity for opening One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street across the Harlem R. R. to Webster avenue.

Ordered filed.

Buildings at Karl's Park.
Fences on Boston avenue.

4th. In relation to buildings connected with the so-called "Karl's Park," standing within the lines of One Hundred and Forty-eighth street, and recommending that the same be removed; they having been sold nearly two years since.

On motion the subject of the removal of buildings standing on the line of One Hundred and Forty-eighth street, also the fences, etc., standing on the line of Boston avenue, was referred to the President to report upon.

Madison Avenue Bridge—Lighting approaches.

5th. Recommending that provision be made for lighting the approaches to the Madison Avenue Bridge and submitting a design for the same.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, the design submitted by the Acting Engineer of Construction for lighting the approaches to the Madison Avenue Bridge was approved and referred to the Treasurer to report an estimate of the cost of carrying out the same.

Plan for connecting Sixth and Jerome avenues.

6th. Submitting a drawing showing a plan for a direct connection between Sixth avenue and Jerome avenue.

Laid over.

Sewer in Rae street.

7th. Reporting upon a petition from Walter Doyle, B. C. Murray and others, for the construction of a temporary drain through Rae street from St. Ann's avenue to German Place,

and stating that the proper remedy for the trouble complained of, would be the construction of a regular sewer in St. Ann's avenue to Westchester avenue and through Westchester avenue to Brook avenue.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the Acting Engineer of Construction be directed to prepare and submit to the Board for approval, plans and specifications for a sewer and appurtenances in Westchester avenue, from Brook avenue to St. Ann's avenue, with branches in St. Ann's avenue, from the Port Morris branch of the Harlem Railroad to Carr street.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Hours of engineers.

8th. Recommending that the force employed under him be allowed to suspend work at 3 o'clock on Saturdays during the summer.

Ordered filed.

Design for ladies' cottage.

From the Architect, submitting a design for a ladies' cottage to be erected in the Ramble in Central Park.

Referred to Commissioner WALES.

Estimates for fitting up police-station.

From the Architect, submitting plans for fitting up a police-station in the basement of the new refreshment building in Central Park, and the following proposals for doing the work :

Wm. Brennan.....	\$1,190 00
Jos. Schwab & Schielinger	1,070 00
James Brady.....	967 00

Referred to the PRESIDENT to report.

Mantels for refreshment house.

From the Architect, submitting designs for mantels required in the café, hall and restaurant of the new refreshment building in Central Park.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, the design marked "A" for mantels in the café, was approved.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, the design marked "B" was referred back to the Architect for modification by arranging for corner seats.

Morningside Park—Plan.

From the Architect, reporting an approximate estimate of the cost of furnishing and setting granite coping, belt courses, iron girders, brick arching, asphalt pavement, iron railing, etc., for the bays and entrances to Morningside Park.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, the Architect was directed to prepare plans and specifications for doing the work, and submit them to the Board for approval.

Baltimore & Ohio Tel. Co.—Poles.

From the Superintendent of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards :

1st. Reporting upon an application of the Baltimore & Ohio Telegraph Co. for permission to erect a line of poles through Lincoln avenue, etc., to the city line.

Laid over.

Sprinkling Jerome avenue.

2d. In relation to sprinkling Jerome avenue during the spring meeting at Jerome Park, and recommending that extra time be allowed to be made by the sprinklers.

Commissioner WALES moved that the subject of sprinkling Jerome avenue be referred to the Treasurer with power.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Albany Road—Pavement.

3d. In relation to the proposed improvement of the old Albany Road.

Referred to Commissioner CRIMMINS to report.

Works in progress.

4th. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Kellogg, M. A., Engineer.

Approaches to refreshment house.

From M. A. Kellogg, Engineer, submitting a plan showing the approach drives to the new refreshment house in Central Park; also proposed plan of walk connecting the grounds northerly and westerly of the main east drive with the building; and the proposed location of sheds and stables in connection therewith.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that said plans be approved.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Work on approaches to refreshment house.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following:

Resolved, That Engineer Kellogg be and he is hereby directed to proceed with the work of completing the surface of the approaches and the ground around the new refreshment building on the Central Park, the labor and materials necessary to be charged to "construction."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Scarcity of water in Central Park.

From the Superintendent of Parks, relative to the scarcity of water in the upper part of Central Park, and recommending that the hydrant at Ninetieth street gate and East Drive be connected with the high pressure service to furnish drinking water.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the subject be referred to the President, with power.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Topographical Engineer—works in progress.

From the Topographical and Acting Engineer of Construction, reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Audit.

Commissioner WALES, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, presented the following reports :

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Kidney & Giblin, coping, steps, etc.	Riverside Park, Imp. of, 1883	\$538 00	
Taylor, Matt., pavement	Obelisk, Erecting Railing, etc., 1883	2,056 00	
			<u>\$2,594 00</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Riverside Park, Improvement of, 1883	\$538 00	
Erecting Railing, etc., around Obelisk, 1883	2,056 00	
		<u>\$2,594 00</u>

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of twenty-five hundred and ninety-four dollars.

(Signed)

S. H. WALES,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, May 21, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

American Supply Co., sundries.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$109 68	
	Harlem R. Bdgs..	9 00	
		<hr/>	\$118 68
Brandis, Frederick E., repairs to transit.....	Riverside Avenue.		82 50
Bremner & Fitzgerald, stove coal.....	Harlem R. Bdgs..		52 50
Bertine, Edwin R., gonfalons.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		43 00
Beck, Louis D., gravel.....	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places		753 75
Crombie, Thos. J., spruce timber.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....		83 70
Crombie, Thos. J., oak stakes.....	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....		35 00
Dean, W. E., Estimate No. 1.....	Sewer, etc., Lin- coln Ave., from Harlem River to 134th St., and in Southern Boule- vard, between Lincoln and Wil- lis Aves., etc...		2,383 33
Fayerweather & Ladew, belting.....	Walks, Central Park and City Parks and Places.....		20 85
Harlem Gas-light Co., gas, April....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....		35 32

Hall's Sons, Wm., sashes.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$350 00
Harold, John, trees	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	450 00
Hilton, E. G., couplings.....	Harlem R. Bdgs .	6 00
Howard & Morse, sand screen	Riverside Avenue.	3 38
Leonard & McCoy, piston, etc.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	20 40
McKinney, G. H. & Co., caps.....	Police	24 00
McAllister, F. E., sundries	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	283 09
McAllister, F. E., bird seed.....	Zoological Dept...	12 00
McAllister, F. E., sledge hammer handles.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	7 25
McNab & Harlin Mfg. Co., plumbing materials	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	24 56
Mahon, Bernard, Estimate No. 2.....	Sewer, 149th St., bet. Brook and Robbins Aves...	1,656 48
Miller, Anthony, ladders.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	36 00
N. Y. Belting and Packing Co., hose ..	Harlem R. Bdgs..	6 05
The N. Y. Mutual Gas-light Co., gas, April	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	57 83
O'Brien, M., milk.....	Zoological Dept...	14 40
Pierson & Co., iron and steel.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	30 99
Pierson & Co., iron	Zoological Dept...	3 68
Pope & Klie, vegetables, etc.....	Zoological Dept...	104 45
Steers Brothers, chestnut posts	Zoological Dept...	108 00
Steers Brothers, oak lumber.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	120 18
Smith, Clifford E., spokes.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	14 50
Schoonmaker, S. A. & Co., paints, etc..	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	180 80
Scott, D., fish	Zoological Dept...	10 50
Sylvester, Hilton & Co., gloves.....	Police	58 90
Watkins, James Y. & Son, pails, etc..	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places	12 75

\$7,204 82

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.....	\$1,756 35
Zoological Department.....	253 03
Maintenance Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards....	90 95
Walks, Central Park and City Parks.....	787 35
Harlem River Bridges.....	73 55
Police, Supplies.....	82 90
Riverside Avenue.....	85 88
Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	35 00
Street Improvements.....	4,039 81
	\$7,204 82

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of seventy-two hundred and four dollars and eighty-two cents.

(Signed)

S. H. WALES,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, May 21, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Bryant Park.

Commissioner WALES presented a certified copy of chapter 282 of the Laws of 1884, being an act to authorize the Commissioners of this Department to change the name of Reservoir Square to Bryant Park, and offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That under the provisions of section 1, chapter 282 of the Laws of 1884, the public park situated between Fortieth and Forty-second streets and Fifth and Sixth avenues, shall hereafter be known and described as Bryant Park.

Which was adopted.

And in connection therewith Commissioner WALES made the following remarks, which were ordered entered at length upon the minutes :

In response to the request urged by the friends of the late William Cullen Bryant, the legislature has authorized the Department of Parks to change the name of Reservoir Square to Bryant Park, and in moving this resolution I deem it fitting to say that the act is a graceful recognition of one who was alike eminent for his public and private virtues.

The city has no possessions more precious than the memory of those who by their labors and example have exalted the standard of citizenship. In these respects Mr. Bryant was a conspicuous illustration, and as the editor of a leading daily journal he contributed largely towards securing for the city the Central Park, in which he always took the warmest interest.

It gives me pleasure to move this resolution, and I have no doubt it will receive the unanimous approval of this Board.

Walks at Printing House Square.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Superintendent of Parks be directed to repair the concrete walk between the coping and granite pavement at the entrance to the plaza, opposite Printing House Square.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Entrance 110th street and 8th avenue.

The PRESIDENT called up the plans for an entrance drive at One Hundred and Tenth street and Eighth avenue, in Central Park, which were laid over at the last meeting of the Board, and offered the following :

Resolved, That the plan for the entrance to the Central Park at One Hundred and Tenth street and Eighth avenue, submitted by Engineer Kellogg, be and is hereby adopted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Filling 110th street and 8th avenue.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the President be authorized to make arrangements to have such clean earth and stone filling deposited at One Hundred and Tenth street and Eighth avenue, in Central Park, as may be obtained free of expense to this Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Plan of Central Park, between 79th and 81st streets.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the plan for improving the grounds of the Central Park immediately east of the Eighth avenue, and between the new entrances at Seventy-ninth and Eighty-first streets, submitted by Engineer Kellogg, be and are hereby approved, and that the work be proceeded with under Mr. Kellogg, and with the co-operation of the Trustees of the Museum of Natural History, under the appropriation received by them.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Building on Riverside Drive to be sold.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the wooden structure on Riverside avenue, opposite One Hundred and Eleventh street, be sold at public auction, after due notice, to be removed within thirty days after said sale.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

No—Commissioner Olliffe—1.

Plan of Riverside Drive.

The PRESIDENT, to whom was referred at the last meeting the petition, signed by Mr. Post and others, relative to the plan of Riverside avenue, between One Hundred and Twenty-second and One Hundred and Twenty-fifth streets, made a verbal report and submitted an estimate from Engineer Kellogg for doing the work, and recommended that this Board approve of any efforts that may be made by the property-owners towards securing an appropriation whereby this Department may make the improvement desired.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, the report was accepted and the recommendation as therein contained was adopted.

Picket fence along Eighth avenue.

The PRESIDENT, to whom was referred a communication from the Superintendent of Parks, calling the attention of the Board to the destruction of trees and plants by the goats running at large, made a verbal report and recommended that the attention of the Mayor be called to the subject, and that a light picket fence of a temporary character be erected along the Eighth avenue boundary of the Park, between Ninety-sixth and One Hundred and Second streets, and moved that the Treasurer be authorized to procure estimates for erecting such fence.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the subject of erecting a fence along the Eighth avenue boundary of the Central Park, between Ninety-sixth and One Hundred and Second streets, as recommended by the President in his report of this day, be and is hereby referred to the President and Treasurer with power.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

No—Commissioner Wales—1.

Executive Session.

On motion, at 12 o'clock, M., the Board went into Executive Session.

Horses and carts—Riverside Park.

Carpenters—Claremont.

From M. A. Kellogg, Engineer, recommending the employment of four horses and carts on Riverside Park, and two carpenters for work at Claremont.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the employment of four horses and carts for work on Riverside Park, and two carpenters for work at Claremont be and the same is hereby authorized.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Malloy, Mich.—Skilled labor.

From M. A. Kellogg, Engineer, recommending that Michael Malloy be appointed a skilled laborer for work on the roadway of Riverside avenue, north of One Hundred and Twentieth street.

Commissioner WALES moved that Michael Malloy be appointed a skilled laborer for work on Riverside avenue, under Engineer Kellogg, at \$2.25 per day.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Van Winkle, E. B.—Resignation.

From E. B. Van Winkle, resigning his position as Topographical Engineer and Acting Engineer of Construction of this Department, to take effect on the first proximo.

Commissioner WALES moved that the resignation of Mr. Van Winkle be accepted and that a record be entered upon the minutes, testifying to the appreciation by the members of the Board of the character and integrity of Mr. Van Winkle.

Adopted.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That M. A. Kellogg be and he is hereby charged with the control of all works of construction in the Department, under the title and pay of Engineer of Construction.

Laid over.

Kellogg, M. A.—To discharge duties.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered to following :

Resolved, That upon the retirement upon the 1st day of June next of Mr. E. B. Van Winkle from the position of Acting Engineer of Construction, Mr. M. A. Kellogg be charged and empowered with all the duties, title and pay of such position, in addition to the duties now being performed by him, until the further order of the Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Dynan, Cornelius—Restored.

From the Superintendent of Parks, requesting that the carpenters and painters that have been appointed be ordered to report for duty, and recommending the restoration of Cornelius Dynan, blacksmith.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that Cornelius Dynan be restored to duty as blacksmith.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Briggs J. A.—Pay of.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the salary of J. A. Briggs, Assistant Engineer, be fixed at \$1,800 per annum, to date from this date.

Laid over.

Leslie, J. S.—Suspension.

From the Superintendent Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, reporting the suspension of James S. Leslie, messenger.

Referred to Commissioner WALES.

Bergan, John—Discharged.

From the Superintendent Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, reporting the suspension of John Bergan, laborer, for disobedience of orders.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that John Bergan, laborer, be discharged, and that John Griffin be appointed in his place.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Laborers authorized.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the employment of four laborers for work on Riverside Park, four laborers for work on Riverside Drive, four laborers for work on Central Park, be and the same is hereby authorized.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Rockmen—Promotion of.

From the Superintendent Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, recommending the promotion of Barth. Hannon, Edward Noonan, Patrick Kane and David Magner from laborers to rockmen.

Commissioner WALES moved that Barth. Hannon, Edward Noonan, Patrick Kane and David Magner be promoted from laborers to rockmen.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Suspensions.

From the Superintendent Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, reporting the suspension of men and teams during stormy weather.

Approved.

Tyson, Geo.—Transfer.

From the Superintendent of Parks, in relation to the transfer of laborers and foremen recommended by him at the last meeting of the Board and recommending the appointment of a division gardener on City Parks.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that Foreman George Tyson be transferred for duty under Engineer Kellogg.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Vacation.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the usual summer vacation of two weeks be granted to the employees of the Department, upon their filing an application for the same with the Secretary, and it receiving the approval of the President.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Vacation—Police.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the members of the Police Force of the Department be granted a summer vacation at times to be designated by the Captain as he may deem expedient, as follows :

Captain, six days.

Surgeon, six days.

Sergeants, five days.

Roundsmen, four days.

Patrolmen, three days.

Gatekeepers, three days.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Substitute tickets.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That whenever the Superintendents or Engineers, under whom a working force is engaged, certifies to the Secretary that a member of such force has left his work and a substitute is required, the Secretary be and he is hereby authorized to issue a new ticket for such position to the Commissioner issuing the original ticket.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Madison Avenue Bridge lamps.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to purchase the lamps required for lighting the approaches to the Madison Avenue Bridge, provided the same can be purchased at an expense less than \$1,000.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Commissioner Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Engineer's expenses.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, it was

Resolved, That Engineer Van Winkle be and he is hereby directed to report at the next meeting the sum he considers justly due to each of the employees under him, for expenses incurred in traveling in the discharge of their duties.

Culyer Thurston appointed.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That Thurston Culyer be and he is hereby appointed a skilled laborer for duty not exceeding sixty days under the Superintendent of Parks, at \$2.50 per day.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Division gardener for duty on lower parks.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the President be and he is hereby authorized to transfer a division gardener for duty, under Foreman Johnson, on city parks.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Fountain Stuyvesant Square.

Commissioner CRIMMINS called up the bids received at the last meeting for changing the fountain-basin in Stuyvesant Square, and moved that the proposal of D. C. Weeks & Son, amounting to \$998, be accepted as the lowest bid, and that the Treasurer be authorized to issue an order for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, at 1 o'clock P. M., the executive session arose and the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

MONDAY, JUNE 2, 1884.

SPECIAL MEETING—12 M.

The Board met pursuant to the following :

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, }
36 UNION SQUARE, May 29, 1884. }

Mr. E. P. BARKER, *Secretary* :

SIR—You will please issue notices for a meeting of the Board to be held on Monday, June 2, 1884, at twelve o'clock M., for the purpose of receiving and opening proposals for the construction of sewers and other works of improvement in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.

Respectfully,

EGBERT L. VIELE,
President D. P. P.

Present—Commissioner VIELE, President.

“ CRIMMINS,
“ OLLIFFE.

At the hour of twelve o'clock M., Mr. Marsh, the representative of the Comptroller, being present, and the meeting open to the public, the President, in the presence of the representative of the Comptroller and of such of the persons making proposals as were present, opened the estimate-box and publicly opened and read the estimates or proposals which had been received in pursuance of advertisements duly published in the *City Record* for the following works, namely :

No. 1. For constructing a sewer with appurtenances and branches in Webster avenue, between One Hundred and Sixty-fifth and One Hundred and Eighty-fourth streets.

No. 2. For constructing a sewer and appurtenances in Washington avenue, between Brook avenue and One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street.

No. 3. For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging the sidewalk four feet wide, and laying crosswalks in One Hundred and Forty-first street, between the westerly curb-line of North Third avenue and the easterly curb-line of Rider avenue.

No. 4. For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging the sidewalk four feet wide, and laying crosswalks in One Hundred and Forty-second street, between the westerly curb-line of North Third avenue and the easterly curb-line of Rider avenue.

No. 5. For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging the sidewalk four feet wide, and laying crosswalks in One Hundred and Forty-third street, between the easterly curb-line of Brook avenue and the westerly curb-line of St. Ann's avenue.

No. 6. For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging the sidewalks four feet wide, and laying crosswalks in One Hundred and Fifty-ninth street, from the westerly curb-line of North Third avenue to the easterly curb-line of Railroad avenue, East.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

Table of Bids for Constructing a Sewer, with Appurtenances and Branches, in Webster Avenue, between One Hundred and Sixty-fifth and One Hundred and Eighty-fourth Streets.

June 2, 1884.]

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2		3		4	
			CHARLES JONES.		WM. E. DEAN.		C. F. MAIRS and J. W. DALY.		THOM. J. ALLEN, JAS. W. O'GRADY & THOM. O'MALEY.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Brick masonry.....	8,400 cub. yds.	\$6 90	\$57,960 00	\$9 75	\$81,900 00	\$9 50	\$79,800 00	\$10 92	\$91,728 00
2	Rubble masonry in mortar.....	7,800 "	2 90	22,620 00	3 50	27,300 00	5 00	39,000 00	5 68	44,804 00
3	Concrete in place.....	9,400 "	3 35	31,490 00	4 50	42,300 00	4 85	45,590 00	5 12	48,128 00
4	Earth Excavation.....	109,000 "	27	29,430 00	30	32,700 00	57	62,130 00	37	40,330 00
5	Rock excavation.....	900 "	4 00	3,600 00	2 90	2,610 00	3 50	3,150 00	4 00	3,600 00
6	18" pipe sewer.....	40 lin. feet.	1 00	40 00	2 00	80 00	1 00	40 00	2 50	100 00
7	12" pipe sewer.....	1,000 "	55	550 00	1 40	1,400 00	56	560 00	1 40	1,400 00
8	Spurs for house connections.....	1,780	20	356 00	40	712 00	85	979 00	50	890 00
9	Receiving basins complete.....	17	125 00	2,125 00	200 00	3,400 00	140 00	2,380 00	130 00	2,210 00
10	Broken stone for foundations.....	125 cub. yds.	5 00	625 00	3 00	375 00	1 60	200 00	2 00	250 00
11	Timbers and planks, with spikes, bolts, etc.....	890,000 ft. E. M.	22 00	19,580 00	25 00	22,250 00	34 00	30,260 00	23 00	20,470 00
12	Manhole heads, with covers complete, in place	105	14 00	1,470 00	19 00	1,995 00	18 00	1,890 00	16 00	1,680 00
13	Wrought iron steps, galvanized, for manholes	530	18	95 40	30	159 00	25	132 50	25	132 50
14	Granite, special dimension stones, in place	500 cub. feet.	1 00	500 00	2 25	1,125 00	2 25	1,125 00	1 50	750 00
15	Hammer-dressed blue-stone, of any form, in place	450 "	40	180 00	2 50	1,125 00	3 60	1,620 00	1 50	675 00
16	Vitrified stoneware inverts, or lining, for brick sewers.....	550 lin. feet.	25	137 50	70	885 00	20	110 00	30	165 00
	Time for completion, at \$4 per day.....		Days. 500	2,000 00	Days. 450	1,800 00	Days. 450	1,800 00	Days. 750	3,000 00
	Totals.....			\$172,758 90	....	\$221,616 00	....	\$270,766 50	....	\$259,812 50

Table of Bids for Constructing a Sewer, with Appurtenances and Branches, in Webster Avenue, between One Hundred and Sixty-fifth and One Hundred and Eighty-fourth Streets.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	5		6		7		8	
			B. C. MURRAY.		C. S. WARNER.		JOHN MCKIM and CHAS. MCKIM.		M. S. COLEMAN. Informal.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Brick masonry	8,400 cub. yds.	\$13 00	\$109,200 00	\$10 00	\$84,000 00	\$9 00	\$75,600 00	\$12 00	\$100,800 00
2	Rubble masonry, in mortar	7,800 "	4 50	35,100 00	5 50	42,900 00	5 00	39,000 00	5 75	44,850 00
3	Concrete in place	9,400 "	4 50	42,300 00	4 90	46,060 00	5 00	47,000 00	5 75	54,050 00
4	Earth excavation	109,000 "	40	43,600 00	45	49,050 00	79	86,110 00	1 40	152,600 00
5	Rock excavation	900 "	4 00	3,600 00	4 00	3,600 00	4 00	3,600 00	6 00	5,400 00
6	18" pipe sewer	40 lin. feet.	4 00	160 00	2 00	80 00	1 00	40 00	10 00	400 00
7	12" pipe sewer	1,000 "	1 00	1,000 00	1 50	1,500 00	50	500 00	8 00	8,000 00
8	Spurs for house connections	1,780	60	1,068 00	1 80	3,204 00	50	890 00	1 00	1,780 00
9	Receiving basins complete	17	160 00	2,720 00	97 00	1,649 00	290 00	3,910 00	100 00	1,700 00
10	Broken stone for foundations	125 cub. yds.	3 00	375 00	2 00	250 00	1 00	125 00	2 00	250 00
11	Timbers and planks, with spikes, bolts, etc. .	890,000 ft. B. M.	30 00	26,700 00	25 00	22,250 00	30 00	26,700 00	35 00	31,150 00
12	Manhole heads, with covers complete, in place	105	18 00	1,890 00	30 00	3,150 00	20 00	2,100 00	35 00	3,675 00
13	Wrought iron steps, galvanized, for manholes	530	30	159 00	150 00	795 00	30	159 00	50	265 00
14	Granite, special dimension stones, in place..	500 cub. feet.	1 00	500 00	1 00	500 00	1 50	750 00	1 00	500 00
15	Hammer-dressed blue-stone, of any form, } in place	450 "	1 50	675 00	1 00	450 00	1 00	450 00	1 00	450 00
16	Vitrified stoneware inverts, or lining, for } brick sewers	550 lin. feet.	20	110 00	1 50	825 00	15	82 50	1 00	550 00
	Time for completion, at \$4 per day		Days. 800	3,200 00	Days. 500	2,000 00	Days. 700	2,800 00	Days. ....	.....
	Totals .....		....	\$272,357 00	....	\$262,263 00	....	\$289,816 50	....	\$406,420 00

Table of Bids for Constructing a Sewer and Appurtenances in Washington Avenue, between Brook Avenue and One Hundred and Sixty-ninth Street.

June 2, 1884.]

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2		3	
			B. C. MURRAY.		THOM. J. ALLEN, JAS. W. O'GRADY and THOM. O'MALEY.		BERNARD MAHON.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Brick sewer, egg shaped, 36"x54", exclusive of spurs	1,080 linear feet.	\$7 50	\$7,725 00	\$6 75	\$6,952 50	\$7 00	\$7,210 00
2	Brick sewer, egg shaped, 30"x45", exclusive of spurs	45 "	7 25	326 25	6 50	292 50	7 00	315 00
3	18-inch pipe sewer, exclusive of spurs	486 "	4 10	1,992 60	2 40	1,166 40	3 00	1,458 00
4	15-inch " "	281 "	3 50	983 50	2 00	562 00	3 00	843 00
5	12-inch " "	1,595 "	3 00	4,785 00	1 80	2,871 00	3 00	4,785 00
6	Spurs for house-connections	420	25	105 00	75	315 00	40	168 00
7	Manholes complete	36	49 00	1,764 00	55 00	1,980 00	50 00	1,800 00
8	Receiving basins complete	2	160 00	320 00	130 00	260 00	200 00	400 00
9	Rock excavation	3,100 cubic yds.	3 50	10,850 00	3 40	10,540 00	3 50	10,850 00
10	Lumber furnished and laid	5,000 feet, B. M.	25 00	125 00	25 00	125 00	20 00	100 00
11	Concrete in place	25 cubic yds.	02	50	7 00	175 00	2 00	50 00
	Time for completion, at \$4 per day		Days. 110	440 00	Days. 150	600 00	Days. 100	400 00
	Total		....	\$29,416 85	....	\$25,839 40	....	\$28,379 00

Table of Bids for Constructing a Sewer and Appurtenances in Washington Avenue, between Brook Avenue and One Hundred and Sixty-ninth Street.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	4		5		6	
			MICHAEL EGAN.		WILLIAM E. DEAN.		W. H. MORTON, INFORMAL.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Brick sewer, egg shaped, 36"x54", exclusive of spurs	1,030 linear feet.	\$6 75	\$6,952 50	\$7 00	\$7,210 00	\$6 79	\$6,993 70
2	Brick sewer, egg shaped, 30"x45", exclusive of spurs	45 "	4 00	180 00	7 00	315 00	6 21	279 45
3	18-inch pipe sewer, exclusive of spurs	486 "	3 20	1,555 20	2 70	1,312 20	2 99	1,453 14
4	15-inch " "	281 "	2 50	702 50	2 70	758 70	2 59	727 79
5	12-inch " "	1,595 "	2 50	3,987 50	2 70	4,306 50	2 17	3,461 15
6	Spurs for house-connections	420	75	315 00	80	386 00	25	105 00
7	Manholes complete	86	45 00	1,620 00	50 00	1,800 00	23 00	838 00
8	Receiving basins complete	2	150 00	300 00	200 00	400 00	157 00	314 00
9	Rock excavation	3,160 cubic yds.	4 00	12,400 00	3 00	9,300 00	4 00	12,400 00
10	Lumber furnished and laid	5,000 feet, B. M.	25 00	125 00	30 00	150 00	27 00	135 00
11	Concrete in place	25 cubic yds.	5 00	125 00	5 00	125 00	4 00	100 00
	Time for completion at \$4 per day .....	.....	Days. 25	100 00	Days. 150	600 00	No.	.....
	Total .....	.....	...	\$28,362 70	...	\$26,613 40	....	\$26,797 23

Table of Bids for Regulating, Grading, Setting Curb and Gutter Stones, Flagging the Sidewalks four feet wide, and Laying Crosswalks in One Hundred and Fifty-ninth Street, from the Westerly Curb-line of North Third Avenue to the Easterly Curb-line of Railroad Avenue, East.

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Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2		3		4	
			THOMAS GEARTY. INFORMAL.		STILES M. SAUNDERS.		BERNARD MAHON.		B. C. MURRAY.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Earth excavation	1,950 cub. yds.	\$0 75	\$1,462 50	\$0 50	\$975 00	\$0 01	\$19 50	\$0 05	\$97 50
2	Rock excavation.....	1,010 "	2 00	2,020 00	50	505 00	1 00	1,010 00	80	808 00
3	Filling.....	2,425 "	70	1,697 50	25	606 25	72	1,746 00	40	970 00
4	New curb furnished and set.	2,950 lin. feet.	80	2,360 00	65	1,917 50	65	1,917 50	60	1,770 00
5	Old curb reset.....	280 "	10	28 00	04	11 20	05	14 00	10	28 00
6	New gutter-stone furnished and laid.....	2,950 "	*....	.....	16	472 00	20	590 00	20	590 00
7	Old gutter-stone relaid .. .	280 "	*....	.....	00 1/4	70	01	2 80	08	8 40
8	New flagging furnished and laid.....	12,120 sq. feet.	30	3,686 00	25	3,030 00	26	3,151 20	24	2,908 80
9	Old flagging relaid.....	600 "	01	6 00	00 1/4	1 50	03	18 00	03	18 00
10	New bridge stones for crosswalks furnished and laid	890 " }	No price }	.....	80	712 00	46	409 40	50	445 00
11	Dry rubble masonry	10 cub. yds.	50	5 00	1 00	10 00	2 00	20 00	2 00	20 00
12	Vitrified stoneware, pipes, or other forms...	5,000 pounds.	08	150 00	04	200 00	02	100 00	02	100 00
	Time for completion, at \$3 per day .....	.....	Days. 90	270 00	Days. 40	120 00	Days. 60	180 00	Days. 65	195 00
	Totals .....	.....	....	\$11,635 00	...	\$8,561 15	....	\$9,178 40	....	\$7,958 70

* Included in prices for curb.

Table of Bids for Regulating, Grading, Setting Curb and Gutter Stones, Flagging the Sidewalks four feet wide, and Laying Crosswalks in One Hundred and Fifty-ninth Street, from the Westerly Curb-line of North Third Avenue to the Easterly Curb-line of Railroad Avenue, East.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	5		6		7	
			THOMAS MURRAY.		ROBERT HALL AND F. V. MORRISON.		DENIS McGRATH.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Earth excavation	1,950 cub. yds.	\$0 35	\$682 50	\$0 20	\$390 00	\$0 50	\$975 00
2	Rock excavation.....	1,010 "	1 00	1,010 00	1 50	1,515 00	75	757 50
3	Filling	2,425 "	25	606 25	20	485 00	05	121 25
4	New curb furnished and set.....	2,950 lin. feet.	63	1,858 50	54	1,593 00	61	1,799 50
5	Old curb reset.....	280 "	05	14 00	05	14 00	02½	7 00
6	New gutter-stone furnished and laid.....	2,950 "	22	649 00	23	678 50	18	531 00
7	Old gutter-stone relaid.....	280 "	02	5 60	05	14 00	01½	4 20
8	New flagging furnished and laid.....	12,120 sq. feet.	26	3,151 20	25	3,030 00	25	3,030 00
9	Old flagging relaid.....	600 "	02	12 00	02	12 00	01	6 00
10	New bridge stones for crosswalks furnished and laid.....	890 "	49	436 10	45	400 50	52	462 80
11	Dry rubble masonry	10 cub. yds.	2 00	20 00	2 00	20 00	24	2 40
12	Vitrified stoneware, pipes, or other forms...	5,000 pounds.	01½	75 00	02	100 00	02	100 00
	Time for completion, at \$3 per day	Days. 40	120 00	Days. 90	270 00	Days. 55	165 00
	Totals	\$8,640 15	\$8,522 00	\$7,961 65

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Table of Bids for Regulating, Grading, Setting Curb and Gutter Stones, Flagging the Sidewalks four feet wide, and Laying Crosswalks in One Hundred and Forty-first Street, between the Westerly Curb-line of North Third Avenue and the Easterly Curb-line of Rider Avenue.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2		3		4	
			PATRICK HARDING.		THOMAS MURRAY.		ROBERT HALL AND F. V. MORRISON.		B. C. MURRAY.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Filling	1,300 cubic yds.	\$0 60	\$780 00	\$0 50	\$650 00	\$0 35	\$455 00	\$0 40	\$520 00
2	New curb-stone furnished and set.....	1,300 linear feet.	60	780 00	63	819 00	53	689 00	60	780 00
3	Old curb-stone reset.....	50 "	02	1 00	05	2 50	05	2 50	10	5 00
4	New gutter-stone furnished and laid.....	1,300 "	16	208 00	24	312 00	23	299 00	20	260 00
5	Old gutter-stone relaid.....	50 "	02	1 00	02	1 00	05	2 50	03	1 50
6	New flagging furnished and laid.....	5,300 square feet.	26	1,378 00	25½	1,351 50	24	1,272 00	25	1,325 00
7	Old flagging relaid.....	300 "	03	9 00	02	6 00	02	6 00	03	9 00
8	New bridge-stone for crosswalk furnished and laid.....	100 "	46	46 00	50	50 00	43	43 00	50	50 00
9	Vitrified stoneware, pipes, or other forms.....	1,000 pounds.	05	50 00	01	10 00	02	20 00	02	20 00
	Time for completion, at \$3.00 per day.....		Days. 30	90 00	Days. 20	60 00	Days. 40	120 00	Days. 40	120 00
	Totals.....		....	\$3,343 00	...	\$3,262 00	....	\$2,909 00	....	\$3,090 50

Table of Bids for Regulating, Grading, Setting Curb and Gutter Stones, Flagging the Sidewalks four feet wide, and Laying Crosswalks in One Hundred and Forty-first Street, between the Westerly Curb-line of North Third Avenue and the Easterly Curb-line of Rider Avenue.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	5		6		7	
			D. W. MORAN.		THOMAS GEARTY.		J. D. MOORE.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Filling	1,300 cubic yds.	\$0 53	\$689 00	\$0 60	\$780 00	\$0 46	\$598 00
2	New curb-stone furnished and set.....	1,300 linear feet.	56	728 00	85	1,105 00	56	728 00
3	Old curb-stone reset.....	50 "	10	5 00	20	10 00	01	50
4	New gutter-stone furnished and laid.....	1,300 "	20	260 00	In curb. *		22	286 00
5	Old gutter-stone relaid	50 "	02	1 00	In gutter. *		01	50
6	New flagging furnished and laid.....	5,300 square feet.	23	1,219 00	27	1,431 00	24 1/8	1,278 62 1/2
7	Old flagging relaid	300 "	02	6 00	07	21 00	01	3 00
8	New bridge stone for crosswalk furnished } and laid..... }	100 "	47	47 00	85	85 00	50	50 00
9	Vitrified stoneware, pipes, or other forms....	1,000 pounds.	03	30 00	10	100 00	02	20 00
	Time for completion, at \$3.00 per day.....	.....	Days. 23	69 00	Days. 60	180 00	Days. 25	75 00
	Totals.....	.....	.....	\$3,054 00	.....	\$3,712 00	.....	\$3,039 62 1/2

* Included in prices for curb, old and new.

Table of Bids for Regulating, Grading, Setting Curb and Gutter Stones, Flagging the Sidewalks four feet wide, and Laying Crosswalks in One Hundred and Forty-second Street, between the Westerly Curb-line of North Third Avenue and the Easterly Curb-line of Rider Avenue.

Number of Items.	ITEMS FOR WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2		3		4		5		6	
			ROBERT HALL AND F.V. MORRISON.		THOMAS MURRAY.		THOMAS GEARTY.		J. D. MOORE.		D. W. MORAN.		B. C. MURRAY.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Filling.....	1,200 cub. yds.	\$0 35	\$420 00	\$0 45	\$540 00	\$0 65	\$780 00	\$0 40	\$480 00	\$0 51	\$612 00	\$0 40	\$480 00
2	New curb-stone furnished and set.....	1,540 lin. feet.	53	816 20	62	954 80	85	1,309 00	58	893 20	56	862 40	60	924 00
3	Old curb-stone reset.....	100 "	05	5 00	05	5 00	20	20 00	05	5 00	10	10 00	10	10 00
4	New gutter-stone furnished and laid.....	1,540 "	23	354 20	22	338 80	*....	*.....	22	338 80	21	323 40	20	308 00
5	Old gutter-stone relaid.....	100 "	05	5 00	02	2 00	*....	*.....	01	1 00	02	2 00	03	3 00
6	New flagging furnished and laid.....	6,100 sq. feet.	24	1,464 00	25	1,525 00	27	1,647 00	23½	1,433 50	23	1,403 00	25	1,525 00
7	Old flagging relaid.....	425 "	05	21 25	02	8 50	07	29 75	01	4 25	02	8 50	03	12 75
8	New bridge-stones for crosswalks furnished and laid.....	500 "	43	215 00	49	245 00	75	375 00	50	250 00	47	235 00	50	250 00
9	Dry rubble masonry.....	10 cub. yds.	2 50	25 00	2 00	20 00	1 20	12 00	2 00	20 00	3 00	30 00	2 50	25 00
10	Vitrified stone-ware, pipes or other forms.....	2,000 pounds.	02	40 00	01	20 00	10	200 00	08	60 00	02½	50 00	02	40 00
	Time for completion, at \$3.00 per day.....	.....	Days. 40	120 00	Days. 18	54 00	Days. 60	180 00	Days. 25	75 00	Days. 27	81 00	Days. 40	120 00
	Totals.....	.....	....	\$3,485 65	....	\$3,713 10	....	\$4,552 75	....	\$3,560 75	....	\$3,617 30	....	\$3,697 75

* Included in price of new and old curb.

Table of Bids for Regulating, Grading, Setting Curb and Gutter Stones, Flagging the Sidewalks four feet wide, and Laying Crosswalks in One Hundred and Forty-third Street, between the Easterly Curb-line of Brook Avenue and the Westerly Curb-line of St. Ann's Avenue.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2		3		4		5		6	
			J. D. MOORE.		THOS. MURRAY.		ANDREW LOW.		B. C. MURRAY.		THOS. GEARTY.		ROBERT HALL AND F. V. MORRISON.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Filling.....	450 cub. yds.	\$0 10	\$45 00	\$0 20	\$90 00	\$0 30	\$185 00	\$0 39	\$135 00	\$0 75	\$337 50	\$0 17	\$76 50
2	Earth excavation.....	450 "	16	72 00	20	90 00	35	157 50	36	135 00	1 00	450 00	17	76 50
3	Rock excavation.....	250 "	1 50	375 00	1 40	350 00	2 50	625 00	80	200 00	1 70	425 00	1 50	375 00
4	New curb-stone furnished and set.....	1,180 lin. ft.	58	684 40	63	743 40	56	660 80	62	731 60	70	826 00	53	625 40
5	New gutter-stone furnished and laid.....	1,180 "	22	259 60	22	259 60	21	247 80	20	236 00	*..	*.....	23	271 40
6	New flagging furnished and laid.....	4,480 sq. ft.	24	1,075 20	26	1,164 80	23½	1,052 80	26	1,164 80	30	1,344 00	25	1,120 00
7	New bridge-stones for crosswalks furnished and laid.....	860 "	50	430 00	49	421 40	47	404 20	47	404 20	70	602 00	45	387 00
	Time for completion, at \$3 per day.....		Days. 20	60 00	Days. 16	48 00	Days. 33	99 00	Days. 40	120 00	Days. 90	270 00	Days. 40	120 00
	Totals.....		\$3,001 20	\$3,167 20	\$3,382 10	\$3,126 60	\$4,254 50	\$3,051 80

* Included ½ in price for curb.

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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4, 1884.

REGULAR MEETING—10 A. M.

Present—Commissioner VIELE, President.
“ CRIMMINS.
“ OLLIFFE.

The minutes of the meetings of May 21 and June 2 were read, whereupon Commissioner CRIMMINS moved to amend the same by striking out the words “Eighth avenue” in the President’s report on page 49, and in a resolution on page 50, and inserting in lieu thereof the words “Fifth avenue,” and as so amended were approved.

The following communications were received :

138th and other streets—Grade of.

From the Topographical Engineer, reporting relative to a communication from John J. Crane requesting that the grades of the streets crossing his property, situated at the corner of Southern Boulevard and One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street be established, and submitting a plan and profile showing proposed grades of the streets in question.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That under and by virtue of the powers conferred on the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York by chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, they do hereby establish the grades of the streets and avenues within that portion of the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York, shown on a map or plan, entitled “Plan and Profiles of Avenues and Streets between East One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street and Division avenue, and

between Trinity avenue and Southern Boulevard in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York," dated "New York, May 29, 1884," and signed "E. B. Van Winkle, Topographical Engineer, D. P. P.," the same being such as the said Commissioners or a majority of them deem most conducive to the public good, and that the President be and he is hereby designated and directed to have prepared and to certify and file three similar plans or profiles of the same in pursuance of the provisions of the law above cited.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Board of Aldermen.

From the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen, transmitting copies of the following ordinances and resolutions adopted by said Board and approved by the Mayor :

154th street—Regulating, etc.

1st. An ordinance to regulate, grade, etc., One Hundred and Fifty-fourth street, from Courtland avenue to Morris avenue.

Referred to Acting Engineer of Construction.

Sunken lots, Forest avenue.

2d. An ordinance to fill in sunken lots on northwest corner of Forest avenue and One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street.

Referred to Acting Engineer of Construction.

Close public offices.

3d. Resolution to close the public offices of the Corporation on May 31st and July 5th next.

Ordered filed.

Riverdale avenue—Improvement of.

From Joseph H. Godwin, S. L. Berrian and others, requesting that Riverdale avenue, from Broadway to Bailey, be repaired and put in good condition.

Ordered filed.

Post & McCord—Bridge over 138th street.

From Post & McCord, in relation to the progress of the work on their contract for constructing a bridge over One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, in connection with the Madison avenue bridge approach, and asking to be relieved from the enforcement of the penalty for its non-completion within the time called for.

Ordered filed.

Weather vane—Mt. Morris Bell Tower.

From M. L. B. Martin, asking that a weather vane be erected on the bell tower in Mount Morris Square.

Referred to the President.

Nally, officer—Commending conduct of.

From John Parr, commending the conduct of officer Nally in stopping a runaway horse in Central Park on May 21st last.

On motion of Commissioner VIELE, it was

Resolved, That the conduct of Gate-keeper William J. Nally, in stopping a runaway horse in Central Park on 21st ult. is worthy of the highest praise. Such prompt discharge of duty is not only indicative of good discipline, but also a personal interest in the service that he has undertaken to perform, and his example is commended to the force.

Keepers—Conduct on coaching day.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, it was

Resolved, That it be referred to the President to express to the force of Park and Gate Keepers the commendation of the Board for their conduct on the occasion of the parade of the Coaching Club on 24th ultimo.

Telegraph poles on Park avenue.

From the Metropolitan Telephone and Telegraph Company, stating that they had commenced erecting a line of poles on Park avenue, from Fifty-eighth street to One Hundred and Twentieth street, without the knowledge that the consent of this Department was required, and requesting that permission be granted to continue the same as well as to allow those already erected to remain.

From Emmons Clark, Anderson Fowler, A. Leland and others protesting against the erection of telegraph poles along Park avenue.

From the Police Department notifying this Department that instructions have been given to stop the further erection of poles on Park avenue.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, it was

Resolved, That the application of the Metropolitan Telegraph and Telephone Company be and the same is hereby denied, and that said company be directed to forthwith remove the poles placed by them on the sidewalk of Park or Fourth avenue, between Sixty-seventh and Ninety-sixth streets, and restore the flagging to its former good condition.

Guidet Charles—Paving transverse roads.

From Charles Guidet, submitting a statement of his proposed compromise in the matter of paving transverse roads, through Central Park.

Laid over.

Inventory.

From the Property Clerk, submitting an inventory of the property of the Department, under date of April 1, 1884.

Ordered filed.

Shiel, Patrick—Increase of pay.

From Patrick Shiel, harness maker, asking for an increase of pay.

Ordered filed.

Counsel to Corporation—Madison Avenue Bridge approach.

From the Counsel to the Corporation, relative to the confirmation by the Supreme Court, on 31st May last, of the report of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, in the matter of acquiring lands for the southern approach to Madison Avenue Bridge.

Ordered filed.

Kearney, James—Assignment of B. C. Murray.

From James Kearney, attorney for Denis McGrath, submitting an assignment made by B. C. Murray to Denis McGrath of all interest in and claim to a contract for regulating and grading One Hundred and Fifty-ninth street, between Third and Railroad avenues.

Laid over.

170th street—Opening.

From the Topographical Engineer, reporting upon the petition of Henry Zeltner and others, for opening One Hundred and Seventieth street, from Railroad avenue to Webster avenue, and for changing the established grade of the same, and submitting a plan and profile showing proposed changes in the grades.

Referred to the President to report.

Brook avenue—Grading.

Willis avenue—Paving.

From the Acting Engineer of Construction, submitting plans and specifications for grading Brook avenue, from the Bronx Kills to the New York and Harlem Railroad; and for paving Willis avenue, from Southern Boulevard to North Third avenue.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the plans and specifications for regulating, etc., Brook avenue, from the Bronx Kills to the New York and Harlem Railroad, and for paving Willis avenue, from the Southern Boulevard to North Third avenue, as this day submitted by the Acting Engineer of Construction, be approved and ordered printed, and when so printed and approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation that the Secretary be

directed to insert advertisements in the *City Record* inviting proposals for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Damage to property in parks.

From the Superintendent of Parks, relative to the damage to property in Battery Park and the park at Sixty-third street and Boulevard, and the necessity for additional police protection on said parks.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That during the summer months the Superintendent of Parks be authorized to detail a laborer to assist the parkkeepers in the different parks and squares, and also to detail a laborer for duty as watchman at the triangle at Sixty-third street and Boulevard.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Murray, B. C.—Grading Clifton street.

From B. C. Murray, contractor for regulating and grading Clifton street, between St. Ann's and Union avenues, asking that the amount charged for Inspector's time on his contract, when he was obliged to suspend work on account of the weather, be allowed him.

Referred to Commissioner Wales to report.

Graham, C. H.—Increase of rank and pay.

From Charles H. Graham, Assistant under the Topographical Engineer, asking for a change of title and an increase of pay.

Ordered filed.

Swan, W. B., for appointment.

From Wm. B. Swan, applying for appointment as Assistant Engineer of Construction in the Department.

Ordered filed.

Audit.

Commissioner CRIMMINS, from the Auditing Committee, presented the following reports :

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Doherty, H. H., petty disbursements ..	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$90 06	
	Zoological Dept. .	14 48	
			<u>\$104 54</u>
Irvine, A. A. and E. N. Lynch, security for repairs	Regulating, etc., 135th St., from 3d to Alex. Ave.		215 55
Fitzgerald, P. H., payment on acceptance ..	Paving with Trap-blocks, E. 134th St., from 3d to Alexander Ave.		4,433 55
Mitchell, A. H. & Bro., oats, meal, etc.	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....		25 65
Mitchell, A. H. & Bro., oats, corn, etc.	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		524 24
			<u><u>\$5,303 53</u></u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.....	\$614 30
Zoological Department.....	14 48
Maintenance Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards....	25 65
Street Improvements.....	4,649 10
	<u><u>\$5,303 53</u></u>

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of fifty-three hundred and three dollars and fifty-three cents.

(Signed)

JOHN D. CRIMMINS,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, June 4, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bill, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Murray, Bernard C., paving.....Special Fund, Repaving..... \$184 00

Amounting to the sum of one hundred and eighty-four dollars.

(Signed)

JOHN D. CRIMMINS,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, June 4, 1884.

The above-mentioned bill having been read and passed on, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve it, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit it to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

American Supply Co., shovels.....	Sewers and drains.	\$6 65
Arnold, David P., meat	Zoological Dept...	236 60
Brodie, Edward, documents	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	50 00
Draper, Daniel, sundries.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	25 99

Doak, George F., Estimate No. 1.....	Paving Courtland Ave., from N. 3d Ave. to 156th Street.....	\$4,636 80
Ferris, Edwin & Co., salt.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	6 50
Guion, B. R., petty disbursements	Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps.....	42 75
Jones, Charles, Estimate No. 6	Sewers, Grove St., from Brook to N. 3d Ave., with connecting sewers.....	3,865 93
Keystone Bridge Co., Estimate No. 7 ..	Const. Bdgs. over Harlem River..	13,839 32
McGrath, Dennis, Estimate No. 1.....	Paving Lincoln Ave., fr. Southern Boulevard to N. 3d Avenue.	10,808 00
Marquand, H. G., Treas., expenses		
Museum of Art.....	Maint. Museums..	1,631 74
Metropolis Oil Co., waste.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$5 00
	Harlem R. Bdgs .	5 00
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		10 00
The Metropolitan Gas-light Co., gas...	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	70 88
Miller, Anthony, yellow pine poles	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	14 40
Mitchell, A. H. & Bro., corn, oats, etc..	Zoological Dept...	37 90
Moran, Dennis W., payment on acceptance	Crosswalks, Willis Ave., bet. Southern Boulevard and N. 3d Ave..	3,277 17
Moran, Albert E., payment on acceptance	Regulating, etc., 146th St., from east curb-line N. 3d Ave. to east curb-line St. Ann's Ave.....	5,236 20

Murray, B. C., payment on acceptance..	Regulating, etc., Clifton St., from east curb-line St. Ann's Ave. to west curb-line Union Ave.....		\$11,075 65
New, T., felt, etc.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		63 20
Oastler, Wm. C., steam road roller....	Steam Road Roller, 23d and 24th Wards.....		6,200 00
O'Donnell & Treanor, coal.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$56 05	
	Zoological Dept..	18 40	
	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places	2 62	
	Mt. St. Vincent Refreshment House	3 25	
	Riverside Avenue.	1 05	
	Harlem R. Bdgs..	6 63	
			<hr/> 88 00
Perkins, James H., Estimate No. 2....	Regulating, etc., 165th St., from east curb-line Boston Road to west curb-line Union Ave.....		2,571 52
Robitzek, G. & Bro., coal	Riverside Park...		10 50
Robitzek, G. & Bro., coal.....	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places		45 00
Steers Brothers, spruce.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards		22 50
Schoonmaker, S. & Co., varnishes, etc..	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		100 58
Treacy, Thomas F., Mould.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		91 70
			<hr/> <hr/> \$64,065 48

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.....	\$484 30
Zoological Department.....	292 90
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps..	42 75
Walks, Central Park and City Parks and Places.....	47 62
Harlem River Bridges.....	11 63
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Construction Bridges over Harlem River.....	13,839 32
Maintenance Museums.....	1,631 74
	\$64,065 48

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of sixty-four thousand and sixty-five dollars and forty-eight cents.

(Signed)

JOHN D. CRIMMINS,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, June 3, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Assessment lists.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the following-named assessment lists : “For constructing a sewer and appurtenances in One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, between Brook avenue and Mill brook, and between Mill brook and Courtland avenue, with a branch in Bergen avenue, between One Hundred and Forty-eighth

and One Hundred and Forty-ninth streets ;” for “regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide in One Hundred and Fifty-third street, from the westerly curb-line of Third avenue to the easterly curb-line of Fourth avenue ;” “flagging the sidewalks a space four feet wide, and setting curb and gutter stones in One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, between Willis and St. Ann’s avenues ;” for “setting curb and laying flagging and gutter stones on and along the western sidewalk of St. Ann’s avenue, from seventy-five feet northerly from One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street to One Hundred and Forty-first street ;” and “laying crosswalks in Lincoln avenue, at the southerly intersection of the Southern Boulevard, and at the intersection of each street, from the Southern Boulevard to and including One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street, also across each street, within the aforesaid limits, at the intersection of Lincoln avenue,” and also the statements of the amounts and costs of the work therein mentioned, be approved and signed by the Commissioners of the Department and transmitted to the Board of Assessors.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Contracts awarded.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That contracts for work for which proposals were opened on the 2d instant be awarded as follows :

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| No. 1. For constructing a sewer with appurtenances and branches in Webster avenue, between One Hundred and Sixty-fifth and One Hundred and Eighty-fourth streets. Charles Jones..... | \$172,758 90 |
| No. 2. For constructing a sewer and appurtenances in Washington avenue, between Brook avenue and One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street. Thomas J. Allen, James W. O’Grady and Thomas O’Mally | 25,839 40 |

<p>No. 3. For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging the sidewalk four feet wide, and laying crosswalks in One Hundred and Forty-first street, between the westerly curb-line of North Third avenue and the easterly curb-line of Rider avenue. Robert Hall and F. V. Morrison</p>	<p>\$2,909 00</p>
<p>No. 4. For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging the sidewalk four feet wide, and laying crosswalks in One Hundred and Forty-second street, between the westerly curb-line of North Third avenue and the easterly curb-line of Rider avenue. Robert Hall and F. V. Morrison</p>	<p>3,485 65</p>
<p>No. 5. For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging the sidewalk four feet wide, and laying crosswalks in One Hundred and Forty-third street, between the easterly curb-line of Brook avenue and the westerly curb-line of St. Ann's avenue. J. D. Moore</p>	<p>3,001 20</p>
<p>No. 6. For regulating grading, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging the sidewalks four feet wide, and laying crosswalks in One Hundred and Fifty-ninth street, from the westerly curb-line of North Third avenue to the easterly curb-line of Railroad avenue, East. B. C. Murray</p>	<p>7,958 70</p>

—they being the lowest bidders for said several works; that the proposals be sent to the Comptroller for his approval of sureties; when so approved, that contracts be entered into with the aforementioned parties for doing said several works, and that the President be authorized to sign said contracts and appoint Inspectors on the work when required, and that the papers this day received from James Kearney, attorney for Denis McGrath, enclosing assignment of B. C. Murray, be transmitted to the Comptroller with the proposal of B. C. Murray.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Executive Session.

On motion, at 11.10 o'clock, A.M., the Board went into Executive Session.

Bicycles.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS it was

Resolved, That the riding of bicycles across McComb's dam bridge and Third avenue bridge be forbidden, and that persons crossing said bridges with bicycles shall be required to dismount and pass over on foot.

Superintendent of Parks.

From the Superintendent of Parks :

1st. Recommending the appointment of a gardener for work on Riverside Drive, and that the services of John Hennessey with horse and cart be dispensed with.

Hennessey, John—Horse and cart.
Gardener transferred.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That John Hennessey with horse and cart be transferred from Riverside Drive to Riverside Park, and that the Superintendent of Parks be directed to transfer a gardener for work on Riverside Drive.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Sheridan, Terrence }
Mahoney, Timothy } —For increase of pay.
Cahill, John }
Howard, Michael }

2d. Enclosing applications from Terrence Sheridan and Timothy Mahoney for promotion from laborers to the grades

of gardener and blacksmith's helper respectively, and from John Cahill and Michael Howard, laborers, for an increase of pay during summer months.

Ordered filed.

Kent, Daniel--For transfer.

3d. Reporting that he had detailed Daniel Kent, laborer for duty under the Captain of Police, by order of the President, subject to his being transferred by the Board.

Commissioner VIELE moved that Daniel Kent, laborer, be transferred for duty under the Captain of Police.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the negative, a majority of all of the members of the Board not voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins—2.

No—Commissioner Olliffe—1.

Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards.

From the Superintendent Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.

Temporary suspensions.

1st. Reporting the temporary suspension of men and teams during stormy weather.

Approved.

Works in progress.

2d. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Bronx River Bridges—railing on retaining wall.

3d. submitting an estimate for furnishing and erecting an iron railing on the retaining walls of the approaches to bridges over Bronx river at Pelham avenue, and at Williams-bridge.

Referred to the Treasurer to report.

Ghetti, L. G.—Resignation.

From Leon G. Ghetti, resigning his position as messenger in the Department.

Accepted.

Kellogg, M. A.

From M. A. Kellogg, Engineer, recommending the employment of additional laborers and horses, and carts, for construction work on the Parks.

Laborers for work on construction.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the employment of sixteen laborers, and four horses and carts, be and the same is hereby authorized for duty on construction works of the Parks.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Connell, James }
Vaughn, Edward } —Appointed.
Crook, Michael }

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the following persons be and they are hereby appointed :

James Connell, laborer on the parks.

Edward Vaughn, laborer on the parks.

Michael Crook, laborer on tar walks.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Sheridan, Patrick } —Restored.
 Kelly, Henry }

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That Patrick Sheridan and Henry Kelly be and they are hereby restored to duty as laborers.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Kent, Daniel—Transferred.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That Daniel Kent, laborer, be and he is hereby transferred from Riverside Park to work on Central Park.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Water-closets—Tompkins Square.

The Treasurer presented the following estimates for furnishing and placing water-closets and urinals in the cottage in Tompkins Square, in accordance with the specifications prepared by the Architect :

John Toumey	\$780 00
James McLaughlin	735 00

Commissioner VIELE moved that the Treasurer be authorized to issue an order to James McLaughlin for doing the work, at an expense not to exceed \$735, as per estimate.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Police station.

Commissioner VIELE called up the estimates received at a meeting held on 21st May last for fitting up a police sub-station in the basement of the new refreshment building in Central Park, and moved that the estimate of James Brady, amounting to \$967, be accepted as the lowest bid, and that the Treasurer be authorized to issue an order for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Kingsbridge road—Improvement.

Commissioner CRIMMINS, to whom was referred for examination and report the subject of the improvement of Kingsbridge road, stated that he had given instructions for the preparation of the necessary data to enable him to make a report in full at the next meeting of the Board.

Fence on Fifth avenue.

The President and Treasurer, to whom was referred the subject of erecting a fence along the Fifth avenue boundary of the park, between Ninety-sixth and One Hundred and Second streets, made a verbal report, whereupon Commissioner CRIMMINS moved the Superintendent of Parks be directed to make a requisition for the materials necessary for erecting said fence and gate, and to proceed with the work under the direction of the President and Treasurer.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

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McCabe, Patrick—Appointed,

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That Patrick McCabe be and he is hereby appointed a laborer on the parks.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, O'Hiffe—3.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, at 12 o'clock M., the executive session arose and the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 1884.

REGULAR MEETING—10 A. M.

Present—Commissioner VIELE, President.

“ WALES,

“ CRIMMINS.

“ OLLIFFE.

Port Morris District map.

The regular order of business being suspended,

Mr. Samuel R. Lyon, appeared before the Board, and was heard in relation to the taking of land for the proposed parks, as shown on the map for laying out the Port Morris District, adopted on 16th of April, 1884.

Mr. L. B. Brown appeared in relation to the same subject.

Port Morris District map—Repealed.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the resolution of this Board, adopted April 16, 1884, adopting a map, laying out the Port Morris District, be and the same is hereby repealed.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Port Morris District map—Amended and adopted.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That under and by virtue of the power conferred on the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York, by chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, they do hereby lay out, establish, classify and discontinue the streets, roads and avenues, within that portion of the Twenty-third Ward, of the City of New York, bounded on the west by the western line of St. Ann's avenue; on the north by St. Mary's street, Trinity avenue, St. Joseph street, Robbins avenue, Division avenue, Edgewater road and Bungay street; on the east by the Long Island sound; and on the south by East One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street and the Southern Boulevard, as shown on a map or plan entitled, "Plan of streets, roads and avenues of the Port Morris District, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York," dated New York, March 31, 1884, and signed E. B. Van Winkle, Topographical Engineer, Department Public Parks, showing the width, course, windings and classifications of said streets, roads and avenues, the same being such as the said Commissioners, or a majority of them, deem most conducive to the public good; and that the President be hereby authorized and directed to certify and file three similar maps or plans, in accordance with the requirements of the act above cited.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Brush Electric Light—To erect poles.

Mr. W. L. Strong, on behalf of the Brush Electric Illuminating Company, appeared and presented an application for permission to erect electric light poles on Forty-second street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues, Park avenue, from Thirty-third to Forty-second street, and on Fifty-ninth street, from Third to Ninth avenue, under a contract with the city to light said streets and avenues.

On motion, said application was laid over.

Washington Statue—Site for erection.

Mr. Cyrus Clark appeared and asked that a site be designated on Riverside Park upon which to erect the Houdan Statue of Washington, now in the possession of the Department.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the finished ground west of Riverside avenue and opposite Eighty-ninth street, be and the same is hereby designated as a site for the erection of Houdan's Statue of Washington, now in the possession of the Department, and that the whole subject of the erection of the same be referred to the President with power, the owners of the adjacent property agreeing to pay all expenses for the base and the erection of the monument.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Beall, J. A.—Bay window on building, 148th street.

Mr. J. A. Beall appeared and presented a petition from Jacob Cohen, Edward H. Pirsson, for permission to allow a portion of a structure belonging to them and extending four feet beyond the house line of One Hundred and Forty-eighth street, between Bergan and Brook avenues to remain in its present position, also to erect a bay window on said structure.

Laid over.

Museum of Art Trustees—Enlargement of building.

A communication was received from the Trustees of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, enclosing a certified copy of chapter 447, Laws of 1884, being an Act to amend the Consolidation Act by authorizing this Department to enlarge the Art Museum building on the Central Park, and asking that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be requested to provide an appropriation for the purposes of carrying out the provision of the said act.

Mr. Theodore Westor, architect, appeared and presented plans which he had prepared by direction of the Trustees of the Metropolitan Museum of Art for enlarging the Museum building.

Museum of Art—Plans adopted.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the Board of Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks approve and adopt the ground plans prepared by the Trustees of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, for the improvement and enlargement of the building now occupied by them on the Central Park, as provided for by chapter 447 of the Laws of 1884.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Museum of Art—Requisition for appropriation.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Whereas, By chapter 447 of the Laws of 1884, the trustees of the Metropolitan Museum of Art are authorized to prepare plans for the enlargement of the building now erected upon that portion of the Central Park east of the old receiving reservoir, and now in the possession and occupation of the Metropolitan Museum of Art ; and

Whereas, Ground plans have been prepared by said trustees and submitted to and approved of by the Department of Public Parks ; and

Whereas, The trustees of the Metropolitan Museum of Art have, by its President and Secretary, in a communication to the Department of Public Parks, of June 6, 1884, made a request to join in a formal request to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, to be transmitted with that of this Department, asking an immediate appropriation for the purposes of carrying out the provisions of said act ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and is hereby respectfully requested to authorize the Comptroller to issue bonds or stock for the purpose of providing the money for the prosecution of the work hereinbefore

mentioned as authorized and called for in chapter 447 of the Laws of 1884.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said preamble and resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Weston, Theodore—Appointed.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That Theodore Weston be and he is hereby appointed to superintend the work of enlarging the Art Museum building in Central Park authorized by chapter 447 of the Laws of 1884, and that he receive as compensation for such services five per cent. on the expenditures for such work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Pfeiffer, Carl—To erect bay windows.

Mr. Carl Pfeiffer, Architect, appeared and presented an application from Phye & Campbell for permission to erect four bay windows on the plaza front of their new building, now in course of erection, on the west side of Fifth avenue, between Fifty-eighth and Fifty-ninth streets ; also, six bay windows on said building fronting on Fifty-ninth street.

Laid over.

Godwin, Joseph H.—To open and grade a street.

Mr. Joseph H. Godwin appeared and presented a communication asking for an amendment to the proposition made by him in connection with Fordham Morris on November 21, 1883, for permission to cede to the city the property within the lines of a street running through his property, as shown on a map presented by him, and for permission to improve the same in accordance therewith.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the proposition of Joseph H. Godwin, as this day received, meets with the approval of this Board, and that the permission as desired by him be granted, to take effect when he has ceded to the city the property within the limits of the street he desires to improve, under the direction of this Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Mott avenue, Delmonico place—With act in relation to.

Alderman Fullgraff appeared and presented a communication enclosing a certified copy of chapter 457 of the Laws of 1884, being an act establishing the lines of Mott avenue and Trinity avenue, or Delmonico place, in the Twenty-third Ward, and calling attention to the necessity for speedy action in the matter of changing the present lines of Delmonico place in order to locate the corner lines at One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, which is now being regulated and graded.

On motion, that part of said communication respecting Delmonico place was referred to the Acting Engineer of Construction, and the copy of the Act enclosed therewith was referred to the Acting Topographical Engineer.

Pipe street—Change of name to St. James street.

Alderman Fullgraff also presented communications from :

1st. John B. Haskins, F. W. Devoe, H. B. Claffin and others, relative to the changing of the name of Croton avenue to "Pipe street," and requesting that it be called "St. James street."

On motion of Commissioner WALES, it was

Resolved, That hereafter the street now known as Pipe street be designated on the maps of the Department as St. James street.

Sewer in 139th street.

2d. From Wm. T. Onderdonk, Miss H. A. Gaffney and others, property owners, petitioning for the extension of the present sewer in One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street, from its eastern terminus to Willis avenue.

Referred to the Acting Engineer of Construction.

Fulton Avenue Park—Railing.

Commissioner OLLIFFE presented a design prepared by the Architect for a railing to be erected on the southerly side of the park on Fulton avenue, between One Hundred and Sixty-ninth and One Hundred and Seventieth streets, and moved that the same be approved.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

The regular order of business was then resumed.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

The following communications were received :

Comptroller—Proposal of B. C. Murray, assignment substitution of sureties.

From the Comptroller, returning the proposal of B. C. Murray for grading, etc., One Hundred and Fifty-ninth street, for the consent of this Department to the substitution of James Bowen and Charles Jones as sureties in place of Adolph G. Hupfel and Patrick Murray; also returning an assignment of the contract to Denis McGrath, for the approval of this Department.

Counsel to Corporation to report on proposal of B. C. Murray.

On motion of Commissioner VIELE, it was

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to transmit to the Counsel to the Corporation all the papers connected with the

proposal of B. C. Murray for regulating, etc., One Hundred and Fifty-ninth street, the communication of James Kearney, Attorney, with the assignment therein referred to, as well as the communication of the Comptroller in relation to the same, with the request that he advise this Department as to its duties in relation to the matter.

Allan, O'Grady & Co.—Substitution of sureties.

From the Comptroller, returning the proposal of Allan, O'Grady & Co. for constructing a sewer in Washington avenue without his approval of the sureties thereon, and stating the proposition of the bidders to substitute John Claffy as a surety in place of Henry H. Brown.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the consent of this Department is hereby given to the substitution of the name of John Claffy in lieu of that of Henry H. Brown as one of the sureties on the proposal of Thomas J. Allan, James W. O'Grady and Thomas O'Maley, for constructing a sewer in Washington avenue.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Transfers.

From the Clerk of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, transmitting copies of the following resolutions adopted by said Board :

Resolved, That in accordance with the request of the Department of Public Parks, referred to the Comptroller at meeting held June 2, 1884, the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500), be and the same hereby is transferred from the following appropriations, made to the Department of Public Parks for the year 1884, viz. :

"Maintenance and Government of Parks and Places—Labor, Maintenance and Supplies".....	\$500 00
"Central Park Construction".....	1,000 00
"Drainage and Irrigation of the Central Park".....	1,000 00
Total.....	<u>\$2,500 00</u>

—the same being in excess of the amounts required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation made to the same Department for "Maintenance and Government of Parks and Places—Salaries," 1884, for which it is required.

Ordered filed.

Drains—23d & 24th Wards.

Resolved, That pursuant to section 142 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized to issue, from time to time, as may be required, and at such rate of interest as he may determine, not exceeding three per cent. per annum, "Assessment Fund Bonds of the Corporation of the City of New York" to the amount of \$14,162.84, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the awards made to the owners of lands for the right of way required for drains to be constructed in the Twenty-third Ward, and expenses, incurred under a proceeding of Commissioners of Assessment, appointed by the Supreme Court; confirmed March 1, 1884.

Ordered filed.

Bridge Bonds—Issue of.

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized and directed to issue, as may be required, and at such rate of interest as he may determine, not exceeding three per cent. per annum, bonds of the City of New York, to an amount not exceeding five thousand dollars (\$5,000), for the preliminary surveys and plans of a bridge over the Harlem river, north of the bridge known as High Bridge, in accordance with the provisions of section 3 of chapter 534 of the Laws of 1871; section 16 of chapter 329, Laws of 1874, and sections 132 and 676 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, which said bonds shall be issued under the denomination of Consolidated Stock of the City of New York.

Ordered filed.

Stand on Third avenue approach to Bridge.

From James W. Colwell, complaining of a booth or stand located on the sidewalk in front of his premises on the west side of Third avenue, between Harlem river and One Hundred and Thirty-third street.

Referred to Commissioner Olliffe.

Port Morris map.

From Lexow & Haldane, in relation to monumenting the premises bounded by One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, St. Mary's avenue, and St. Ann's and Trinity avenues.

Ordered filed.

Columbia Amateur Band.

From the Columbia Amateur Band, in relation to giving concerts on Friday evenings in Washington Square.

Referred to the President.

Chalfin, S. T.—Applying for appointment.

From S. T. Chalfin, applying for the position of Topographical Engineer in the Department.

Ordered filed.

Mahoney, Timothy—For promotion.

From Timothy Mahoney, applying for promotion from “Helper” to Blacksmith.

Laid over.

Bremer avenue opening.

From the Topographical Engineer, reporting upon the petition of John D. Barry, D. A. McLeod and others for the opening of Bremer avenue, from Jerome avenue to Devoe street, and recommending that proceedings be ordered initiated for acquiring title to said avenue, upon the filing of the map of the High Bridge District.

Ordered filed.

Thanks to Departments.

On motion of Commissioner VIELE, it was

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to convey to the Department of Docks, Department of Police, Department of Public Works, and Department of Street Cleaning the thanks and appreciation of this Department for the prompt and cordial co-operation given by these several Departments on the occasion of the unveiling of the statue of Bolivar, thereby materially aiding in the success of the occasion.

Audit.

Commissioner WALES, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, presented the following reports :

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

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Coogan, William, monuments.....	Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, etc., 1883.	\$322 80
Colcord, Samuel, mould.....	Manhatt'n Square, 1883.....	70 00
Keuffel & Esser, taxes.....	Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, 1883.....	60 00
Nuhn & Strobaecker, Estimate No. 1 and final.....	Parks, intersection 3d and Boston Avenues, and Franklin and Fulton Avenues, 1881.....	1,967 94
Perris & Browne, maps.....	Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, 1883.....	50 00
		<hr/> \$2,470 74

RECAPITULATION.

Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, etc., 1883.....	\$432 80
Manhattan Square, Improvement of, 1883.....	70 00
Parks at intersection of Third and Boston Avenues, and Franklin and Fulton Avenues, 1881.....	1,967 94
	<hr/> \$2,470 74

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of twenty-four hundred and seventy dollars and seventy-four cents.

(Signed)

S. H. WALES,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, June 18, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

American Supply Co., waste.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	\$5 50
Bradley, E., mould	Manhatt'n Square, Impt. of.....	35 00
Beck, Louis D., gravel	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places.....	780 75
Benoit, A. V., scales.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	2 80
Canda & Kane, cement.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$136 70
	Zoological Dept..	10 80
		<hr/> 147 50
Cappa, C. A., music.....	Music	460 00
Casey, Thos. H., Estimate No. 3.....	Sewer, N. 3d Ave. and Bost'n Road, bet. Brook Ave. and 167th St., etc.	4,494 52
The Composite Iron Works, railing, etc..	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	42 00
Crombie, Thos. J., lumber.....	Riverside Park ...	93 58
Denning, E. J. & Co., ticking.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	2 20
Foy, Patrick, broken stone.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	221 81
The Gutta Percha and Rubber Mfg. Co., hose, etc.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$202 68
	Riverside Avenue.	18 10
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Harmer, Hayes & Co., leather, etc	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$20 42
Knickerbocker Ice Co., ice	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	1 56
McKinney, J. H. & Co., cap and cover	Police	2 00
MacNamara, James, blacksmithing	Bronx R. Bridges	19 50
McAllister, F. E., trowels and trees	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	334 36
McAllister, F. E., lawn mowers	Riverside Avenue	51 95
McQuade, John, Estimate No. 15	Const. Bdgs. over Harlem River	4,815 26
McQuade, John, Estimate No. 23	Const. Bdgs. over Harlem River	1,574 13
McGrath, Dennis, payment on accept- ance	Paving Lincoln Ave., fr. South- ern Boulevard to N. 3d Avenue	4,977 05
Moran, Dennis W., payment on accept- ance	Crosswalks, Morris Ave., bet. N. 3d and R. R. Ave	3,227 48
Moran, Dennis W., Estimate No. 1	Regulating, etc., 138th St., from St. Ann's to (Col- lege) Rider Ave	3,837 47
Moran, Dennis W., Estimate No. 1	Regulating, etc., 148th St., from east curb-line N. 3d Ave. to west curb-line St. Ann's Ave	1,060 50
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, wheels	Harlem R. Bdgs	670 28
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, iron pipe	Mt. St. Vincent Refreshment House	71 12
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, iron rollers	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places	20 00

Morgan, J. P., Treas., expenses Museum Natural History.....	Maint. Museums..	\$1,575 25
Murray, P., blacksmithing.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	20 55
N. Y. Mutual Gas-light Co., heating...	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	115 50
Otis & Gorsline, vitrified pipe.....	Mt. St. Vincent Refreshment House.....	1 90
Phalen, John, mould.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	17 50
Pritchard & Son, sods.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	200 00
Reynolds, C. T. & Co., glue, etc.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	12 31
Reiche, Chas. & Bro., bird food.....	Zoological Dept. ..	12 00
Riddle, George, tin signs.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	18 00
Robinson, E., Atlases.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	100 00
Stein Brothers, lumber.....	Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps.....	20 00
Scoville Mfg. Co., buttons.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	15 00
Seymour, W. N. & Co., sundries.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	\$41 16
	Riverside Avenue.....	1 00
	Riverside Park...	2 70
	Harlem R. Bdgs .	40
		<hr/> 45 26
Tysen, David J., Jr, cabbages and turnips	Zoological Dept...	280 00
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RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.....	\$1,466 00
Maintenance Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards....	44 05
Zoological Department.....	302 80
Walks, Central Park and City Parks and Places.....	800 75
Manhattan Square, Improvement of.....	35 00
Riverside Park.....	96 28
Riverside Avenue.....	71 05
Street Improvements.....	17,597 02
Construction Bridges over Harlem River.....	6,389 39
Maintenance Museums.....	1,575 25
Music.....	460 00
Mount St. Vincent Refreshment House.....	73 02
Police.....	2 00
Bronx River Bridges.....	19 50
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps ..	20 00
Harlem River Bridges.....	670 68
	\$29,622 79

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of twenty-nine thousand six hundred and twenty-two dollars and seventy-nine cents.

(Signed)

S. H. WALES,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, June 18, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Boller, A. P., plans for bridge	Const. Bdgs. over Harlem River. . .	\$1,000 00
Buck & McNulty, plans for bridge.	Const. Bdgs. over Harlem River . .	1,000 00
Joseph M. Wilson, plans for bridge	Const. Bdgs. over Harlem River . .	1,000 00
		————— \$3,000 00
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Amounting to the sum of three thousand dollars.

(Signed)

S. H. WALES,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, June 18, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

No—Commissioner Olliffe—1.

Ladies' Cottage—Location.

Commissioner WALES, to whom was referred the subject of selecting a site for a ladies' cottage in Central Park, made a verbal report, and offered the following :

Resolved, That a point west of Conservatory Lake and east of the walk running from the Trefoil Arch in Central Park, be and the same is hereby designated as a site for the erection of a ladies' cottage, and that the Curlers' cottage be removed to the east shore of the Conservatory Lake.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Ladies' Cottage—Plans approved.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the plans and specifications prepared and submitted by the architect for a ladies' cottage to be erected in Central Park be approved and ordered printed, and when so printed and approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation that the Secretary be directed to insert advertisements in the *City Record* inviting proposals for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Riverdale avenue—Grading.

Commissioner Crimmins, to whom was referred the petition of Joseph H. Godwin and others, for the repair and alteration of Riverdale avenue, between Broadway and Bailey avenue, presented a report recommending that the work be done in accordance with the request of the petitioners, and submitted plans and specifications and the following estimate :

	FILLING, GRADING AND DRAINING.	MACADAM- IZING.	TOTAL.
J. P. Cumming, Jr.	\$827 10	\$613 66	\$1,440 76
Arnold & Stephens	892 00	598 00	1,490 00
Thomas Murray	667 00	990 00	1,600 00
Edward N. Lynch	825 00	1,050 00	1,806 00
John Forsyth	835 00	1,200 00	1,985 00
Arnold & Stephen's Second Bid, complete...	.....	.....	1,400 00

Murray, Thomas—Grading Riverdale avenue.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the proposal of Thomas Murray, for filling, grading and draining, amounting to \$667.00, be accepted as the lowest bid, and that the Treasurer be authorized to issue an order for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Kinderberg—Estimate for rustic repairs.

The Treasurer presented the following estimates for repairing the rustic roof of the Kinderberg in Central Park :

F. E. McAllister	\$996 00
John Wheeler	1,427 00
Cottam & Seabrecht	2,199 00

Commissioner VIELE moved that the Treasurer be authorized to issued an order to F. E. McAllister for doing the work at an expense not to exceed \$996, the amount of his proposal.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Bridge over Harlem river—Approval of plans submitted by J. M. Wilson.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Whereas, Under the provisions of section 3, chapter 534 of the laws of 1871, this Department is authorized to construct a bridge over the Harlem river at not more than a half a mile above the High Bridge ; and

Whereas, By resolutions adopted by this Board on June 6, and October 17, 1883, the history of the action taken under the law above mentioned, and the urgent necessities for the speedy erection of a bridge at the point indicated are fully set forth and made known, and

Whereas, In conformity with the resolutions above-referred to eminent engineers have presented three different sets of plans for the erection of this bridge, each possessing peculiar degrees of merit and costing respectively, \$3,064,624, \$1,500,000, \$1,193,347, and

Whereas, It is the duty of this Board to provide adequate means of travel over the Harlem river, and at the same time to be governed by a judicious economy; therefore be it

Resolved, That the plan submitted by Mr. Joseph M. Wilson, showing stone piers at an estimated cost of \$1,193,347, be and the same is accepted and adopted, and that Mr. Wilson be requested to proceed without delay with the preparation of working drawings, specifications, and contracts for the stone work and the superstructure, separate, and complete, and submit the same to this Board for its action; that the compensation to be paid Mr. Wilson for the preparation of all plans and the supervision of the work of constructing said bridge shall be five per cent. on the amounts paid under the several contracts for its construction, less the sum of \$1,000, as authorized and stipulated under resolution of the Board of December 19, 1883.

Laid over.

Seats—City Hall Park.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following:

Resolved, That the Superintendent of Parks be directed to replace in the City Hall Park the settees that have been removed therefrom.

Laid over.

Disinfectant Cement.

From John Callanan, offering disinfecting cement for sale for use in the Central Park Lakes.

Referred to the Acting Engineer of Construction.

Executive Session.

On motion, at 12.15 o'clock P. M., the Board went into Executive Session.

Mahoney, Timothy—Pay of.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following:

Resolved, That the pay of Timothy Mahoney, blacksmith's helper, be fixed at \$2 per day.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Engine on Third Avenue Bridge.

From the Superintendent of Parks, relative to the necessity for an engine of greater power than the one now in use at the Third Avenue Bridge.

Ordered filed.

Mantel—Refreshment House.

From the Architect, submitting a modified design for a mantel for the hall of the new refreshment building in Central Park.

Commissioner VIELE moved that the design submitted by the Architect, marked "D," be approved, omitting the seats as shown thereon.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Mantel in Commissioners' Room—Refreshment house.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That a wooden mantel be provided for the room reserved for the use of the Commissioners in the new refreshment building, at an expense not to exceed \$100.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Claremont—Estimate for sashes, doors, stairs.

Commissioner VIELE presented the following estimates :

For furnishing and putting in sashes, doors, etc., in the building at Claremont, on Riverside Park, as per specifications :

J. B. Smith.....	\$990 00
James Brady.....	980 00
Wm. R. Powers.....	872 00

For furnishing and putting up three flights of stairs in the building at "Claremont," as per specifications :

J. L. Haines.....	\$800 00
Nobis & Reed.....	600 00
Patrick Corr.....	485 00

William R. Powers having withdrawn his proposal,

Commissioner VIELE moved that the estimates of James Brady, amounting to \$980, and Patrick Corr, amounting to \$485, be accepted as the lowest bids, and that the Treasurer be authorized to issue orders for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Refreshment house—Hood over door.

The PRESIDENT presented a design prepared by the Architect for a hood over the north entrance to the new refreshment building in Central Park. Also drawings for modifying the steps at the east entrance to said building, with a proposal from James Brady for doing the work, for the sum of \$277.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the design and drawings as prepared by the Architect be approved and that the

Treasurer be authorized to issue an order to James Brady for doing the work, at an expense not to exceed \$277.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Water closets at High Bridge Hotel.

From the Architect submitting plans and specifications for water closets, partitions, etc., to be placed in the out-building of High Bridge Hotel.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the plans and specifications as submitted by the Architect be approved and that the matter be referred to the Treasurer with power.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Superintendent Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.

Temporary suspension.

From the Superintendent Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards :

1. Reporting the temporary suspension of men and teams during stormy weather.

Approved.

Works in progress.

2. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Fulton Avenue Park.

3. In relation to providing protection for the Fulton Avenue Park, between One Hundred and Sixty-ninth and One Hundred and Seventieth streets.

Referred to the President.

Expense bills of Engineer Corps.

From the Topographical and Acting Engineer of Construction, enclosing a statement giving the sum which in his opinion is justly due to each of the employees under him for expenses incurred in traveling in the discharge of their duties during the months of January, February, March and April, 1884.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, the employees under the Topographical and Acting Engineer of Construction, were directed to make out their bills in accordance with the statement this day received and present them for payment.

Boller, A. P.—Corrected estimate on Madison Ave. Bridge.

From A. P. Boller, Engineer, submitting a corrected estimate for 90 per cent. payment, on account of work done by the Keystone Bridge Company, on their contract for the superstructure of the Madison Avenue Bridge, and requesting that the same be substituted for estimate No. 7, now in the Finance Department.

Referred to the President.

Stone masons.

A petition was received from the stone masons employed in the Department, asking an additional fifty cents per day to their pay since January 1, 1884.

Referred to the Superintendent of Parks to report.

Float at Third Avenue Bridge.

From C. H. Longstreet, W. H. Colwell and others, in relation to a float moored at the Third Avenue Bridge.

Referred to Commissioner Olliffe.

Koch, Herman—Employment continued.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That Herman Koch, Assistant under the Acting Engineer of Construction, be and he is hereby continued in the service of the Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Roberts, G. S.—Resignation.

From G. S. Roberts, resigning his position as Assistant Engineer in the Department.

Accepted.

Foley, Daniel—Restoration.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That Daniel Foley be and he is hereby restored to duty as laborer on the Central Park.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

James Brady for payment on Refreshment Building.

From James Brady requesting a payment of \$8,000 on account of work done under his contract for erecting a refreshment building on Central Park.

Ordered filed.

Duffy, Terrance—Restoration.

On motion, the subject of the restoration of Terrance Duffy as blacksmith, was referred to the Superintendent of Parks to report.

Police Trials.

Commissioner WALES, to whom was referred the subject of the investigation of charges preferred against members of the Police Force of the Department, made a verbal report and recommended as follows :

1st. That the charges of absence from roll-call against Parkkeepers Bernard R. Connolly, Edward P. Alcorn and Francis J. McGuire, and the charge of being off post against Parkkeeper Francis Hillier be dismissed.

2d. That the charges of being off post and being in a liquor saloon against Gatekeeper Henry McGonigle be dismissed with a caution.

3d. That the charges of being off post and intoxication against Gatekeeper Matthew McInerney be dismissed with a caution.

3d. That Parkkeepers Bernard Bray, Thomas Green, George Hall and John F. Murphy, charged with being absent without leave, be fined one-half day's pay each.

5. That Gatekeeper, Henry McGonigle, charged with being absent without leave, be fined one day's pay.

6. That Parkkeeper, Thomas F. Thompson, charged with neglect of duty on March 17 ; absence from roll-call on April 8 and 11; and absence without leave on April 27, be fined five days' pay.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said recommendations, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

O'Brien, Thos.—Appointed.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That Thomas O'Brien be and he is hereby appointed a laborer on the parks.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Engineer and Fireman—Madison Avenue Bridge.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the subject of the employment of an engineer and fireman for duty on the Madison Avenue Bridge be referred to the President and Treasurer with power.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Laborers for work on Riverside Park.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the employment of eight laborers be authorized for work on Riverside Park.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Guidet, Charles—Transverse Road Paving.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, the statement of proposed compromise in the matter of paving Transverse roads through Central Park, received from Charles Guidet and laid over at the last meeting of the Board, was called up.

Debate was had thereon, when, on motion, the further consideration of the subject was laid over.

Keepers Discharged.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the enforcement of the resolution of this Board, adopted March 5, 1884, dismissing certain members of the force of keepers, on the grounds of physical disabilities, to take effect April 1, 1884, and which was subsequently extended to take effect July 1, 1884, be, and the same is hereby further extended to take effect October 1, 1884, after which time there shall be no further delay in the enforcement of said resolution as amended and extended, and that the persons therein mentioned be notified thereof.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Topographical Work in Progress.

From Frederick Grieffenberg, assistant engineer, reporting upon the progress of the topographical work of the Department.

Ordered filed.

Casino—Repairs to.

Commissioner CRIMMINS, to whom was referred the subject of authorizing the licensé of the Casino on the Central Park, to make necessary repairs to the same, and deduct the cost thereof from his license fee, in accordance with the terms of his license, presented a statement of the account, with duplicate vouchers, and a check for \$232.85, being the amount due the Department, and moved that the same be approved, and the check be deposited by the Treasurer with the City Chamberlain.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, at 1.05 o'clock P. M., the executive session arose and the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 2, 1884.

REGULAR MEETING—10 A. M.

Present—Commissioner VIELE, President.

“ WALES,
“ CRIMMINS,
“ OLLIFFE.

Beall, J. A.—Building on line of 148th street.

On motion, the regular order of business was suspended, and J. A. Beall, Esq., appeared before the Board and was heard in relation to the petition, received and laid over at the last meeting, from Jacob Cohen and Edward H. Pirsson, for permission to allow a portion of a structure extending beyond the house-line of One Hundred and Forty-eighth street to remain in its present position, and presented a written agreement, signed by Messrs. Cohen and Pirsson, declaring that they will not object to the assessment for regulating and grading One Hundred and Forty-eighth street because of the maintenance of such structure.

Ordered filed.

High Bridge district map—Protest of John Karl.

Fordham Morris, Esq., appeared on behalf of John Karl, and was heard in opposition to the filing of a map laying out a park as shown on a map of the High Bridge district, adopted by this Board on May 7, 1884.

On motion, the further consideration of the matter was laid over until the next meeting.

The regular order of business was then resumed.

Minutes.

The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

The following communications were received :

John N. Stearns and others }
 vs. }
 Commissioners of Department. }

From the Counsel to the Corporation, advising the Commissioners of this Department in the matter brought against them by John Noble Stearns and others, would receive his attention.

Ordered filed.

Counsel to Corporation—Contract, 159th street.

From the Counsel to the Corporation, giving his opinion as to the duty of this Department, in the matter of the assignment made by B. C. Murray to Denis McGrath, of his interest in a contract for regulating, etc., One Hundred and Fifty-ninth street, and advising that the contract "should be executed by Murray, and that any sureties whom the Comptroller approves as adequate and sufficient should be accepted as substitutes for those first offered."

On motion, the Secretary was directed to transmit the proposal of B. C. Murray to the Comptroller, with a copy of the Counsel to the Corporation's opinion in relation thereto.

Jeannette Park.

From the Clerk of the Board of Street Openings, submitting a map, showing a certain park known as Jeannette Park, as laid out and located by said Board on 26th June, 1884.

Ordered filed.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, the subject of the improvement of Jeannette Park was referred to the President to report upon.

Bryan, G. V.—Runaway horse.

From G. V. Bryan, calling attention to the commendable conduct of officer Dennis Crimmins, in stopping a runaway team of horses in Central Park on 24th June last, and—

From Captain Beaty in relation to the stopping of runaway horses in Central Park by the prompt action of officers Kassing and Howard.

Grimmins, Dennis,	} Honorable mention.
Kassing, Aug. H.,	
Howard, Hubert L.,	

On motion of Commissioner WALES, it was

Resolved, That the conduct of Parkkeepers Dennis Crimmins, August H. Kassing and Hubert L. Howard, in stopping runaway horses in Central Park, is worthy of the highest praise ; such prompt discharge of duty being not only indicative of good discipline, but personal interest in the service that the officers of the force have undertaken to perform, and the example of the officers here mentioned is commended to the force.

Brush Electric Light.

The Brush Electric Illuminating Company, in relation to their application made at the last meeting of the Board for permission to erect electric light poles.

On motion, said application was referred to the Counsel to the Corporation for his advice in the matter.

Yonkers Gas-Light Co.

From the President of the Yonkers Gas-Light Company, for permission to open streets in the Twenty-fourth Ward for the purpose of laying and repairing gas service-pipes.

On motion of Mr. CRIMMINS, it was

Resolved, That the Department of Public Works be requested to file in this Department a map showing their system of water-pipes in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, where laid and where proposed to be laid, with the depth and size of pipes ; also, that the several gas companies who furnish gas in said wards be requested to furnish similar information in relation to their pipes. Such information being necessary and important in the care and maintenance of the streets, roads and avenues in said wards.

Clark, F. M., Secretary Memorial Committee.

From Frank M. Clark, Secretary of the Memorial Committee of the G. A. R., transmitting a copy of a resolution, thanking the Commissioners of this Department for the use of the cottage in Union Square.

Ordered filed.

Topographical Engineer.

From the Topographical Engineer :

Astor, J. J.—Opening of Cromwell avenue.

1st. Reporting upon the petition of J. J. Astor, for opening Cromwell avenue, from Endrow Place to Sedgwick avenue, and Endrow Place, from Cromwell avenue to Jerome avenue, and recommending that the petition be returned to Mr. Astor with a request to amend the same by substituting One Hundred and Fiftieth street for Sedgwick avenue as the southern limit for opening Cromwell avenue, and to obtain additional signatures.

On motion, said petition was referred back to Mr. Astor, in accordance with the recommendation of the Topographical Engineer.

Washington avenue—Widening.

2d. Reporting relative to a petition from Fred. Folz and others, for opening Washington avenue, and another from Jas. L. Parshall and others, opposing such opening, and stating that as about eighty per cent. of the property-owners interested are unrepresented on either of the petitions, he would not recommend any immediate action in the matter.

Ordered filed.

Sewer—Southern Boulevard.

From the Acting Engineer of Construction.

1st. Submitting plans and specifications for constructing a sewer in the Southern Boulevard; from North Third to Lincoln avenue.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the plans and specifications for constructing a sewer in the Southern Boulevard, from North Third to Lincoln avenue, as this day submitted by the Acting Engineer of Construction, be approved and ordered printed, and when so printed and approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation, that the Secretary be directed to insert advertisements in the *City Record*, inviting proposals for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Sewer in 165th street.

2d. Submitting plans and specifications for constructing a sewer in One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, between the Boston Road and Trinity avenue.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the plans and specifications for a sewer in One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, between the Boston Road and Trinity avenue, as this day submitted by the Acting Engineer of Construction, be approved and ordered printed, and when so printed and approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation, that the Secretary be directed to insert advertisements in the *City Record*, inviting proposals for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Madison Avenue Bridge—Gas-holder.

3d. In relation to the necessity of providing gas-holders, etc., for lighting the lamps on the Madison Avenue Bridge.

Referred to the President to report.

Third Avenue Bridge—Engine.

From the Superintendent of Parks, in relation to the condition of the engine in use at the Third Avenue Bridge, and enclosing a copy of a report from the Master Machinist respecting the same.

Commissioner CRIMMINS presented a drawing of new 8" × 8" steam-engines for the Third Avenue Bridge and a proposal from the Delamater Iron Works for building the same for the sum of \$540, and moved that the same be accepted, and that the Treasurer be authorized to issue an order to the Delamater Iron Works for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards.

From the Superintendent of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards :

Works in Progress.

1st. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Temporary Suspensions.

2d. Reporting the temporary suspension of men and teams during stormy weather.

Approved.

Extra time—Sprinkling.

3d. Recommending that pay be allowed the following persons for extra time made by them on the work of sprinkling Jerome avenue :

Edward Carroll, double team, 16 hours.

John Carroll, double team, 16 hours.

Matt. Crotty, double team, 16 hours.
Daniel Dugan, double team, 16 hours.
John Schweiger, double team, 16 hours.
Albert Sintermann, double team, 16 hours.
George Healey, carpenter, 16 hours.
James Feeney, laborer, 12 hours.
Monitor detailed from Riverside Drive, 6 hours.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Bay-windows—Fifth avenue, 58th and 59th streets.

From Carl Pfeiffer, submitting plans showing the proposed bay-windows to be erected in accordance with the request of Phye & Campbell, at the last meeting of the Board.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the consent of this Department be and the same is hereby given to the erection of four bay-windows, by Phye & Campbell, on the plaza front of the new building now in course of erection on the west side of Fifth avenue, between Fifty-eighth and Fifty-ninth streets, also six bay-windows on said building fronting on Fifty-ninth street, the same not to project more than four feet beyond the house line.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

161st street—Grade of.

Commissioner Viele called up the profile showing the proposed change of the grade of One Hundred and Sixty-first street, submitted by the Topographical Engineer and laid

over at a meeting held December 5, 1883, and offered the following :

Resolved, That under and by virtue of the powers conferred on the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York, by chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, they do hereby establish the grades of One Hundred and Sixty-first street as shown by a red line on a map entitled, "Profile showing the proposed changes in the established grade of One Hundred and Sixty-first street, from Jerome avenue to Third avenue, dated New York, 20th February, 1883," and signed "E. B. Van Winkle, Topographical Engineer, D. P. P.," the same being such as the said Commissioners or a majority of them deem most conducive to the public good, and that the President be and he is hereby designated and directed to have prepared and to certify and file three similar profiles of the same, in pursuance of the provisions of the law above cited.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Audit.

Commissioner WALES, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, presented the following reports :

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

American Supply Co., files.....	Harlem R. Bdgs..	\$4 50
Arnold, David P., bread....	Zoological Dept...	245 70
Bremner & Fitzgerald, coal.....	Harlem R. Bdgs..	52 50
Barron, James S. & Co., coolers.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	45 00
Baldwin, Eli, map cases.....	Surveying, laying- out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps	35 00

Brandis, F. E., steel tape.....	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....		\$5 50
Beck, Louis D., gravel	Riverside Avenue.		816 75
Cappa, C. A., music	Music.....		915 00
Canda & Kane, Portland cement	Riverside Avenue.	\$32 40	
	Riverside Park...	35 10	
			<hr/> 67 50
Canda & Kane, brick	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$38 50	
	Zoological Dept..	5 25	
			<hr/> 43 75
Casey, Thos. H., Estimate No. 3.....	Sewer, Westches- ter Ave. and E. 150th St., bet. Brook & Court- land Aves., etc.		2,391 48
Central Gas-light Co., labor, etc.....	Sewer, 146th St., bet. 3d & Brook Aves., etc.....		23 00
Christensen, H. B., maps.....	Surveying, Laying- out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, etc.....		16 08
Connolly, Thomas, mould.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....		136 15
Doak, Geo. F., Estimate No. 2.....	Paving Courtland Ave., fr. N. 3d Ave. to 156th St.		6,955 20
Dean, W. E., Estimate No. 2.....	Sewer, Lincoln Ave., bet. Har- lem River and 134th St., and in Southern Boul., bet. Lincoln and Willis Aves., etc.		2,743 40
Early & Lane, brushes, etc.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$28 90	
	Zoological Dept...	3 60	
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Ferris, Edwin & Co., Salt	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$1 75	
	Zoological Dept...	2 00	
		<hr/>	\$3 75
The Hazard Powder Co., powder and fuse	Harlem R. Bdgs..		29 35
The Harlem Gas-light Co., gas	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		30 82
Hurst & Treanor, coping	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		13 70
Keuffel & Esser, maps	Surveying, Laying- out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, 1883.....		29 20
Manning, John W., mould	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		34 82
Marquand, H. G., Treas., expenses Mu- seum of Art	Maint. Museums..		1,624 84
McQuade, John, labor and materials...	Const. Bdgs. over Harlem River..		300 00
McKim, John & Son, mould	Manhatt'n Square, 1883		166 80
McKim, John & Son, mould	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		205 00
McAllister, F. E., sundries	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards		280 58
McAllister, F. E., mower parts, etc ...	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		70 08
McNab & Harlin Mfg. Co., sundries...	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		9 45
The Metropolitan Telephone and Tele- graph Co., rents, etc	Telephonic Service		177 08
The Metropolitan Gas-light Co., gas ...	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		79 70
Moffat, David & Co., leather	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		15 50
The New York Coal Tar Chemical Co., paving cement	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places		423 72

N. Y. Mutual Gas-light Co., gas	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		\$55 35
New, T., paving pitch	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places		55 00
O'Donnell & Treanor, coal	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		50 00
O'Brien, M., milk	Zoological Dept.		14 88
Otis & Gorsline, vitrified pipe	Riverside Avenue		16 80
Pierson & Co., Ulster iron	Harlem R. Bdgs.		24 81
Pridgeon's Hamilton Bakery, bread	Zoological Dept.		119 76
Pope & Klie, vegetables	Zoological Dept.		33 75
Rieger, Christian, office partition	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards		93 00
Robitzek, G. & Bro., coal	Harlem R. Bdgs.		10 50
Seaman, W. L., manilla rope	Mt. St. Vincent Refreshment House		10 22
Seymour, W. N. & Co., sundries	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards		16 00
Simonson, John, pipe, etc	Surveys, Maps and Plans		25 00
Scott, D., fish	Zoological Dept.		10 85
Uregand, Chas., stone boats	Riverside Park	\$10 00	
	Entrances Central Park, at 8th Ave., 77th and 81st Streets	10 00	
	Mt. St. Vincent Refreshment House	5 00	
	Drainage and Irrig- ation, Central Park	5 00	
		<hr/>	30 00
White, Chas. W., lumber	Harlem R. Bdgs.		50 40
White, Chas. W., lumber	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards		121 50
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RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.....	\$814 72
Zoological Department.....	435 79
Harlem River Bridges.....	172 06
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps ..	51 08
Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	30 50
Music.....	915 00
Riverside Avenue.....	865 95
Maintenance Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards....	511 08
Riverside Park.....	45 10
Walks, Central Park and City Parks and Places.....	478 72
Drainage and Irrigation, Central Park.....	5 00
Street Improvements.....	12,113 08
Entrances, Central Park, at Eighth Avenue, Seventy-seventh and Eighty-first Streets.....	10 00
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, etc.....	29 20
Telephonic Service.....	177 08
Maintenance Museums.....	1,624 84
Mount St. Vincent Refreshment House.....	15 22
Construction Bridges over Harlem River.....	300 00
Manhattan Square, Improvement of.....	166 80
	—————\$18,761 22

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of eighteen thousand seven hundred and sixty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.

(Signed)

S. H. WALES,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, July 2, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bill, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Murray, Thomas, relaying pavement.	Special Fund, Re-	
	paving	\$27 00
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Amounting to the sum of twenty-seven dollars.

(Signed)

S. H. WALES,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, July 2, 1884.

The above-mentioned bill having been read and passed on, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve it, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit it to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Crimmins, John D., personal expenses. Labor, Maint and Supplies.		\$150 00
Olliffe, Wm. M., personal expenses. Labor, Maint and Supplies.		150 00
Wales, Salem H., personal expenses. Labor, Maint. and Supplies.		125 00
Viele, Egbert L., personal expenses. Labor, Maint. and Supplies.		25 00
Bowker, John A., broken stone. Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.		900 00
Doherty, H. H., petty expenses. Labor, Maint. and Supplies.	\$92 25	
	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.	15 60
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		\$1,457 85

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.....	\$542 25	
Maintenance Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards....	915 60	
		\$1,457 85

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of fourteen hundred and fifty-seven dollars and eighty-five cents.

(Signed)

SALEM H. WALES,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, July 2, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Music on Sundays.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That until further notice, appropriate selections of music will be played on the mall in Central Park on Sunday afternoons instead of Saturdays.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

138th street—Grade of.

Wm. Gorman appeared before the Board and was heard in relation to the alteration of the grade of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street.

On motion, the matter was referred to the President to report.

Jones, C.—Webster avenue sewer.

From Charles Jones, in relation to the necessity of protecting railroad tracks over the work under his contract for constructing a sewer in Webster avenue.

Ordered filed.

Topographical Engineer—Progress of work.

From Frederick Grieffenberg, Assistant Engineer, reporting upon the progress of the topographical work of the Department.

Ordered filed.

Executive Session.

On motion, at 11.45 A. M. the Board went into Executive Session.

Building on Riverside avenue at 112th street.

From the Superintendent of Parks, reporting that he had examined the building at One Hundred and Twelfth street and Riverside Drive, and found the timbers, etc., to be in good condition, and stating that the material in said building could be used advantageously in the erection of sheds in the different yards of the Department.

On motion, the Secretary was directed to procure estimates for taking down said building and hauling the material to the store-yard in the Central Park.

Johnson, Foreman—Pay of.

From Foreman C. A. Johnson, asking to be allowed pay for extra time when his services are required in the evening.

Referred to the President.

Central Park Wall.

From the Architect, submitting drawings for a dwarf wall and iron railing proposed to be erected on the westerly foundation wall of Central Park, between Seventy-seventh and Eighty-first streets, with an estimate from Poulson & Eger for doing the work.

Referred to the President to report.

Guion, B. R.—Transfer of.

From the Acting Engineer of Construction, recommending that B. R. Guion, Assistant Engineer, now detailed to the Topographical force, be transferred to construction work, and placed in charge of the building of the Webster and Washington avenue sewers.

On motion of Commissioner OLLIFFE, B. R. Guion, Assistant Engineer, was so transferred.

Increase of force.

Work around Refreshment House.

From M. A. Kellogg, Acting Engineer of Construction, recommending an increase of the forces employed on the wall at the Seventy-seventh and Eighty-first street entrances to Central Park on Eighth avenue, and on the work of extending Riverside Drive, and also recommending that the Superintendent of Parks be instructed to furnish the gravel required for the approaches and walks around the new refreshment building in Central Park; that the surface of the walks near the same point be covered with tar pavement, and that a strip of the roadway of about twenty to thirty feet in front of the main entrance to the building and under the porch be covered with tar pavement.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following:

Resolved, That the employment of four stone masons for work on the wall at the entrances to Central Park at Eighth avenue and Seventy-seventh and Eighty-first street; also, the employment of two rockmen, two double teams and eight laborers for work on Riverside Park, be and the same is hereby authorized.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Superintendent of Parks to do work around Refreshment House.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the Acting Engineer of Construction be directed to withdraw his force now engaged on the work of improving the grounds around the new refreshment building and that the Superintendent of Parks be directed to proceed with the work of such improvement, in accordance with the suggestions as contained in the communication of the Acting Engineer of Construction.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Golden, Martin, Martinez, Crestobal—Appointed.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the following persons be and they are hereby appointed :

Martin Golden, laborer, on maintenance.

Crestobal Martinez, laborer, in Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Stone Masons—Pay of.

From the Superintendent of Parks reporting, upon a petition from the stone masons employed by the Department, asking for an increase of pay, and recommending that the pay of John Cahill and Michael Howard be increased.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the pay of John Cahill and Michael Howard, stone masons, be fixed at \$3.50 per day from this date.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Duffy, Terrence—Restoration.

From the Superintendent of Parks, recommending the restoration of Terrence Duffy, blacksmith.

Ordered filed.

Hodges, Foreman—Disability.

From the Superintendent of Parks, in relation to the inability of Thomas Hodges to longer perform the duties of foreman of the Second Division, Central Park, on account of disabilities contracted while working on the ice during the skating seasons, and stating the desire of Foreman Hodges to be given lighter employment, he having been in the employ of the Department for nearly twenty-six years.

Referred to Commissioner Crimmins to report.

Mantels for refreshment building.

From the Architect, submitting designs and estimates for mantels, etc., for the new refreshment building in Central Park, as follows :

1st. Design for a wooden mantel in the refreshment room, with an estimate, from Brown & Bliss, for furnishing the same, without top, for \$184.

2d. Designs for two hard wood mantels, one for the ladies' parlor and one for the Commissioners' room, with an estimate, from Brown & Bliss, for furnishing the same at \$100 each.

3d. Estimates for furnishing mantels and fire places for the café and hall, in accordance with approved designs.

	Design A. Café.	Design D. Hall.
Wm. H. Jackson & Co.	\$395 00	\$370 00
J. S. Conover & Co.	354 00	369 00

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the design for a wooden mantel in the refreshment room, with the proposal of Brown & Bliss to furnish the same without top for \$184, the designs for two hard wood mantels, one for the ladies' parlor and one for the Commissioners' room, with the proposal of Brown & Bliss for furnishing them at \$100 each, and the proposition of J. S. Conover & Co., for furnishing a mantel for the Café for \$354, as per design A, and a mantel for the Hall for \$369, as per design D, be and the same are hereby accepted, and that the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to issue orders for the same.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Wilson, Archibald, Schmidt, August, Reynolds, Francis, Kinsella, Arthur.	}	Restorations.
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Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That Archibald Wilson, August Schmidt, Francis Reynolds, and Arthur Kinsella, be and they are hereby restored to duty as laborers.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Cox, Daniel—To restore.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That Daniel Cox be and he is hereby restored to duty as Carpenter.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the negative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in opposition thereto, as follows :

Noes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Aye—Commissioner Olliffe—1.

McShane, James—Division gardener.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That James McShane be and he is hereby transferred from the rank and duty of gardener to the rank, duty and pay of division gardener.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Chalfin, Samuel F.—Appointed Topographical Engineer.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That Samuel F. Chalfin be and is hereby appointed Topographical Engineer of this Department, *vice* Edgar B. Van Winkle, at a salary of \$3,000 per annum.

Kellogg, M. A.—Engineer of Construction.

Resolved, That hereafter the title and official designation of M. A. Kellogg be that of Engineer of Construction and that his salary be fixed at \$4,000 per annum from this date.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Olliffe—3.

No—Commissioner Crimmins—1.

McLaughlin, John—Pay of.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the pay of John McLaughlin, messenger, be fixed at \$3 per day, from this date.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Cooper, E. H.—Rodman.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That E. H. Cooper be and he is hereby appointed for duty as Rodman *vice* Lincoln Frank, at \$2.50 per day, his appointment to commence after he has passed an examination by the Civil Service Commission.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Leslie, Jas. H.—Restoration.

Commissioner WALES, to whom was referred a communication from the Superintendent of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, reporting the suspension of James S. Leslie, Messenger, made a verbal report thereon and recommended that said Leslie be restored to duty, and that he be allowed pay for five days on which he worked by order of the Superintendent Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards after his suspension.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said recommendation, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Shelly, D. J.—Axeman.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That D. J. Shelly be and he is hereby appointed for duty as axeman at \$2 per day, his appointment to commence after he has passed an examination by the Civil Service Commission.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof. as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Counsel—Appointment of.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be respectfully notified that Jno. E. Parsons, Esq., Theron G. Strong, Esq., Henry R. Beekman, Esq., have been selected as counsel to represent the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks in the matter of John Noble Stearns and others *against* Salem H. Wales, et al., and request that he will recognize said counsel.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, at 1 P. M., the Executive Session arose and the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

MONDAY, JULY 14, 1884.

SPECIAL MEETING—11 A. M.

The Board met pursuant to the following :

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, }
36 UNION SQUARE, June 14, 1884. }

Mr. E. P. BARKER, *Secretary* :

SIR—You will please issue notices for a special meeting of the Board to be held at 11 o'clock, A. M., this day, for the consideration of an application to the Court for the appointment of commissioners to take lands for parks in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, etc., under chapter 522 of the Laws of 1884, and such other business as may be presented.

Yours, etc.,

EGBERT L. VIELE,
JOHN D. CRIMMINS,
W. M. OLLIFFE,
S. H. WALES,

Commissioners, D. P. P.

Present—Commissioner VIELE, President.

“ WALES,
“ CRIMMINS,
“ OLLIFFE.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the preceding meeting was dispensed with.

Parks—Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.

The President laid before the Board a certified copy of chapter 522 of the Laws of 1884, being “An act laying out public places, parks and parkways in the Twenty-third and

Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York, and in the adjacent district in Westchester County, and authorizing the taking of the lands for the same " and offered the following :

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be and he is hereby requested to initiate and to carry to conclusion the proceedings necessary and proper to acquire title pursuant to chapter 522, of the Laws of this State for the year 1884, of certain lands and premises in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York, and the County of Westchester, laid out and devoted by said chapter to and for the purposes of Public Parks.

The said lands and premises are described as follows :

All that piece or parcel of land situate or lying or being in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the city of New York, to wit :

First—Beginning at the intersection of the easterly line of Broadway with the northerly line of the city of New York, running thence easterly along the northerly line or boundary of the city of New York to the intersection of said line with the westerly line of Mount Vernon avenue ; thence southerly along the westerly line of Mount Vernon avenue to the junction of said westerly line of Mount Vernon avenue with the northerly line of Grand (or Willard) avenue ; thence westerly along said northerly line of Grand (or Willard) avenue, crossing Jerome avenue, to the westerly line of Jerome avenue ; thence along said westerly line of Jerome avenue, in a southeasterly and southerly direction to its junction with the northerly line of Gunhill road ; from thence westerly along the northerly line of Gunhill road, following its windings, and extending on said line to a point two hundred and seventy-five feet easterly and at right angles from the easterly boundary of the Croton aqueduct right of way ; from thence crossing the Gunhill road at right angles for the full width of said Gunhill road ; from thence in a straight line southerly of west to a point on the easterly side of Broadway aforesaid ten feet southerly of the bridge over Tibbett's brook on said Broadway ; from thence

along the easterly line of Broadway in a northerly direction, following its windings, to the place of beginning; to be known and designated as "Van Courtland Park;" and also,

Second—All the land and contents within the following boundary, partly within the Twenty-fourth Ward of the city of New York and partly in Westchester county, viz.: Beginning at a point in the Twenty-fourth Ward, formed by the junction of the north line of Samuel street and the west bank of the Bronx river; from thence westerly along the northerly line of Samuel street to the easterly line of Bronx street; from thence northerly along said easterly line of Bronx street to the northerly line of Ann street; from thence westerly along the northerly line of Ann street to the easterly line of Boston road; from thence northerly along said easterly line of Boston road to a point in line with the northerly line of Kingsbridge road; from thence westerly along the northerly line of Kingsbridge road; from thence westerly along the northerly line of Kingsbridge road to the easterly line of the Southern boulevard; from thence northerly along and following the easterly line of the Southern boulevard to the northerly line of St. John's College property; from thence crossing the Southern boulevard and following the northerly boundary of the St. John's College property northwesterly to the easterly line of the right of way of the New York and Harlem Railroad Company; from thence along said easterly line of said right of way and following its course northeasterly to a point about three hundred feet northeasterly of the northerly line of Water street to a point formed by the junction of the prolongation westward of the northerly line of Morris street, as laid down on a partition map and survey made by Egbert L. Viele, C. E., under an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the twenty-third day of August, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine; from thence along said prolongation of the northerly line of Morris street, crossing the Bronx river and along said northerly line of Morris street to a point about twenty feet easterly of the eastern line of Duncomb avenue, as shown on the map aforesaid; from thence in a straight line southerly and nearly

parallel to and east of Monroe avenue, as shown on said map, to the northwesterly corner of land formerly belonging to John Hitchcock, as shown on said map; from thence in a straight line southerly to the southeasterly corner of Lorillard estate, as shown on the map aforesaid; thence westerly along the southerly boundary of the Lorillard estate, as shown on said map, to the land belonging to the Bronx Bleaching Company; thence southwesterly, southerly and westerly along the easterly and southerly boundary of the Bronx Bleaching Company to a point two hundred feet easterly of the Bronx river; from thence southerly and parallel with the general line of the Bronx river between the points named, crossing the Boston road to its southerly line; thence easterly along said southerly line of Boston road about five hundred and twenty feet; from thence southerly and parallel with the general courses of the Bronx river and conforming thereto, and about seven hundred feet easterly of the general line thereof to a point formed by such line and a prolongation of the southerly line of the Kingsbridge road, as now existing in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the city of New York, between the Southern boulevard and Bronx street, eastwardly across the Bronx river to the said line, as drawn parallel to the general course of the Bronx river as aforesaid; from thence in a straight line crossing the Bronx river to the place of beginning, to be known and designated as the "Bronx Park"; and also,

Third—All those pieces or parcels of land situate and lying in Westchester county contained within the following boundary, viz.: Beginning on Long Island Sound, at a point where a line drawn from the termination of the northern boundary of the city of New York touches the Bronx river to the furthestmost northern point of the "Pass Rocks" (a ledge of rocks north of Hunter's island) would touch the shore line and waters of Long Island Sound; from thence westwardly along said line between the northern boundary of New York city and Long Island Sound to a point about one thousand feet easterly from the easterly side of the

old Boston post-road, measuring from the junction of said road with the extended boundary line aforesaid; from thence southerly to the nearest point on the northerly shore of Hutchinson's river; from thence southerly and easterly along the northerly shore of Hutchinson's river to a point formed by the junction of a line drawn or projected due northwest from the most westerly point of Goose Island, in said Hutchinson's river, or East Chester bay, touching the northerly shore line of said Hutchinson's river; from this point of junction southerly in a straight line to a point formed by the westerly line of the New York and New Haven Branch Railroad Company's right of way with the southerly shore line of East Chester Bay, or Hutchinson's river; from thence in a straight line to the northwesterly corner of the property belonging to and known as the residence of John Hunter, Esq.; from thence along said property lines of John Hunter southerly, following said property lines to the eastern line of the Eastern boulevard; from thence along said eastern line of the Eastern boulevard to the southwesterly corner of lands belonging to J. Furman, Esq.; from thence easterly along the boundary line between the property of said J. Furman and the lands of Lorillard Spencer and J. M. Waterbury, to the shore and water line of Long Island Sound; from thence following northwardly the coast line along the shores and waters of Long Island Sound, East Chester and Pelham bays, around and including Pelham Bridge Island and Pelham Neck to the southerly line of the causeway leading to Hunter's Island; thence along said southerly line of the causeway to Hunter's island; thence southerly, eastwardly, northerly and westwardly and southerly along the shores and waters of the coast line of said Hunter's island and the small island known as the "Twin," following said coast line entirely around said Hunter's and Twin island to the northerly line of the causeway or bridge leading to the mainland from Hunter's island; from thence along said northerly line of causeway to the shore and water-line of the mainland; from thence along said mainland shore and

water-line northwardly to the place of beginning; together with all small islands, rocks, etc., situate and lying within a line drawn between the extreme southerly bound herein described and the farthest southeasterly projection of Pelham Neck, and also between the most easterly point on Pelham Neck, and the outermore southern and eastern point on the said Hunter's and Twin islands, and also including the rocks on the east and north of Hunter's island known as "Pass Rocks," to be known and designated as the "Pelham Bay Park"; are all hereby declared to be, respectively, public places and public parks for public use and public purposes; and,

Fourth—All that piece or parcel of land situate or lying and being in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the city of New York, between two parallel lines, six hundred feet distant from each other, connecting Bronx Park with Van Courtland Park, and located on both sides of and including Middlebrook parkway, Brook street and a small brook or tributary running through said Middlebrook parkway and Brook street, as shown by the map of the new system of streets as laid out by the Commissioners of Public Parks; to be known as the "Mosholu Parkway"; and also,

Fifth—All those pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the county of Westchester: Beginning at the junction of Fordham and Pelham boulevard with Pelham Bay Park, as heretofore described, and on the southerly side line of said Fordham and Pelham boulevard, a continuous strip of land is taken three hundred feet wide, bounded by said southerly line of Fordham and Pelham boulevard, and a line parallel to said southerly line of boulevard and three hundred feet distant southerly from said line to the crossing of said boulevard by the Kingsbridge road, from thence a strip bounded by parallel lines four hundred feet apart extends along said Fordham and Pelham boulevard in such manner as to allow said boulevard to cross diagonally said strip of land from end to end, viz.: from the eastern line of Kingsbridge road to the westerly line of the Boston post-

road ; from thence a strip of three hundred feet wide is taken on the northerly side of the northerly line of said boulevard and touching it and bounded by a line parallel to and three hundred feet distant northerly from the north line of said boulevard and extending for the full width to a complete junction with the "Bronx Park" herein described ; to be known and designated as the "Bronx and Pelham Parkway" ; are all hereby declared to be public places and public parkways, respectively, for public use and public purposes ; and, also,

Sixth—All those pieces or parcels of land lying and being in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York : Beginning at the junction of the northerly boundary line of the Twenty-third Ward and the easterly line of Fulton avenue, as shown on the map of the new system of streets as laid out by the Commissioners of Public Parks ; thence eastwardly along said northern boundary of the Twenty-third Ward, crossing Franklin avenue (Broadway) and continuing on said boundary line to a point three hundred and twenty feet westerly from the westerly line of the Boston post-road ; thence along a line parallel to and westwardly of the said westerly line of Boston post-road, and distant therefrom three hundred and twenty feet to the junction of the Boston post-road with the Southern boulevard ; thence on a line three hundred and twenty feet westerly and parallel to the westerly line of the Southern boulevard to a point three hundred feet southerly from the southerly line of Fairmount avenue, as shown on said city map ; thence westerly three hundred feet distant from and parallel to the southerly line of Fairmount avenue, crossing Franklin avenue (Broadway) to a prolongation southerly of the westerly line of Broad street, as shown on said map ; thence northerly along said prolongation of the westerly line of Broad street, and northerly along said westerly line of Broad street to its junction with the southerly line of Tremont avenue ; thence westerly along the southerly line of Tremont avenue to the junction of said line with the easterly line of Fordham avenue ; thence southerly along said easterly line of

Fordham avenue to the northerly line of One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street (Fitch street); thence easterly two hundred and eighty feet along said northerly line of Fitch street; thence in a straight line southerly to the point or place of beginning; to be known and designated as "Crotona Park"; and also,

Seventh—All that certain tract of land situate, lying and being in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the city of New York: Beginning at a point formed by the junction of the prolongation westwardly of the southerly line of Jane street (old name) with the easterly line of Fleetwood avenue; thence easterly along said prolongation and along the southerly line of Jane street, and continuing easterly said straight line to its junction with the westerly line of Elliott street (Grant place); thence along the western line of Elliott street, southerly to the easterly line of Fleetwood avenue; thence along the line of Fleetwood avenue to the place of beginning; to be known and designated as "Claremont Park"; and also,

Eighth—All those certain tracts of land situate and lying in the Twenty-third Ward of the city of New York: Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the southerly line of St. Mary's street and the easterly line of St. Ann's avenue; thence northerly along the easterly line of St. Ann's avenue to the southerly line of One Hundred and Forty-ninth street; thence along the southerly line of One Hundred and Forty-ninth street easterly to the westerly right of way line of the Port Morris Branch Railroad Company's property; thence southeasterly along said westerly line of railroad company's right of way to the easterly line of a street forming a southerly extension of Robbins avenue as shown on a map of the new system of streets as laid out by the Commissioners of Public Parks; thence along the easterly line of such street, extending southerly from Robbins avenue about one hundred and fifty feet; thence westerly in a straight line to a point in the southerly line of St. Mary's street, distant about thirty feet northerly and at right angles to the northerly line of One Hundred and

Forty-third street; from thence along the southerly line of St. Mary's street westerly to the point or place of beginning, to be known and designated as "St. Mary's Park"; are all hereby declared to be, respectively, public places and public parks, for public use and public purposes; also,

Ninth—All those pieces or parcels of land contained in a strip one hundred feet wide: Beginning at the junction of the Southern boulevard with the said Bronx Park at Kingsbridge road; crossing thence southerly along the easterly line of the Southern Boulevard and parallel with and touching the same, a strip of land one hundred feet wide, as an addition to the width of said boulevard; said strip of land to continue southerly, and of its full width of one hundred feet, to a point one hundred feet south of the southerly line of Fairmount avenue; from thence westerly, widening Fairmount avenue on its southerly side, by a strip one hundred feet in width, to a point one hundred feet westerly of the northeasterly corner of said Crotona Park, and at right angles northerly from said northeast corner of the park aforesaid; from thence in a straight line parallel with said right angle line two hundred feet in width, touching said Crotona Park and the street running easterly of the aforesaid park, to be known and designated as the "Crotona Parkway," are hereby declared to be a public place and public parkway for public use and public purposes, and that the Commissioners of the Department are authorized to sign a petition to the court for that purpose.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

The following communications were received:

Dick, J. C.—Ticket office.

From J. Clarence Dick, desiring permission to erect a portable composite iron ticket office at the Terrace.

Denied.

Coenties Slip Park.

From Arthur Berry, Secretary Board of Street Openings, relative to laying out Park at Coenties Slip.

Ordered filed.

Board of Aldermen.

From the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen, transmitting resolutions of the Board of Aldermen :

170th street—Regulating, etc.

1st. Regulating and grading East One Hundred and Seventieth street, from North Third avenue to Railroad avenue.

154th street—Regulating.

2d. Regulating and grading One Hundred and Fifty-fourth street, from Courtland to Morris avenue.

Referred to the Engineer of Construction.

Pavements in parks.

3d. Authorizing the laying of new and repairing of old walks in and around Central and City Parks.

Ordered filed.

Brennan, Wm.—Bill of.

Commissioner WALES laid before the Board the bill of William Brennan, amounting to \$114.87, for work done in repairing police station at One Hundred and Fourth street and Eighth avenue in 1883, as returned from the Finance Department, and offered the following :

Resolved, That the bill of William Brennan, amounting to \$114.87, for work done in repairing the police station at One Hundred and Fourth street and Eighth avenue on the Central Park, be and the same is hereby approved and ordered transmitted to the Finance Department for payment out of the account Labor, Maintenance and Supplies, 1883.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the following-named laborers be transferred : Daniel Callaghan from Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards to Riverside Park, and John Mulvehill from Riverside Park to Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Claremont—Bernard, P. A.

From P. A. Bernard, desiring to lease the building at Claremont on Riverside Park.

Laid over.

Building on Riverside Drive—To be torn down.

The Secretary, to whom was referred at the last meeting of the Board the matter of procuring estimates for the removal and storing of the old building at One Hundred and Twelfth street and Riverside Drive reported that he had applied to several parties in that line of business, none of whom would furnish such an estimate, although they were willing to purchase and remove the building.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the Superintendent of Parks be directed to proceed with the taking down and removal to the store yards on the Central Park, the material in the old building now standing on the Riverside Drive at One Hundred and Twelfth street.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

five, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Booth on Approaches Third Avenue Bridge.

Commissioner OLLIFFE, to whom was referred the matter of the stand on the northerly approach of the Third Avenue Bridge, reported that he had examined into the matter and found that the same was there under permission of and by resolution of the Board of Aldermen.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the Captain of Police and the Superintendent of Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth wards be directed to notify all the parties occupying booths and stands on the approaches of the Third Avenue Bridge to remove therefrom forthwith.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Adjournment.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS :

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it do adjourn to meet on Friday next, the 18th instant, at 10 o'clock A. M.

On motion, at 11.40 o'clock A. M., adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16, 1884.

REGULAR MEETING—10 A. M.

In consequence of the adjournment until 18th instant, no meeting was held.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

FRIDAY, JULY 18, 1884.

ADJOURNED MEETING—10 A. M.

Present—Commissioner VIELE, President.

“ CRIMMINS.

“ OLLIFFE.

Proposals.

At the hour of ten o'clock Mr. Marsh, the representative of the Comptroller of the City, being present, and the meeting open to the public, the President, in the presence of the representative of the Comptroller, and of such of the persons making proposals as were present, opened the estimate-box and publicly opened and read the estimates or proposals which had been received in pursuance of advertisements duly published in the *City Record* for the following works, namely :

No. 1. For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter-stones, and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide in East One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street, from the easterly curb-line of North Third avenue to the westerly curb-line of Willis avenue.

No. 2. For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter-stones, and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide, in One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street, from the westerly curb-line of North Third avenue to the easterly curb-line of Railroad avenue, East.

No. 3. For constructing a sewer and appurtenances in One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street, from the summit between Willis and Alexander avenues to Brook avenue.

No. 4. For constructing a sewer and appurtenances in Walton avenue, from One Hundred and Fiftieth street to a point five hundred feet northerly therefrom.

No. 5. For furnishing and delivering, where required, broken trap-rock stone and trap-rock screenings, along certain roads, avenues and streets in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards in the City of New York.

No. 6. For regulating, grading, and setting curb-stones on Transverse road No. 2, crossing the Central Park, from the west curb-line of the Fifth avenue entrance, at Seventy-ninth street, to the east curb-line of Eighth avenue at Eighty-first street.

Table of Bids for Regulating, Grading, Setting Curb and Gutter Stones, Flagging the Sidewalks four feet wide, in East One Hundred and Thirty-ninth Street, from the Easterly Curb-line of North Third Avenue to the Westerly Curb-line of Willis Avenue.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2		3		4		5		6	
			D. W. MORAN.		B. C. MURRAY.		HALL & MORRISON.		THOMAS MURRAY.		GEO. F. DOAK.		JAS. SLATTERY.	
			Price.	Amount	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Filling.....	1,300 cub. yds.	\$0 45	\$585 00	\$0 35	\$455 00	\$0 42	\$546 00	\$0 40	\$520 00	\$0 57	\$741 00	\$0 55	\$715 00
2	New curb-stone furnished and set.....	860 lin. feet.	53	455 80	65	559 00	55	473 00	58	498 80	57	490 20	53	455 80
3	Old curb-stone reset.....	1,050 "	09	94 50	08	84 00	07	73 50	12	126 00	03	31 50	08	84 00
4	New gutter-stone furnished and laid.....	650 "	17	110 50	23	149 50	23	149 50	20	130 00	22	143 00	22	143 00
5	Old gutter-stone relaid.....	1,360 "	02	27 20	02	27 20	01	13 60	02	27 20	02	27 20	02	27 20
6	New flagging furnished and laid.....	3,400 sq. feet.	22	748 00	25	850 00	25	850 00	24½	833 00	24	816 00	23	782 00
7	Old flagging relaid.....	4,640 "	02	92 80	02	92 80	00½	23 20	03	139 20	02	92 80	02	92 80
8	Time for completion, at } \$3.00 per day.....	.....	Days. 30	90 00	Days. 32	96 00	Days. 30	90 00	Days. 25	75 00	Days. 24	72 00	Days. 60	180 00
	Totals.....	.....	....	\$2,303 80	....	\$2,313 50	....	\$2,218 80	....	\$2,349 20	....	\$2,413 70	....	\$2,479 80

Table of Bids for Regulating, Grading, Setting Curb and Gutter Stones, and Flagging the Sidewalks four feet wide, in One Hundred and Fifty-sixth Street, from the Westerly Curb-line of North Third Avenue to the Easterly Curb-line of Railroad Avenue, East.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2		3		4	
			JAS. SLATTERY.		BERNARD MAHON.		D. W. MORAN.		B. C. MURRAY.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Earth excavation	8,500 cub. yds.	\$0 50	\$4,250 00	\$0 01	\$85 00	\$0 40	\$3,400 00	\$0 45	\$3,825 00
2	Rock excavation.....	5,100 "	1 90	9,690 00	1 40	7,140 00	95	4,845 00	60	3,060 00
3	Filling.	5,000 "	25	1,250 00	50	2,500 00	05	250 00	20	1,000 00
4	New curb-stone furnished and set.	3,900 lin. feet.	55	2,145 00	60	2,340 00	56	2,184 00	60	2,340 00
5	Old curb-stone reset.....	75 "	10	7 50	05	3 75	10	7 50	05	3 75
6	New gutter-stone furnished and laid.....	3,900 "	22	858 00	19	741 00	18	702 00	22	858 00
7	Old gutter-stone relaid	75 "	02	1 50	01	110 75	02	1 50	03	2 25
8	New flagging furnished and laid.....	15,200 sq. feet.	24	3,648 00	24	3,648 00	22	3,344 00	24	3,648 00
9	Old flagging relaid.....	270 "	02½	6 75	03	8 10	02	5 40	03	8 10
10	Dry rubble masonry, other than retaining wall	15 cub. yds.	2 50	37 50	2 00	30 00	1 50	22 50	2 00	30 00
11	Vitrified stoneware, either in pipes or other forms, in place	2,500 pounds.	03½	87 50	03	75 00	½	12 50	02	50 00
12	Time for completion, at \$3 per day .....	.....	Days. 90	270 00	Days. 150	450 00	Days. 75	225 00	Days. 150	450 00
	Totals .....	.....	....	\$22,251 75	....	\$17,021 60	....	\$14,999 40	....	\$15,275 10

Table of Bids for Regulating, Grading, Setting Curb and Gutter Stones, and Flagging the Sidewalks four feet wide, in One Hundred and Fifty-sixth Street, from the Westerly Curb-line of North Third Avenue to the Easterly Curb-line of Railroad Avenue, East.

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Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	5		6		7	
			ALLEN, O'GRADY & O'MALEY.		D. McGRATH.		HALL & MORRISON.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Earth excavation	8,500 cub. yds.	\$0 35	\$2,975 00	\$0 25	\$2,125 00	\$0 38	\$3,230 00
2	Rock excavation	5,100 "	1 37	6,987 00	90	4,590 00	1 50	7,650 00
3	Filling	5,000 "	05	250 00	10	500 00	20	1,000 00
4	New curb-stone furnished and set.....	3,900 lin. feet.	59	2,301 00	61	2,379 00	57	2,223 00
5	Old curb-stone reset.....	75 "	05	3 75	02	1 50	07	5 25
6	New gutter-stone furnished and laid.....	3,900 "	20	780 00	18	702 00	25	975 00
7	Old gutter-stone relaid.....	75 "	02	1 50	01½	1 12½	05	3 75
8	New flagging furnished and laid.....	15,300 sq. feet.	23	3,496 00	25	3,800 00	26	3,952 00
9	Old flagging relaid.....	270 "	02	5 40	01½	4 05	02	5 40
10	Dry rubble masonry, other than retaining wall	15 cub. yds.	5 00	75 00	50	7 50	2 50	37 50
11	Vitrified stoneware, either in pipes or other forms, in place	2,500 pounds.	02	50 00	02	50 00	02	50 00
12	Time for completion, at \$3 per day .....	.....	Days. 150	450 00	Days. 150	450 00	Days. 300	900 00
	Totals .....	.....	.....	\$17,374 65	.....	\$14,610 17½	.....	\$20,031 90

Table of Bids for Constructing a Sewer and Appurtenances in One Hundred and Thirty-ninth Street, from the summit between Willis and Alexander Avenues to Brook Avenue.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2	
			ALLEN, O'GRADY AND O'MALEY.		B. C. MURRAY.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	12-inch pipe sewer, including concrete cradle and exclusive of spurs for house-connections.....	1,440 linear feet.	\$2 20	\$3,168 00	\$2 20	\$3,168 00
2	Spurs for house-connections.....	185 "	1 00	185 00	50	92 50
3	Manholes complete.....	14 "	50 00	700 00	50 00	700 00
4	Receiving-basins complete.....	2 "	130 00	260 00	140 00	280 00
5	Rock excavated and removed.....	950 cubic yds.	3 60	3,420 00	3 00	2,850 00
6	Lumber furnished and laid, per M. feet.....	1,000 feet, B. M.	25 00	25 00	20 00	20 00
7	Concrete in place, exclusive of cradle for pipe sewer.....	12 cubic yds.	7 00	84 00	2 90	34 80
8	Time for completion, at \$4 per day.....	.....	Days. 75	300 00	Days. 60	240 00
	Totals.....	.....	.....	\$8,142 00	.....	\$7,385 30

Table of Bids for Constructing a Sewer and Appurtenances in Walton Avenue, from One Hundred and Fiftieth Street to a point 500 feet Northerly therefrom.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2	
			B. C. MURRAY.		THOMAS MURRAY.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	12-inch pipe sewer, including the concrete cradle and exclusive of spurs for house-connections.....	498 linear feet.	\$3 00	\$1,479 00	\$2 85	\$1,405 05
2	Spurs for house-connections.....	73 "	50	36 50	85	62 05
3	Manholes complete.....	5 "	50 00	250 00	55 00	275 00
4	Rock excavated and removed.....	130 cubic yds.	4 00	520 00	4 00	520 00
5	Lumber furnished and laid, per M. feet.....	1,000 feet, B. M.	21 00	21 00	20 00	20 00
6	Time for completion, at \$4 per day.....	.....	Days. 45	180 00	Days. 35	140 00
	Totals.....	.....	...	\$2,486 50	...	\$2,422 10

Table of Bids for Furnishing and Delivering, where Required, Broken Trap-rock Stone and Trap-rock Screenings along certain Roads, Avenues and Streets in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards in the City of New York.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2		3	
			JOHN A. BOUKER.		WM. J. REILLY.		JOHN S. HOWELL.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	2½-inch broken trap-rock stone.....	4,600 cubic yds.	\$2 75	\$12,650 00	\$3 33	\$15,318 00	\$2 89½	\$13,317 00
2	1½-inch broken trap-rock stone.....	850 "	2 75	2,337 50	3 33	2,830 50	2 89½	2,460 75
3	Trap-rock screenings.....	2,725 "	2 75	7,493 75	3 03	8,256 75	2 62	7,139 50
	Totals.....	.....	....	\$22,481 25	....	\$26,405 25	....	\$22,917 25

Table of Bids for Regulating, Grading and Setting Curb-Stones on Transverse Road No. 2, crossing the Central Park, from the West Curb-line of the Fifth Avenue Entrance at Seventy-ninth Street to the East Curb-line of Eighth Avenue at Eighty-first Street.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2		3		4	
			DENNIS W. MORAN.		B. C. MURRAY.		GEO. F. DOAK.		JAMES SLATTERY.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Earth excavation	225 cubic yds.	\$0 35	\$78 75	\$1 00	\$225 00	\$0 60	\$135 00	\$0 70	\$157 50
2	Rock excavation.....	300 "	2 25	675 00	3 50	1,050 00	3 00	900 00	3 00	900 00
3	New curb-stone furnished and set.....	6,050 linear feet.	56	3,888 00	79	4,779 50	57	3,448 50	60	3,690 00
4	Old curb-stone reset.....	140 "	10	14 00	15	21 00	01	1 40	10	14 00
	Totals.....	.....	....	\$4,155 75	...	\$6,075 50	....	\$4,484 90	...	\$4,701 50

On motion, the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

The following communications were received :

Highbridge Park—Brief, John Karl.

A copy of a memorandum and brief prepared by Fordham Morris, of counsel for John Karl, in the matter of his protest against the laying out of a park at High Bridge, was received and ordered filed.

From the Architect, submitting plans, elevations and specifications for a carriage shed to be built in connection with the new refreshment building in Central Park, with an estimate of its cost ; also specifications and form of contract for the ladies' cottage to be erected near the Conservatory lake in Central Park.

On motion of Commissioner OLLIFFE, said plans were approved.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the specifications and forms of contracts for the ladies' cottage to be erected near the Conservatory lake, and for the erection of sheds at the refreshment building, in Central Park, this day submitted by the Architect, be approved and ordered printed, and when so printed and approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation, that the Secretary be directed to insert advertisements in the *City Record* for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Topographical Engineer—Bungay street.

From the Topographical Engineer, submitting a plan and profiles showing Bungay street, from East One Hundred and

Forty-ninth street to Long Island Sound, and East One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, from the Southern Boulevard to Whitlock avenue.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That under and by virtue of the powers conferred on the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York, by chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, they do hereby lay out, establish and classify certain streets of the width, extent, direction, grade and class, shown on a map or plan entitled, "Plan and profiles showing Bungay street, from East One Hundred and Forty-ninth street to the Long Island Sound, and East One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, from Southern Boulevard to Whitlock avenue, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York," dated New York, July 14, 1884, and signed S. F. Chalfin, Topographical Engineer, Department of Public Parks, the same being such as the said Commissioners, or a majority of them, deem most conclusive to the public good, and that the President be hereby designated and directed to certify and file the said plan and profiles, and the similar copies of the same, in accordance with the provisions of the law above cited.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Engineer of Construction—143d street paving.

From the Engineer of Construction :

1st. Submitting plans and specifications for paving One Hundred and Forty-third street, from Alexander avenue to Brook avenue ; regulating, etc., Westchester avenue, from North Third avenue to Prospect avenue ; and for regulating, etc., One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, between North Third and Morris avenues.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the plans and specifications for paving One Hundred and Forty-third street, from Alexander avenue to

Brook avenue; for regulating, grading, etc., Westchester avenue, from North Third avenue to Prospect avenue, and for regulating, grading, etc., One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, between North Third and Morris avenues, as this day submitted by the Engineer of Construction, be approved and ordered printed, and when so printed and approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation, that the Secretary be directed to insert advertisements in the *City Record* inviting proposals for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street—Improvement of.

2d. Stating that in the ordinance and contract for the improvement of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street no provision was made for resetting the curb, gutter and flagging between the west curb-line of Rider avenue and the canal, and recommending that a Treasurer's order be given the contractor for regulating, grading, etc., One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, to relay said curb, gutter and flagging, and to furnish and lay such new curb, gutter and flagging as may be required, at the prices named in his contract for doing similar work, the expense to be charged to "Maintenance Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards."

Commissioner VIELE moved that the Treasurer be authorized to issue an order for doing the work recommended by the Engineer of Construction.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Receiving-Basin—Brook avenue and 138th street.

3d. Recommending that an order be issued for rebuilding the receiving-basin and culverts at the intersection of Brook avenue and One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, according to the lines of the present improvement of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the Treasurer be authorized to procure estimates for rebuilding the receiving-basin and culvert at Brook avenue and One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, and issue an order to the lowest bidder for doing the work, the expense to be charged to "Repairs to Sewers in Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Superintendent Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards—Works in progress.

From the Superintendent of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Astor, J. J., and others—Opening Cromwell avenue.

From J. J. Astor, Wm. Astor, and Henry Lewis Morris, petitioning for opening of Cromwell avenue, from One Hundred and Fiftieth street to Endrow place; Endrow place, from Cromwell avenue to Jerome avenue, and One Hundred and Fiftieth street, from the Harlem river to River avenue.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer to report.

Audit.

Commissioner CRIMMINS, from the Auditing Committee, presented the following reports :

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Ammann, C., trees.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	\$400 00
Barron, James S. & Co., oak pails.....	Riverside Park ...	4 50
Brady, James, labor, etc	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	832 00
Benoit, A. V., drawing paper, etc.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	\$65 68
	Riverside Park...	10 76
	Morningside Park.	4 28
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		80 72
Beck, Louis D., gravel	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	803 25
Beck, Louis D., gravel	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	834 75
Cappa, C. A., music	Music.....	1,150 00
Crombie, Thos. J., yellow pine.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	80 00
Christensen, H. B., maps.....	Surveying, Laying- out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, etc.....	3 00
Dahlman, I. H., horses.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	900 00
Devlin & Co., pants, cloth, etc.....	Police	377 48
Devlin & Co., pants.....	Police	772 32
Doehler & Embach, shades.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	4 00
Hall, William & Sons, sash	Riverside Park...	24 00
Henderson, Peter & Co., syringe.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	7 75
Hotaling, D., cap stone.....	Riverside Park...	8 50
Jackman, P. C., mould.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	172 90
Lovell, F. H. & Co., lamp wick.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	1 30
McQuade, John, Estimate No. 24.....	Const. Bdgs. over Harlem River..	5,164 91

McManus, John, mould.	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$192 85
McAllister, F. E., spades, etc.	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	162 73
McNally, Robert, poles.	Surveys, Maps and Plans	10 00
McKesson & Robbins, sundries.	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	8 48
Mitchell, A. H. & Bro., straw, etc.	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.	32 85
Mitchell, A. H. & Bro., oats, corn, etc.	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	488 98
Mitchell, A. H. & Bro., corn, etc.	Zoological Dept. .	28 93
Morgan, J. P., Treas., expenses Mu- seum Natural History.	Maint. Museums. .	1,571 45
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, pipe, etc.	Mt. St. Vincent Refreshment House	6 78
Murray, P., blacksmithing.	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	34 70
Newell, D. C. & Sons, shavings	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$5 00
	Zoological Dept. .	6 00
		11 00
The N. Y. Mutual Gas-light Co., rent. .	Rents, D. P. P. . .	625 00
Pritchard & Son, sods.	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	200 00
Pioneer Iron Works, repairs	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places	13 00
Pierson & Co., iron and steel.	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	32 87
Raynolds, C. T. & Co., gold leaf.	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	8 50
Robitzek, G. & Bro., coal.	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks.	63 75
Steers Bros., spruce.	Harlem R. Bdgs. .	58 00
Steers Bros., pine and spruce.	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	375 17
Seymour, W. N. & Co., screws, etc. . .	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	11 56

Seymour, W. N. & Co., screws, etc.	Zoological Dept.	\$20 38
Seymour, W. N. & Co., hatchets, etc.	Surveying, laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps	9 28
Schoonmaker, S. A. & Co., paints.	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$2 50
	Maint. Museums.	2 00
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		4 50
Tatham & Bros., lead pipe.	Mt. St. Vincent Refreshment House	19 32
W. Westerfield & Son, water crooks	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	80 40
White, Chas. W., lumber.	Riverside Park	22 52
Moran, Dennis W., Estimate No. 2.	Regulating, etc., 138th St., from St. Ann's to College Ave.	3,130 33
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		\$18,844 71

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.	\$5,190 27
Zoological Department.	55 31
Maintenance Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards	547 95
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps	12 28
Riverside Park	70 28
Surveys, Maps and Plans.	10 00
Mount St. Vincent Refreshment House.	26 10
Morningside Park.	4 28
Walks, Central Park and City Parks and Places	76 75
Music	1,150 00
Police	1,149 80
Harlem River Bridges.	58 00
Maintenance Museums.	1,573 45
Construction Bridges over Harlem River.	5,164 91
Street Improvements.	3,130 33
Rents.	625 00
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	\$18,844 71

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of eighteen thousand eight hundred and forty-four dollars and seventy-one cents.

(Signed)

S. H. WALES,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, July 16, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Beck, Louis D., gravel	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places.....	\$848 25
Bayne's 69th Regiment Band, music...	Music	1,120 00
Cappa, C. A., music.	Music.....	230 00
Casey, Thos. H., payment on acceptance.....	Sewer in West- chester Ave. and E. 150th St., bet. Brook & Court- land Aves., etc.	3,329 05
Doak, Geo. F., payment on acceptance..	Paving Courtland Ave., fr. N. 3d Ave. to 156th St.	4,410 10
Donohue, P., mould	Manhatt'n Square.	288 05
Fischer, George & Bro., gutters, etc....	Riverside Park, 1883.....	148 00
Haight Hartley, labor and materials...	Riverside Park...	725 00
Jones, Chas., Estimate No. 7.....	Grove St. Sewer, from Brook to N. 3d Ave., with connecting sew- ers.....	8,880 72

Mahon, Bernard, security for repairs..Flagging side-walks, etc., in Elton Ave., from Washington to 3d Aves.....	\$374 81
The Metropolitan Telephone and Telegraph Co., rental, June.....	Telephonic Service 312 50
Perkins, Jas. H., security for repairs..Regulating, etc., 134th St., from Willis to Brook Ave	389 92
Perkins, Jas. H., security for repairs..Regulating, etc., 143d St., from Willis to Brook Ave	247 67
Tully, Thos., mould, etc	Paradise Park.... 140 50
	<u>\$21,444 57</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Music	\$1,350 00
Walks, Central Park and City Parks and Places.....	848 25
Riverside Park	725 00
Manhattan Square, Improvement of.....	288 05
Paradise Park.....	140 50
Telephonic Service.....	312 50
Riverside Park, 1883.....	148 00
Street Improvements.....	17,632 27
	<u>\$21,444 57</u>

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of twenty-one thousand four hundred and forty-four dollars and fifty-seven cents.

(Signed)

JOHN D. CRIMMINS,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, July 18, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That contracts for work for which proposals were this day received and opened be awarded, as follows :

For furnishing and delivering, where required, broken trap-rock stone and trap-rock screenings, along certain roads, avenues and streets in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards in the City of New York— John A. Bouker.....	\$22,481 25
For regulating, grading, and setting curb-stones on Transverse road No. 2, crossing the Central Park, from the west curb-line of the Fifth avenue entrance, at Seventy-ninth street, to the east curb-line of Eighth avenue, at Eighty-first street—Dennis W. Moran.....	4,155 70
For constructing a sewer and appurtenances in Walton avenue, from One Hundred and Fiftieth street to a point five hundred feet northerly therefrom—Thomas Murray.....	2,422 10
For constructing a sewer and appurtenances in One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street, from the summit between Willis and Alexander avenues to Brook avenue—B. C. Murray.....	7,385 30

—they being the lowest bidders for said several works ; that the proposals be sent to the Comptroller for his approval of sureties ; when so approved that contracts be entered into with the aforementioned parties for doing said several works, and that the PRESIDENT be authorized to sign said contracts on behalf of the Department, and appoint Inspectors on the works when they are required.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Receiving Basins.

The Treasurer presented the following estimates for constructing two receiving-basins on Riverside avenue, at One Hundred and Fifteenth street :

James Slattery.....	\$240 00 each.
Thomas Murray.....	185 00 “
John S. Masterson.....	173 00 “

Commissioner VIELE moved that the estimate of John S. Masterson be accepted as the lowest bid, and that the Treasurer be authorized to issue an order for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Mahon, B.—Grading Willis avenue.

From Bernard Mahon, Contractor for regulating and grading Willis avenue, in relation to the construction of an approach at One Hundred and Forty-eighth street and Willis avenue.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the Treasurer be authorized to issue an order to Bernard Mahon for constructing an approach at One Hundred and Forty-eighth street and Willis avenue, at an expense not to exceed \$175, the same to be charged to “Maintenance Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.”

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Executive Session.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, at 11.30 A. M., the Board went into Executive Session.

Kirby, J. H.—Resignation.

From the Captain of Police, inclosing the resignation of Gatekeeper John H. Kirby.

Accepted.

Superintendent of Parks.

From the Superintendent of Parks :

Eckweiler, J. P.—Transfer.

1st. Recommending that Jno. P. Eckweiler, laborer on Riverside Park, be transferred for duty as gardener on the maintenance force.

Commissioner VIELE moved that the recommendation of the Superintendent of Parks be approved.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Brennan, Thos.—Restoration.

2d. Reporting that he had restored Thos. Brennan to duty as painter, after an absence of three days, his services being required, and asking that his action be approved.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the action of the Superintendent of Parks in restoring Thomas Brennan to duty be approved.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Force on Riverside Drive.

3d. Stating that he had transferred six men from Riverside Drive to the Central Park, and recommending that the services of one monitor and one cart be dispensed with in order to further reduce the force employed on Riverside Drive.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the action and recommendation of the Superintendent of Parks to dispense with the services of one monitor and one cart now employed on Riverside Drive be approved.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

McLaughlin, Owen—Restoration.

4th. Recommending the restoration of Owen McLaughlin, carpenter.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that Owen McLaughlin be restored to duty as carpenter.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Masons—Pay of.

From the Engineer of Construction, enclosing a communication from the masons employed on construction work asking for an increase of pay.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the pay of the masons employed in the Department be fixed at \$3.50 per day.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Topographical Engineer—Clerk.

From the Topographical Engineer, recommending the employment of a clerk for duty in his office, the clerk formerly employed there having been transferred to the office of the Engineer of Construction.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Brady, James—To appoint.

Resolved, That James Brady be and he is hereby appointed a skilled laborer for duty in the office of the Topographical Engineer, at \$2.50 per day, to be paid from the account, "Survey, Maps and Plans."

Laid over.

On motion, at 12.20 P. M., the executive session arose and the Board

Adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, 1884.

REGULAR MEETING—10 A. M.

Present—Commissioner VIELE, President.

“ WALES,
“ CRIMMINS,
“ OLLIFFE.

Sewerage District—Fordham Heights.

Fordham Morris, Esq., appeared before the Board and presented a petition signed by L. G. Morris, Hugh N. Camp, and other property owners, requesting that action be taken to provide for the sewerage and drainage of a portion of the Fordham Heights District in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer.

The minutes of the meetings of July 2, 14, 16 and 18, were read and approved.

The following communications were received :

Board of Aldermen.

From the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen, transmitting copies of the following ordinances and resolutions adopted by said Board :

Warren street—Regulating, etc.

1st. Ordinance to regulate, grade, etc., Warren street, from Railroad avenue to Weeks street.

Railroad avenue—Crosswalks.

2d. Resolution amending a resolution and ordinance approved April 26, 1884, for laying crosswalks in Railroad avenue, near One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street.

160th street—Regulating, etc.

3d. Resolution amending a resolution and ordinance approved August 1, 1883, for regulating, grading, etc., One Hundred and Sixtieth street, between Washington and Railroad avenues.

Referred to the Engineer of Construction.

Benches in City Hall Park.

4th. Resolution requesting this Department to cause benches to be placed in City Hall Park.

Ordered filed.

Battery Park Grass Plots.

5th. Resolution requesting this Department to set apart grass plots, etc., in Battery Park for a children's playground.

Ordered filed.

Substitution of Employees.

From the Comptroller, stating the proposition of Thomas Murray to substitute Isaac A. Hopper in lieu of Theo. H. Rahdenburg, as surety on his proposal for constructing a sewer in Walton avenue.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the consent of this Department be and hereby is given to the substitution of Isaac A. Hopper in lieu of Theo. H. Rahdenburg as surety on the contract of Thomas Murray, for constructing a sewer in Walton avenue.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Commissioners of Accounts—List of lands.

From the Commissioners of Accounts, asking to be furnished with a list of the parcels of real estate belonging to and premises leased by the city and under the control of this Department.

Referred to the President.

Gazelle—Present.

From Commander H. C. Taylor, enclosing a letter received by the Mayor from Commander Ludlow, offering to present a gazelle to the Central Park collection.

Ordered filed.

Museum Natural History—Enlargement.

From James M. Constable, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the American Museum of Natural History, asking the approval of this Department of the enlargement of the lecture-room in the Museum Building at the expense of the fund for public instruction recently secured from the State.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, it was

Resolved, That permission be and hereby is granted the Trustees of the American Museum of Natural History to enlarge the lecture-room in the Museum Building, the work to be done without expense to this Department and under the supervision of the Architect.

College avenue—Opening of.

From John C. Grant, Jas. H. Gibney and others, property owners, petitioning for the opening of College avenue, in the Twenty-third Ward.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer.

Robbins avenue—Sewer.

From Philip and Wm. Ebling and others, property owners, petitioning for the construction of a sewer in Robbins avenue, between One Hundred and Forty-ninth street and Westchester road.

Referred to the Engineer of Construction.

Spuyten Duyvil District—Opening street.

From Isaac G. Johnson, T. H. Edsall and others, property owners, petitioning for the opening of a certain street, designated as a street of the first-class on the map of the Spuyten Duyvil District, and shown on a diagram submitted by them.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer.

Doak, Geo. F.—Claim of.

From Geo. F. Doak, contractor, for paving Courtland avenue, from North Third avenue to One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street, enclosing a bill amounting to \$600 for extra work performed while paving said avenue.

Referred to the Engineer of Construction to report.

Music—Sundays.

A petition signed by 1,867 employees of Straiton & Storm; also other petitions asking for a continuance of concerts in Central Park on Sundays, were received, and ordered filed.

Music—Straiton & Storm.

From Straiton & Storm, asking that arrangements be made for giving concerts in Tompkins Square on Sundays, and offering to bear the expense of the same.

Ordered filed.

Music—C. N. Crittenden and others.

From C. N. Crittenden and A. M. Cochrance, in relation to Sunday concerts in Central Park, and requesting permission to erect a tent in which to hold Gospel service, etc.

On motion of Commissioner OLLIFFE, the matter was referred to the President.

Skate Building—Plans of.

From the Architect, submitting a plan for a skate building to be erected in Central Park.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the plan for a skate building submitted by the Architect be approved ; that the Architect be directed to procure estimates for erecting said building and submit them to the Board, and that application be made to the Board of Aldermen for the passage of a resolution giving this Department authority to erect said building by private contract.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Engineer of Construction.

From Engineer of Construction :

Sunken lots, 165th street.

1st. Submitting plans and specification for filling sunken lots on northwest corner of One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street and Forest avenue, and for laying crosswalks at One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street and Railroad avenue.

On motion said plans and specifications were approved and referred to the Treasurer to obtain estimates for doing the work and submit them to the Board.

Regulating 136th, 137th and 154th streets.

2d. Submitting plans and specifications for the following works :

Regulating, grading, etc., One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street, between North Third avenue and Brook avenue.

Regulating, grading, etc., One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street, between North Third avenue and Brook avenue.

Regulating, grading, etc., One Hundred and Fifty-fourth street, between North Third avenue and Courtland avenue.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the plans and specifications for regulating, grading, etc., One Hundred and Thirty-sixth and One Hundred and Thirty-seventh streets, between North Third

and Brook avenues, and One Hundred and Fifty-fourth street, between North Third and Courtland avenues, as this day submitted by the Engineer of Construction, be approved and ordered printed, and when so printed and approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation, that the Secretary be directed to insert advertisements in the *City Record* inviting proposals for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

138th street—Repairs to.

3d. In relation to the dangerous condition of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, between Willis and Brook avenues, caused by the settling of the filling over the sewer recently constructed in said street, stating that he had twice notified the contractor to repair the same, but that no attention had been paid to his notices, and recommending that the work be done by the Department and charged to the contractor.

Commissioner WALES moved that the work of repairing the roadway of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, between Willis and Brook avenues, where the sewer has been recently constructed, be proceeded with by this Department, and that the expense of such repairing be charged against the contractor for constructing the sewer in said street.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Webster avenue sewer.

4th. In relation to commencing work on the contract for constructing a sewer in Webster avenue, and recommending

that the New York and Harlem R. R. Co. be notified to preserve their tracks from injury or remove them for a reasonable time to allow the work to proceed.

Referred to the President.

Madison Avenue Bridge—Approaches.

5th. In relation to the work required to complete the approaches to the Madison Avenue Bridge.

On motion of Commissioner OLLIFFE, the Engineer of Construction was directed to prepare plans, specifications and form of contract for doing the work required to complete the approaches to the Madison Avenue Bridge, and submit them to the Board for approval.

162d Street—Sewer.

6th. In relation to the construction of a sewer in One Hundred and Sixty-second street (Union avenue), from the Brook avenue sewer to Courtland avenue, and thence up Courtland avenue, plans and specifications for the same being nearly completed.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the Engineer of Construction be directed to prepare and submit plans, specifications and form of contract for a sewer to be constructed in One Hundred and Sixty-second street, from the Brook avenue sewer to Courtland avenue, and in Courtland avenue, which specifications and form of contract shall be printed, and when so printed and approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation, that the Secretary be directed to insert an advertisement in the *City Record* inviting proposals for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Topographical Engineer.

From the Topographical Engineer, submitting plans as follows :

Plan showing proposed change of grade of East One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, between Willis and Brook avenues.

Plan of sewerage system in Courtland avenue, from East One Hundred and Sixty-first to East One Hundred and Sixty-second street, and in East One Hundred and Sixty-second street, from Courtland avenue to Brook avenue.

Plan showing Dyckman street, from Kingsbridge road to River street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

Courtland avenue—Sewerage system.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the map or plan, entitled "Plan of drainage for Courtland avenue, from East One Hundred and Sixty-first street to East One Hundred and Sixty-second street, and East One Hundred and Sixty-second street, from Courtland to Brook avenue," dated New York, August 5, 1884, and signed S. F. Chalfin, Topographical Engineer of the Department of Public Parks, be and hereby is approved and adopted, and that copies thereof be duly filed according to law.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

138th street—Grade of.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That under and by virtue of the powers conferred on the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York, by chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, they do hereby establish the grades of that portion of East One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, lying between Willis avenue and Brook avenue, as shown on a map or plan entitled, "Plan and profile of East One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, between Willis avenue and Brook avenue, in the Twenty-third Ward, of the City of New York," dated New

York, August 5, 1884, and signed S. F. Chalfin, Topographical Engineer, D. P. P., the same being such as said Commissioners or a majority of them deem most conducive to the public good, and that the President be and he is hereby designated and directed to have prepared and to certify and file three similar plans or profiles of the same, in pursuance of the provisions of the law above cited.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Dyckman Street—Grade of.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That under and by virtue of the powers conferred on the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York, by chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, they do hereby lay out, establish and classify a certain street of the width, extent, direction, grade and class, shown on a map or plan entitled : " Plan and profile showing Dyckman street, from Kingsbridge road to River street, in the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York," dated August 5, 1884, and signed S. F. Chalfin, Topographical Engineer, Department of Public Parks, the same being such as the said Commissioners, or a majority of them, deem most conducive to the public good, and that the President be hereby designated and directed to certify and file the said plan and profiles, and the similar copies of the same, in accordance with the provisions of the law above cited.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Works in progress.

From the Topographical Engineer, reporting upon the progress of the work under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Superintendent of Parks.

From the Superintendent of Parks :

Damage to park railings.

1st. Relating to the frequent damage done to the railings around the Fourth avenues parks, by vehicles not having sufficient room to pass, owing to the encroachment upon the street by builders.

On motion, said communication was ordered on file and a copy sent to the Commissioner of Public Works.

Washington Square—Damage to.

2d. Relative to the depredations of the crowds attending the concerts in Washington Square.

Referred to the President.

Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards.

From the Superintendent, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards :

Eagle avenue—Repairs to.

1st. In relation to the necessity for providing means of access to Eagle avenue, from Cliff street.

Commissioner VIELE moved that the matter be referred to the Treasurer with power.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Suspensions.

2d. Reporting the temporary suspension of men and teams during stormy weather.

Approved.

Works in progress.

3d. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Chillas, C. F.—Stuyvesant Square.

From Cordelia F. Chillas, complaining of the present condition of the eastern fountain basin in Stuyvesant Square.

Referred to the Secretary to reply to Mrs. Chillas.

Glass, John—Bay window.

From John Glass, asking permission to erect a bay window on a building to be erected by him on the south side of Waverley place, forty-four feet west of Washington Square, as shown on plans submitted by him.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the consent of this Department is hereby given to the erection of a bay window by John Glass on the building which he proposes to erect on the south side of Waverley place, 44 feet west of Washington Square, the same not to project more than four feet beyond the house line.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Andrews, W. D.—Water supply.

Commissioner WALES presented a communication from Wm. D. Andrews and Brother, in relation to the tests made by them for obtaining a water supply in Central Park by their patent tube and gang well system, in accordance with their proposition of January 31, 1884, which was referred to the President to examine and report at the first meeting in September as to the advisability of making application to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for an appropriation for completing the work necessary to obtain a supply of water.

Yonkers' Gas-light Co.—Gas-mains.

From the President of the Yonkers Gas-light Company, in relation to the laying of gas service-pipes in the Twenty-fourth Ward.

On motion, the Secretary was directed to notify the Yonkers' Gas-light Company that the map asked for, showing their system of pipes, etc., must be furnished this Department before the permit asked by them would be granted.

Free drinking-fountains.

On motion of Commissioner OLLIFFE, it was

Resolved, That permission be given the Business Men's Moderation Society to place free drinking-fountains on such parks as the President of this Department may designate.

Jones, O. L.—Gravel.

Commissioner WALES presented communications from Oliver L. Jones, in relation to gravel, and making a proposition to furnish the same to this Department.

Which were referred to Commissioner CRIMMINS to report upon.

Audit.

Commissioner WALES, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, presented the following report :

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

McQuade, John, Estimate No. 25.....	Const. Bdgs. over Harlem River..	\$2,588 17
Mahon, Bernard, Estimate No. 3.....	Sewer 149th street, bet. Brook and Robbins avenues.	2,551 50
		<u>\$5,139 67</u>

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Construction Bridges over Harlem River.....	\$2,588 17
Street Improvements.....	2,551 50
	<u>\$5,139 67</u>

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of fifty-one hundred and thirty-nine dollars and sixty-seven cents.

(Signed)

S. H. WALES,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, August 6, 1884.

The above mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Ammann, C., trees.....	Riverside Avenue.	\$30 00
Arnold, David P., meat.....	Zoological Dept...	227 50
Bayne's Sixty-ninth Regiment Band, music.....	Music.....	320 00
Barry, Warren C., charcoal.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	5 00
Barron, James S. & Co., sundries.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	\$52 50
	Zoological Dept..	3 75
	Harlem Riv. Bdgs	3 75
		<hr/> 60 00
Brady, James, labor and materials....	Mount St. Vincent Refreshment House.....	975 00
Brady, James, final estimate.....	Mount St. Vincent, Building at, 1883	15,018 70
Beck, Louis D., gravel.....	Walks, Central Park and City Parks and Places	837 00
Beck, Louis D., gravel.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	846 00
Beck, Louis D., gravel.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	724 50
Bremner & Fitzgerald, coal.....	Harlem Riv. Bdgs	52 50
Benoit, A. V., drawing paper, etc.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	52 27

Brown, Martin B., binding lists	Sewer in 144th and 145th Sts., from 3d to Brook Ave., and in 143d St., bet. Alexander and Brook Aves. and Branches . . .	\$7 50
Bouker, John A., trap rock	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	980 00
Bouker, John A., trap rock	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	735 00
Brustlein, Sury & Co., polysolve	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	20 00
Budd, D. Reynolds, index	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	75 00
Candee & Kane, cement, etc.	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	205 50
Cappa, C. A., music	Music	450 00
Connolly, John E., corn, oats, etc.	Zoological Dept . .	26 19
Connolly, John E., oats, meal, etc.	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	21 63
Corr, Patrick, stairs	Riverside Park . .	485 00
Dahiman, I. H., horses	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	275 00
Dean, W. E., payment on accept.	Sewer in 145th St., bet. Brook and St. Ann's Aves	2,697 80
Devlin & Co., uniforms	Police	12 96
Doherty, H. H., petty expenses	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$119 84
	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	18 27
		138 11
Duyckinck, W. C., forge	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	27 00
Dugan, Mortimer, mould	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	72 80
Egan, Michael, security	Sewer, 140th St., bet. North 3d and Alexander Aves	121 46

Ferris, Edwin & Co., salt.....	Riverside Avenue.	\$9 00
Ferris, Edwin & Co., salt.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	4 50
Fischer, Geo. & Bro., turning.....	Riverside Park...	197 00
Gaden, Geo. F. & Co., yellow pine....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	\$197 25
	Riverside Avenue.	2 05
	<hr/>	199 30
The Gutta Percha and Rubber Manu- facturing Co., rubber.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	2 00
Harold, John, mould.....	Riverside Avenue.	36 00
Harmer, Hays & Co., sundries.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	16 44
The Hazard Powder Co., powder and fuse.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	29 35
Harlem Gas-light Co., gas.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	26 32
Hoe, R. & Co., saws.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	15 07
Jones, Chas., Estimate No. 2.....	Morningside Park.	8,166 24
Johnson, Seaman, labor and materials.	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	110 00
McAllister, F. E., wheelbarrow, etc...	Zoological Dept..	20 00
McAllister, F. E., brush hook.....	Surveying, Laying out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, etc.....	3 00
McLoughlin, Jas., labor and materials.	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	735 00
Marquand, Henry G., Treasurer Mu- seum of Art.....	Maint. Museums .	1,571 74
Metropolis Oil Co., oil.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	\$19 50
	W a l k s , Central Park, and City Parks.....	3 25
	Harlem R. Bdgs..	16 70
	<hr/>	39 45
The Metropolitan Gas-light Co., gas...	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	61 65
Mitchell, A. H. & Bro., hay.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	19 72

The J. L. Mott Iron Works, plumbing and materials	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$19 58
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, road-boxes, etc	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1883..	216 00
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, bends and pipe.....	Mt. St. Vincent Refreshment House.....	3 10
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, manhole covers	Manhattan Square, Imp. of.....	108 00
Murray, Thos., security.....	Regulating Court- landt Ave. from North 3d Ave. to East 156th St	627 50
The N. Y. Mutual Gas-light Co., gas..	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	44 55
The N. Y. Coal Tar Chemical Co., pitch, etc	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places.....	530 46
New, T.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	\$31 80
	Walks, Central Park, etc., City Parks and Places.....	9 60
O'Brien, M., milk	Zoological Dept..	41 40
Otis & Gorstine, vitrified pipe.....	Drainage and irrig- ation of Central Park	14 40
O'Donnell & Treanor, coal.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$65 22
	Riverside Park ...	53
	Harlem R. Bdgs..	5 25
		71 00
Perkins, Jas. H., Estimate No. 3	Regulating, etc., 165th St., from Boston Road to Union Ave.....	1,776 60

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Pierson & Co., iron.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	\$21 84
Pridgeons' Hamilton Bakery, bread ...	Zoological Dept..	64 00
Post & McCord, final estimate.....	Const. Bdgs. over Harlem River..	10,420 96
Pope & Klie, vegetables.....	Zoological Dept..	44 50
Porters' Sons, Wm., lanterns.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	19 50
Reiche, Chas. & Bro., bird food....	Zoological Dept..	12 00
Roger, H. A., game cock packing....	Harlem R. Bdgs..	9 23
Robitzek, G. & Bro., coal	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places	90 00
Starke, Casper, harness repairs	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	32 45
Seymour, W. N. & Co., sundries....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	42 98
Seymour, W. N. & Co., sundries....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	11 38
Seymour, W. N. & Co., nails, etc....	Riverside Park...	7 39
Steers Bros., yellow pine	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	25 00
Seaman, W. L., ratline.....	Harlem R. Bdgs..	2 52
Smith, Clifford, E., wagon materials..	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	14 28
Schoonmaker, S. A. & Co., whiting ...	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	17 19
Scott, D., fish.....	Zoological Dept..	10 50
Tatham & Brothers, lead pipe	Labor, Maint. and Supplies....	\$14 00
	Mt. St. Vincent Refreshment House.....	48 60
		<hr/> 62 60
Tully, T., mould.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	410 90
Watkins, Jas. G. & Bro., iron cans....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	\$9 60
	Riverside Avenue.	4 80
		<hr/> 14 40
		<hr/> <u>\$51,687 41</u>

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Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.....	\$6,087 80
Zoological Department.....	422 84
Walks, Central Park and City Parks.....	1,460 71
Harlem River Bridges.....	99 55
Riverside Avenue.....	81 85
Music.....	770 00
Maintenance Museums.....	1,571 74
Maintenance Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards....	159 58
Mount St. Vincent Refreshment House.....	1,026 70
Manhattan Square, Improvement of.....	108 00
Labor, Maintenance and Supplies, 1883.....	216 00
Mount St. Vincent, Building at, 1883.....	15,018 70
Drainage and Irrigation of Central Park.....	140 00
Riverside Park.....	689 92
Police.....	12 96
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps..	3 00
Street Improvements.....	5,230 86
Construction Bridges over Harlem River.....	10,420 96
Morningside Park, Improvement of.....	8,166 24
	—————\$51,687 41

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of fifty-one thousand six hundred and eighty-seven dollars and forty-one cents.

(Signed)

S. H. WALES,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, August 6, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

Post & McCord—Final estimate.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the final estimate in favor of Post & McCord be withdrawn from said report, and returned to the Engineer of Construction with instructions to deduct therefrom the penalty charged for overtime in the completion of the contract.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Brady, James—Final estimate.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that James Brady be relieved of the penalty of overtime in the completion of his contract with this Department for erecting a refreshment building in the Central Park, in accordance with the recommendation of the Architect, contained in his communication received this day, and attached to said estimate.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to the original motion as amended, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Washington avenue—Grade of.

From Edward Baker, Alfred Knapp and others, property owners, requesting that the present grade of Washington avenue, between One Hundred and Sixty-sixth and One Hundred and Sixty-seventh streets, be permanently established.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer.

Riverdale avenue—Repairs to.

Commissioner VIELE moved that the Treasurer be authorized to obtain new estimates for filling, grading and draining Riverdale avenue, between Broadway and Bailey avenue, and submit them to the Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Olliffe—3.

Murray, B. C. —Overtime on contract.

Commissioner WALES, to whom was referred a communication from B. C. Murray, contractor, for regulating, grading, etc., Clifton street, asking that the penalty for one hundred and five days' overtime in the completion of his contract be remitted, made an adverse verbal report to the request of Mr. Murray.

Which was accepted.

Statuary—Loan to Art Museum.

Commissioner WALES presented a communication from L. P. di Cesnola, Director of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, giving a list of the pieces of statuary now in the Arsenal building, which the Trustees of said Museum would be willing to accept from this Department as a permanent loan.

Referred to the President.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

High Bridge District Map—File.

Resolved, That so much of the plan for laying out the High Bridge District adopted on the 7th day of May, 1884, omitting therefrom the lands as designated on said map to be taken for parks and shown on said maps lying north of the line of High Bridge be filed, and that the President be authorized to certify and file three similar maps or plans thereof according to law.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Bridge over Harlem River—To adopt plan.

Commissioner WALES called up the following preamble and resolution, laid over at a meeting held June 18, 1884, and moved its adoption :

Whereas, Under the provisions of section 3, chapter 534 of the laws of 1871, this Department is authorized to construct a bridge over the Harlem river at not more than a half a mile above the High Bridge; and

Whereas, By resolutions adopted by this Board on June 6, and October 17, 1883, the history of the action taken under the law above mentioned, and the urgent necessities for the speedy erection of a bridge at the point indicated, are fully set forth and made known; and

Whereas, In conformity with the resolutions above referred to, eminent engineers have presented three different sets of plans for the erection of this bridge, each possessing peculiar degrees of merit, and costing respectively \$3,064,624, \$1,500,000, \$1,193,347; and

Whereas, It is the duty of this Board to provide adequate means of travel over the Harlem river, and at the same time to be governed by a judicious economy; therefore be it

Resolved, That the plan submitted by Mr. Joseph M. Wilson, showing stone piers, at an estimated cost of \$1,193,347, be and the same is accepted and adopted, and that Mr. Wilson be requested to proceed without delay with the preparation of working drawings, specifications, and contracts for the stone work and the superstructure, separate and complete, and submit the same to this Board for its action; that the compensation to be paid Mr. Wilson for the preparation of all plans and the supervision of the work of constructing said bridge shall be five per cent. on the amounts paid under the several contracts for its construction, less the sum of \$1,000, as authorized and stipulated under resolution of the Board of December 19, 1883.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said preamble and resolution, and it was determined in the negative, a majority of all of the members of the Board not voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales and Olliffe—2.

Noes—Commissioners Viele and Crimmins—2.

Contracts—Award of.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That contracts for work for which proposals were received and opened July 18, 1884, be awarded, as follows :

For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide, in East One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street, from the easterly curb-line of North Third avenue to the westerly curb-line of Willis avenue, to Dennis W. Moran..... \$2,203 80

For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide, in One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street, from the westerly curb-line of North third avenue to the easterly curb-line of Railroad avenue, East, to Dennis McGrath. 14,610 17½

—they being the lowest bidders for said works ; that the proposals be sent to the Comptroller for his approval of sureties ; and when so approved, that contracts be entered into with the afore-mentioned parties for doing said works, and that the President be authorized to sign said contracts on behalf of this Department, and appoint inspectors on the works when required.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Plumbing, etc., High Bridge Hotel.

The Treasurer presented the following estimates for plumbing, painting and carpenter-work at the High Bridge Hotel :

P. McDermott..... \$745 00
James McLaughlin 725 00

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the Treasurer be authorized to issue an order to James McLoughlin for doing the work at an expense not to exceed \$725.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Iron Railing—Fletcher Avenue Park.

The Treasurer presented the following estimates for erecting an iron railing on Fulton avenue, between One Hundred and Sixty-ninth and One Hundred and Seventieth streets :

	Per lin. foot.
The J. L. Mott Iron Works.....	\$3 95
Nuhn & Strohaecker.....	3 33
Atlantic Iron Works.....	3 22

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the Treasurer be authorized to issue an order to the Atlantic Iron Works for doing the work, the railing not to exceed 211 lineal feet in length, at a cost of \$3.22 per foot.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Lamp-posts—Madison Avenue Bridge.

The Treasurer presented the following estimates for furnishing and erecting twenty-nine lamp-posts on the Madison Avenue Bridge :

J. B. & J. M. Cornell.....	\$9 40
The J. L. Mott Iron Works.....	9 00

Commissioner VIELE moved that the Treasurer be authorized to issue an order to the J. L. Mott Iron Works for furnishing and erecting the lamp-posts, at an expense not to exceed \$9 each.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Jeannette Park.

The PRESIDENT, to whom was referred the subject of the improvement of Jeannette Park, made a verbal report, stating that there being no funds at the disposal of the Department for improving said park, the work could not be proceeded with until such a fund should become available.

Accepted.

Quarterly Report.

The PRESIDENT presented a report of the transactions of the Department for the quarter ending June 30, 1884, which was approved, and ordered, signed and transmitted to the Mayor.

Executive Session.

On motion, at 1 P. M., the Board went into Executive Session.

Finn, Wm.—Pay for cleaning building.

A communication was received from William Finn, occupant of the building in East River Park, asking to be allowed compensation for cleaning and putting the premises in order.

Ordered filed.

Whittemore, W. F.—Transfer.

From W. F. Whittemore, asking to be transferred from the Engineer Corps, employed under the Topographical Engineer, to construction work.

Ordered filed.

Comptroller—Keystone Bridge Voucher.

From the Comptroller, returning for correction the voucher for ninety per cent. payment in favor of the Keystone Bridge Company for work done on their contract.

Boller, A. P.—Madison Avenue Bridge.

From A. P. Boller, Engineer, reporting the completion of the Keystone Bridge Company's contract for building the superstructure of the Madison Avenue Bridge, and submitting an estimate for the final payment; also bills for professional services.

Referred to the President to report.

Madison Avenue Bridge—Water supply.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, the President was requested to confer with the Commissioner of Public Works in relation to securing the supply of water required for the use of the engine, etc., on the Madison Avenue Bridge.

Superintendent 23d & 24th Wards—Increase of pay.

From L. A. Risse, Superintendent Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, asking for an increase of salary.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following:

Resolved, That the salary of L. A. Risse, Superintendent Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, be and is hereby fixed at \$2,500 per annum, to date from September 1, 1884.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Sheridan, Terrence—Transfer.

From the Superintendent of Parks, reporting the death of Wm. Werner, division gardener, and recommending that Terrence Sheridan be promoted from laborer to gardener.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That Terrence Sheridan be and he is hereby promoted from laborer to the rank and pay of gardener.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Conservatory Lake—Dirt washing into.

From the Superintendent of Parks, in relation to the dirt washed into the Conservatory lake in Central Park by the recent heavy rains, and recommending that the lake be cleaned and the grading around it properly attended to.

Referred to the Engineer of Construction.

Topographical Engineer—Reduction of force.

From the Topographical Engineer, reporting in reference to the work under his charge, and submitting a list of the employees, showing their grades, rates of pay and the duties on which they are employed, and the necessity for a reduction of the force in consequence of a lack of sufficient appropriation.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That in consequence of the diminished appropriation—

F. S. Dodge, office assistant,
 N. McConaughty, assistant engineer,
 T. L. Meyer, computer,
 W. F. Whittemore, assistant,
 J. J. Clabby, axeman,
 F. W. Dalrymple, axeman,
 T. J. Lucy, chainman,
 E. H. Cooper, rodman,

—be suspended from and after August 15, 1884; that they be paid up to that date, and should their services be required on any other work of the Department, that the President be authorized to assign them to such work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Keepers—Charges against.

Commissioner WALES, to whom was referred the subject of the investigation of charges preferred against members of the Police Force of the Department, made a verbal report, and recommended as follows :

1. That Gatekeeper Wm. J. Nally, charged with violation of rules and conduct unbecoming an officer ; Parkkeeper James Bannon, charged with sleeping on post and gross neglect of duty ; Gatekeeper Wm. H. Donohue, charged with absence without leave and with violation of rules and neglect of duty, and Parkkeeper Thomas Ulings, charged with intoxication, be dismissed from the force of the Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said recommendation, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

2d. That Parkkeeper Thomas Green, charged with being off post and gross neglect of duty, be discharged from the force of the Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said recommendation, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

3d. That Parkkeeper Edward J. Dougherty, charged with sitting down on post, and gross neglect of duty (two charges), be fined five days' pay and cautioned.

4th. That Gatekeeper Wm. D. Tracy, charged with being off post and violation of rules, on May 31, 1884, be fined five days' pay and reprimanded.

5th. That Gatekeeper Wm. D. Tracy, charged with violation of rules and neglect of duty, on August 12, 1884, be fined one day's pay.

6th. That Parkkeeper Owen Delaney, charged with violation of rules, and gross neglect of duty, be fined two days' pay.

7th. That Parkkeeper Chas. B. Hoagland, charged with being off post, be fined one day's pay.

8th. That Parkkeeper Patrick Green, charged with neglect of duty, be fined two days' pay.

9th. That Gatekeeper John Flynn, charged with being off post, be fined one day's pay.

10th. That Gatekeeper Thomas Holden, charged with being off post (two charges), be fined two days' pay.

11th. That Parkkeeper John V. Taylor, charged with being absent without leave, be fined three days' pay and cautioned.

12th. That Parkkeeper Wm. Holt, charged with being absent without leave, be fined two days' pay.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said recommendations, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

13th. That the charges against the following persons be dismissed :

Parkkeeper C. B. Hoagland, charged with violation of rules.

Parkkeeper Thomas McGuire, charged with absence without leave.

Parkkeeper Adolph Klein, charged with absence from roll-call.

Parkkeeper George Hall, charged with being off post and neglect of duty.

Parkkeeper Eugene Moran, charged with conduct unbecoming an officer.

Parkkeeper Maurice Sheehan, charged with violation of rules and gross neglect of duty.

Parkkeeper Hugh Reilly, charged with absence from roll-call.

Parkkeeper John O'Shaughnessy, charged with absence without leave.

Gatekeeper Matthew McInerney, charged with disobedience and gross neglect of duty.

Gatekeeper James E. Bagley, sitting down on post and neglect of duty,

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said recommendation, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Heilferty, David—Transferred.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That David Heilferty be transferred for duty with rank and pay of Parkkeeper.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Ryan, James
Thompson, W. D. } Transferred.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That James Ryan and Warren D. Thompson be transferred for duty with the rank and pay of Parkkeepers.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Hodges, ex-Foreman—Report on.

Commissioner CRIMMINS, to whom was referred for consideration and report the assignment of suitable duty to ex-Foreman Hodges, presented a written report recommending that he be appointed Superintendent of the Stables.

Laid over.

Walsh, T. E., appointed.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That John E. Walsh be and he is hereby appointed gatekeeper *vice* Nally removed.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Kennedy, Thomas—Blacksmith.
Russell, Louis—Paver.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That Thomas Kennedy be transferred for duty as blacksmith at \$2 per day, and Louis Russell as paver at

\$2 per day, under the Superintendent of Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

20 Laborers }
1 Blaster } 23d and 24th Wards.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the employment of twenty laborers, four horses and carts, and Michael McMahan, blaster, at \$2.50 per day, be authorized for work in Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Viele, E. L., elected President.
Olliffe, W. M., elected Treasurer.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That Egbert L. Viele be and he is hereby elected President, and William M. Olliffe elected Treasurer, both to serve until November 1, 1884.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Adjournment.

On motion of Commissioner OLLIFFE, it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it do adjourn to meet on the first Wednesday in September next.

At 2 o'clock P. M., the Executive Session arose and the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21, 1884.

—
SPECIAL MEETING—10 A. M.
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The Board met pursuant to the following :

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
CITY OF NEW YORK, 36 UNION SQUARE, }
August 19, 1884. }

Mr. E. P. BARKER,

Secretary :

SIR—You will please issue notices for a meeting of the Board, to be held on Thursday, 21st instant, at 10 A. M., for the purpose of receiving and opening proposals for works advertised, and for the transaction of such other business as may be presented.

Respectfully,

EGBERT L. VIELE,
President D. P. P.

Present—Commissioner VIELE, President.

“ WALES.
“ CRIMMINS.
“ OLLIFFE.

Proposals - Opening of.

At the hour of ten o'clock, Mr. Marsh, the representative of the Comptroller, being present, and the meeting open to the public, the President, in the presence of the representa-

tive of the Comptroller and of such of the persons making proposals as were present, opened the estimate-box and publicly opened and read all the estimates or proposals which had been received in accordance with an advertisement duly published in the *City Record* for the following works, namely :

- No. 1. For regulating and grading Brook avenue, from the New York and Harlem Railroad to a point four hundred and eighty-seven feet southerly from One Hundred and Thirty-second street, together with the approaches thereto and including the construction of a wooden bridge to carry said avenue over One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street and the Port Morris Branch of the New York and Harlem Railroad.
- No. 2. For constructing sewers and appurtenances across the Eighth avenue and in the Central Park at Eighty-eighth street.
- No. 3. For constructing a sewer and appurtenances from the sewer on the easterly side of the Riverside avenue, at One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, across the avenue and westerly into the Riverside Park.
- No. 4. For paving with trap-blocks Transverse Road No. 2, crossing the Central Park, from the west curb-line of the Fifth avenue entrance, at Seventy-ninth street, to the east curb-line of Eighth avenue, at Eighty-first street.
- No. 5. For laying crosswalks at Willis and Morris avenues at their junction with Third avenue.
- No. 6. For the erection of a carriage-shed at Mount St. Vincent, Central Park.
- No. 7. For the erection of a ladies' cottage at Central Park.

Table of Bids for Regulating and Grading Brook Avenue, from the New York and Harlem Railroad to a point 487 feet southerly from One Hundred and Thirty-second Street, together with the approaches thereto, and including the construction of a Wooden Bridge to carry said avenue over One Hundred and Fifty-sixth Street and the Port Morris Branch of the New York and Harlem Railroad.

ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2	
		JOHN McQUADE.		B. C. MURRAY.	
		Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
Filling	204,000 cubic yds.	\$0 51	\$104,040 00	\$0 49	\$99,960 00
Dry rubble masonry other than retaining wall.....	100 "	2 00	200 00	4 50	450 00
Brick masonry.....	100 "	5 00	500 00	19 00	1,900 00
Yellow pine timber and plank, in place, per M. feet.....	18,000 feet.	55 00	990 00	95 00	1,710 00
Time for completion, at \$3 per day.....	.....	Days. 325	975 00	Days. 900	2,700
Totals.....	.....	....	\$106,705 00	....	\$106,720 00

Table of Bids for Constructing Sewers and Appurtenances across the Eighth Avenue, and in the Central Park at Eighty-eighth Street.

ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2	
		J. S. MASTERSON.		BERNARD MAHON.	
		Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
Elliptical brick sewer, 4' x 2' 8" interior diameter, including rubble masonry cradle, as per section on plan.....	200 linear feet.	\$9 00	\$1,900 00	\$11 00	\$2,200 00
24-inch pipe sewer, including concrete foundation and cradle, as per section on the plan of the work.....	250 "	8 00	2,000 00	5 00	1,250 00
Large manhole complete, in Eighth avenue.....	1	200 00	200 00	90 00	90 00
Manholes complete, in Central Park.....	2	100 00	200 00	45 00	90 00
Lumber furnished and laid, per M. feet.....	10,000 feet.	35 00	350 00	20 00	200 00
Concrete in place, exclusive of cradle for pipe sewers.....	20 cubic yds.	3 00	60 00	3 00	60 00
Time specified, 60 days.....	.....	Days. 50	240 00	....	240 00
Totals.....	.....	...	\$4,850 00	...	\$4,180 00

Table of Bids for Constructing a Sewer and Appurtenances, from the Sewer on the easterly side of the Riverside Avenue, at One Hundred and Twenty-seventh Street, across the avenue, and westerly into the Riverside Park.

ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2	
		J. S. MASTERSON.		BERNARD MAHON.	
		Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
Brick sewer of 3' 6" x 2' 1½", interior diameter, as per sections on plan.....	380 linear feet.	\$4 35	\$1,658 00	\$5 50	\$2,090 00
Time for completion, at \$4 per day.....	.....	Days. 20	80 00	30	120 00
Totals.....	.....	....	\$1,738 00	....	\$2,210 00

Table of Bids for Paving with Trap-blocks, Transverse Road No. 2, crossing the Central Park, from the west curb-line of the Fifth Avenue Entrance, at Seventy-ninth Street, to the east curb-line of Eighth Avenue, at Eighty-first Street.

ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2		3		4	
		JOHN WHITE.		GEO. F. DOAK.		BERNARD MAHON.		WM. A. CUMING.	
		Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
New trap-block pavement.....	9,610 square yds.	\$2 29	\$22,006 90	\$1 86	\$17,874 60	\$2 18	\$20,949 80	\$2 12	\$20,373 20
New bridge-stone.....	414 square feet.	65	269 10	45	186 30	50	207 00	44	182 16
Time for completion, at \$3.50 per day.....	Days. 65	227 50	Days. 48	168 00	Days. 40	140 00	Days. 47	164 50
Totals.....	\$22,508 50	\$18,228 90	\$21,296 80	\$20,719 86

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Table of Bids for Laying Crosswalks at Willis and Morris Avenues, at their junction with Third Avenue.

ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2		3		4		5		6	
		J. S. MASTERSON.		STILES M. SAUNDERS.		DENNIS W. MORAN.		BERNARD MAHON.		DENNIS McGRATH.		Wm. F. MURRAY.	
		Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
New bridge-stones for crosswalks, furnished and laid	2,200 sq. feet.	\$0 49	\$1,078 00	\$0 50	\$1,100 00	\$0 46	\$1,012 00	\$0 48	\$1,056 00	\$0 45	\$990 00	\$0 45	\$990 00
Old bridge-stone for crosswalks relaid	600 "	15	90 00	04	24 00	08	48 00	10	60 00	06	36 00	12	72 00
New trap-block pavement furnished and laid	275 sq. yds.	2 05	563 75	2 25	618 75	2 50	687 50	2 20	605 00	1 24½	342 37½	2 30	632 50
Old trap-block pavement relaid	950 "	47	446 50	25	237 50	45	427 50	20	190 00	30	285 00	35	332 50
Time for completion, at \$3.50 per day		Days. 20	70 00	Days. 10	85 00	Days. 17	59 50	Days. 15	52 50	Days. 9	31 50	Days. 30	105 00
Totals			\$2,248 25		\$2,015 25		\$2,234 50		\$1,963 50		\$1,684 87½		\$2,182 00

Table of Bids

For the erection of a Carriage-shed at Mount St. Vincent,
Central Park, City of New York :

Wm. F. Croft	\$3,727 00
James Brady, time, 50 days.....	2,897 00

Table of Bids

For the erection of a Ladies' Cottage at Central Park, City of
New York :

Wm. F. Croft.....	\$5,472 00
James Brady, time, 150 days.....	4,970 00

Order of Court—In Matter of Investigation.

The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

The President presented a copy of the order made by Judge Van Brunt in the matter of the examination of the Commissioners of the Department upon the application of John Noble Stearns and others, which was ordered entered at length upon the minutes, as follows :

SUPREME COURT.

IN THE MATTER

of

The Application of JOHN NOBLE STEARNS, JOSHUA C. SANDERS, HORACE WINANS, EDWARD A. MORRISON and GEORGE H. BEYER, for the examination of SALEM H. WALES, WILLIAM M. OLLIFFE, JOHN D. CRIMMINS, and EGBERT L. VIELE, Commissioners of Parks of the City of New York.

This proceeding having been adjourned to July 23, 1884, at 10.30 A. M., at the request of the applicants, and the applicants,

by James W. Hawes, Esq., their counsel, at the adjourned time having applied for a further postponement of the proceeding, and further postponement having been opposed by the counsel for said Commissioners,

It was ordered and it is now hereby ordered that such further postponement be refused, and thereupon the Commissioners having desired to proceed with the introduction of evidence on their behalf, the applicants by their said counsel objected that the Commissioners had no right under the statute to introduce evidence, and the parties by their respective counsel having been heard.

And the counsel for the Commissioners stating that the applicants being put upon the record as making the objection they will not ask that it be overruled save in the respect hereinafter provided, it is hereby further ordered, without any decision of the objection by me, that the proceeding so far as concerns the introduction of evidence be closed with the right to the Commissioners to make a motion before me to impose costs on those promoting the examination, and without prejudice to any right of the Commissioners or of the applicants to introduce evidence upon that motion.

July 24, 1884.

(Signed) C. H. VAN BRUNT,
J. S. C.

The following communications were received :

Board of Aldermen—Sale of old materials.

From the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen, transmitting a copy of a resolution adopted by said Board and approved by the Mayor, in relation to the sale of old and waste material.

Ordered filed.

Comptroller—Sureties on contract regulating 139th street.

From the Comptroller, in relation to the proposition of Dennis W. Moran to substitute a surety on his proposal for regulating, etc., One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That this Department hereby consents to the substitution of Michael McGrath, in lieu of Charles Jones, as one of the sureties on the contract awarded to Dennis W. Moran, for regulating, etc., One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Comptroller—Sureties on Contract Regulating 156th Street.

From the Comptroller, in relation to the proposition of Denis McGrath to substitute the sureties on his proposal for regulating, etc., One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That this Department hereby consents to the substitution of John H. Boessennecker and Valentine Loewer in lieu of Charles Jones and James Bowen as sureties on the contract awarded Denis McGrath for regulating, etc., One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Comptroller—Civil Service Appointments.

From the Comptroller, calling attention to the requirements of Regulation XVIII. of the "Regulations for admission to the Civil Service of the City of New York."

Ordered filed.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That, in accordance with Regulation XVIII. of the Civil Service Regulations, the following-named persons

are hereby appointed to the positions set opposite their names respectively, subject to the further pleasure of this Board :

David Fanning, Gatekeeper.
 C. Harrigan, Gatekeeper.
 James Higgins, Gatekeeper.
 David Heilferty, Parkkeeper.
 H. McGonegal, Gatekeeper.
 Andrew Owens, Inspector.
 Patrick O'Hara, Steam Engineer.
 F. Reeves, Gatekeeper.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Counsel to Corporation—Trinity avenue.

From the Counsel to the Corporation, in relation to section 2 of chapter 457 of the Laws of 1884, being an act to alter the width of Trinity avenue, or Delmonico place, and stating that in his opinion the intention of the Legislature by the passage of said act was to authorize the Park Commissioners to reduce the width of Trinity avenue, or Delmonico place, between One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street on the south and One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street on the north.

Ordered filed.

Melrose avenue—Opening of.

From F. Schwaz, Carl Kurz, Fred. A. Muller, and others, petitioning for the opening of Melrose avenue, in the Twenty-third Ward, in order that a sewer may be constructed therein at the earliest possible day.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer.

McQuade, John—Work on Madison Avenue Bridge.

From John McQuade, reporting the completion of the work on his contract in connection with the Madison Avenue

Bridge, and requesting an examination be made by the Engineer into the matter of any overtime there may be charged against him, as well as to the work performed by him in excess of the quantities called for in the contract, and asking that the check of \$250 deposited with his bid for trestle work be returned to him.

Commissioner Wales moved that the communication from John McQuade be referred to the Engineer of Construction to report upon, and that the Secretary be directed to return to Mr. McQuade the check for \$250 deposited by him with his estimate for trestle-work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Mullin, J. A.—Birch street, opening of.

From Rev. James A. Mullin, petitioning on behalf of himself and others for the opening of Birch street.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer.

Greiffenberg, Fred.—Leave of absence.

From Fred. Greiffenberg, Assistant Engineer, asking leave of absence for three months, without pay.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, Fred. Greiffenberg, Assistant Engineer, was granted leave of absence for three months, without pay.

Art Museum.—Contract for excavation.

From Theodore Weston, Architect, submitting plans and specifications for excavating on the Central Park for the proposed extension of the Metropolitan Museum of Art building.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the plans and specifications for the excavation necessary for the extension of the Metropolitan Museum of Art building, as this day submitted by Theodore Weston, Architect, be approved and ordered printed, and when so printed and approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation, that the Secretary be directed to insert an advertisement in the *City Record* inviting proposals for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Superintendent, 23d and 24th Wards.

From the Superintendent Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.

Works in progress.

1st. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Employment of monitor.

2d. Recommending the employment of an additional monitor on the work of sprinkling Jerome avenue.

Referred to the President to report.

Contracts for—

Regulating 160th street
Regulating 154th street
Sewer 162d street
Sewer 170th street

From the Engineer of Construction.

1st. Submitting plans and specifications for the following works :

Regulating, etc., One Hundred and Sixtieth street, between Washington avenue and Railroad avenue, east.

Regulating, etc., One Hundred and Fifty-fourth street, from Courtland avenue to Morris avenue.

Constructing sewer in One Hundred and Sixty-second street, from Brook to Courtland avenue, and in Courtland avenue.

Constructing sewer in One Hundred and Seventieth street, between North Third avenue and Franklin avenue, and in Fulton avenue.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the plans and specifications for regulating, grading, etc., One Hundred and Sixtieth street, between Washington avenue and Railroad avenue, east; for regulating, grading, etc., One Hundred and Fifty-fourth street, from Courtland avenue to Morris avenue; for constructing a sewer in One Hundred and Sixty-second street, from Brook avenue to Courtland avenue, and in Courtland avenue; and for constructing a sewer in One Hundred and Seventieth street, between North Third avenue and Franklin avenue, and in Fulton avenue, as this day submitted by the Engineer of Construction, be approved and ordered printed, and when so printed and approved as to form, by the Counsel to the Corporation, that the Secretary be directed to insert advertisements in the *City Record* inviting proposals for doing the works.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Burns, John—Discharge.

2d. Reporting Jno. Burns, laborer, for intoxication and assaulting the foreman.

On motion, Jno. Burns, laborer, was discharged.

Engineer—Suspension and transfer of.

3d. Reporting the suspension of Horace Crosby, Assistant Engineer, and H. H. Derr, Chainman, and the transfer of

J. B. Shea, Assistant,
 N. McConaughy, Assistant Engineer,
 E. N. Cooper, Rodman,
 F. W. Dalrymple, Assistant,
 F. L. Meyer, Computer.

Commissioner OLLIFFE moved that that part of the report of the Engineer of Construction, relating to suspension of H. H. Derr, Chairman, and the transfer of J. B. Shea, Assistant, be stricken out, and that the remainder of said report be approved.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Cromwell avenue—Opening of.

From the Topographical Engineer, reporting upon the petition of J. J. and Wm. Astor and Henry Lewis Morris for the opening of Cromwell avenue, from One Hundred and Fiftieth street to Endrow place ; Endrow place, from Cromwell avenue to Jerome avenue ; and One Hundred and Fiftieth street, from the channel line of Harlem river to a point where the title thereof is now vested in the public, being the easterly line of River avenue, and recommending the preparation of grade and monument maps of the same for adoption.

Commissioner WALES moved that the Topographical Engineer be directed to prepare grade and monument maps showing Cromwell avenue, Endrow place and One Hundred and Fiftieth street, as described in his report, and submit the same to this Board for adoption.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Wiltse, Alexander—Watchman.

From the Superintendent of Parks, stating that an additional watchman being required at the new refreshment building in Central Park, he had selected Alexander Wiltse as a proper person, subject to the approval of the Board.

Commissioner WALES moved that the action of the Superintendent of Parks in selecting Alexander Wiltse to act as watchman, be approved.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Owen, George—Float at Third avenue.

From George Owen, on behalf of Orson P. Raynor, complaining of a float moored at the Third Avenue Bridge, over Harlem river.

Referred to Commissioner Olliffe to report.

Audit.

Commissioner WALES, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, presented the following report :

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Deane, W. E., Estimate No. 3.....	Sewer, etc., Lincoln avenue, bet. Harlem river and 134th st., and on Southern Boulevard, from Lincoln to Willis avenue.....	\$2,326 94
Jones, Chas., Estimate No. 8.....	Sewer, Grove st., bet. Brook and N. Third aves., with connect'g sewer.	6,379 45

McQuade, John, labor and materials... Const. Bdgs. over Harlem river...	\$375 00
Moran, Dennis W., Estimate No. 3... Regulating 138th st., etc., from St. Ann's to Rider (College) ave...	2,725 80
Moore, J. D., paym't on acceptance... Regulating, etc., 143d st., from east curb-line of Brook to west curb-line of St. Ann's avenue...	3,021 42
Murray, B. C., security..... Sewer, 144th st., bet. College ave. and 143d st.....	109 56
Post & McCord, paym't on accept..... Const. Bdgs. over Harlem river...	10,945 96
	<u>\$25,884 13</u>

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Construction Bridges over Harlem River.....	\$11,320 96
Street Improvements.....	14,563 17
	<u>\$25,884 13</u>

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of twenty-five thousand eight hundred and eighty-four dollars and thirteen cents.

(Signed)

S. H. WALES,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK. August 21, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Madison Avenue Bridge—President's report.

The President, to whom was referred communications from the Comptroller and A. P. Boller, Engineer, in relation to an estimate for payment on account of work done by the Keystone Bridge Company, under their contract for the superstructure of the Madison Avenue Bridge, that was audited and sent to the Finance Department on June 4, 1884, made a verbal report, presented a corrected estimate amounting to \$12,971.72, and moved that the same be approved and transmitted to the Finance Department for payment instead of the estimate previously audited, amounting to \$13,839.32.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Madison Avenue Bridge—Final estimate.

The PRESIDENT announced that the Keystone Bridge Company had completed their contract for erecting the superstructure of the Madison Avenue Bridge, and moved that the same be accepted, and that the bridge be opened for public travel as soon as the approaches thereto are in proper condition.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Madison Avenue Bridge—Extra lamps.

From A. P. Boller, in relation to the extra lamps placed on the Madison Avenue Bridge, and stating that they were necessary for the proper lighting of the draw.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, said communication was referred back to Mr. Boller, notifying him that he had no authority for ordering such extra lamps.

Commissioner WALES, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, presented the following report :

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bill, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Keystone Bridge Co., paym't on accept. Const.	bridges	
	over Harlem	
	river.....	\$20,089 18

Amounting to the sum of twenty thousand and eighty-nine dollars and eighteen cents, less two hundred for lamps unauthorized by the contract.

(Signed)

S. H. WALES,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, August 21, 1884.

The above-mentioned bill having been read, Commissioner CRIMMINS moved the same, less two hundred dollars charged for extra lamps unauthorized by the contract, be approved, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit it to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Madison Avenue Bridge—Engineer and Bridge-tender.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the same number of employees be employed for duty on the Madison Avenue Bridge as are now employed on the Third Avenue Bridge.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Mould for Refreshment-house sheds.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to purchase such quantity of filling as may be required to bring to a proper grade the site of the sheds at the new refreshment building in Central Park, the expense of the same to be charged to the account for Construction.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Third Avenue Bridge—Condition of.

On motion of Commissioner WALES :

Resolved, That in view of the very unsatisfactory condition of the draw of the Third Avenue Bridge, and of the liability that at any time it may fail to operate, and thereby subject the travelling public to most serious inconvenience and delay, that the matter be referred to the President to report at an early meeting of the Board, what measures should be taken to provide a remedy, together with an estimate of the cost of such changes of said draw as may be deemed advisable and necessary.

Cleaning sewer—Central Park.

From the Engineer of Construction, recommending the employment of sixteen laborers for work in cleaning the brick sewer in the upper part of Central Park, and four stone masons for work on the bay wall in connection with the Seventy-seventh and Eighty-first street entrances.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the employment of sixteen laborers on drainage, four stone masons on entrances at Eighth avenue and

Seventy-seventh and Eighty-first streets, be and the same is hereby authorized.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Darke, Edward—Resignation.

From Edward Darke, resigning his position as Parkkeeper on the force of the Department, to date from August 23, 1884.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, the resignation of Edward Darke was accepted.

McGuire, John }
Vredenburgh, S. J. } Appointed.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That John McGuire and Sydney J. Vredenburgh be and they are hereby appointed Gatekeepers on the force of the Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Flynn, James—Appointed.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That James Flynn be and he is hereby appointed a Gatekeeper on the force of the Department, vice John E. Walsh resigned.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Claremont—John Black.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That a license for the occupancy of and sale of refreshments on the premises known as Claremont, on the Riverside Park, be granted to John Black for the term of years, he agreeing to pay to the Department a license fee of 5 per cent. of the gross receipts from the sale of refreshments, and that the President be authorized to execute such license on behalf of this Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the negative, a majority of all of the members of the Board not voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Olliffe—2.

Noes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins—2.

Claremont—P. A. Bernard.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That a license for occupying and selling refreshments at the premises known as Claremont, on the Riverside Park, be granted to P. A. Bernard for the term of five years, he agreeing to pay to the Department a license fee of five per cent. of his gross receipts, and that the President be authorized to execute such license on behalf of this Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Jones, Aneurin—Salary.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the salary of Aneurin Jones, Superintendent of Parks, be fixed at \$4,000 per annum, to date from September 1st next.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Morley, Charles }
Whalen, John } Transferred.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That Charles Morley, Laborer, under Foreman McGovern, in Central Park, be transferred for duty in Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, and that John Whalen, Laborer, in Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, be transferred to Foreman McGovern's gang.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Refreshment house—Heating.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, it was

Resolved, That application be made to the Board of Aldermen for the passage of a resolution authorizing this Department to purchase the necessary apparatus for heating the new refreshment building in Central Park, without public letting.

Cottage—Central Park.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the contract for building a cottage on the Central Park, proposals for which were this day opened, be awarded to James Brady, at \$4,950, he being the lowest bidder for the work, and that sum being the extent of appropriation at the disposal of the Department for doing the work, and that the proposal of Mr. Brady be sent to the Comptroller for his approval of sureties, and when so approved that the President be authorized to execute a contract for doing the work for that sum.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Ölliffe—4.

Contracts awarded.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That contracts for works for which proposals have this day been received be awarded as follows :

For constructing sewers and appurtenances across the Eighth avenue, and in the Central Park at Eighty-eighth street—Bernard Mahon	\$4,130 00
For constructing a sewer and appurtenances from the sewer on the easterly side of the Riverside avenue, at One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, across the avenue and westerly into the Riverside Park—J. S. Masterson	1,733 00
For paving with trap-blocks Transverse Road No. 2, crossing the Central Park, from the west curb-line of the Fifth avenue entrance at Seventy-ninth street, to the east curb-line of Eighth avenue at Eighty-first street—George F. Doak	18,228 90
For laying crosswalks at Willis and Morris avenues, at their junction with Third avenue—Denis McGrath	1,684 87½

—they being the lowest bidders for said several works ; that the proposals be sent to the Comptroller for his approval of sureties ; when so approved, that contracts be entered into with the aforementioned parties for doing said several works, and that the President be authorized to sign said contracts on behalf of the Department, and appoint inspectors on the works when they are required.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Carriage-shed—Central Park.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the proposal of James Brady for the erection of a carriage-shed at Mount St. Vincent, Central Park, amounting to \$2,897, this day received, be accepted as the lowest bid, and sent to the Comptroller for his approval of the sureties thereon; when so approved that a contract be entered into with James Brady for doing the work, and that the President be authorized to sign said contract on behalf of this Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

No—Commissioner Wales—1.

Murray, B. C.—Deposit with proposal.

On motion, the Secretary was directed to request the Comptroller to return to B. C. Murray the amount deposited by him with his proposal for regulating, grading, etc., Brook avenue, this day received.

Refreshment Building—License commences September 1, 1884.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, the Secretary was directed to notify the licensee of the new refreshment building in Central Park that said building would be completed and ready for his occupancy on September 1, 1884, and that his license will commence from that date.

Commissioner Wales—Absence.

Commissioner WALES announced to the Board his intention of being absent from the city for several weeks, and stated that he notified the Mayor to that effect.

Personnel—Departmental office.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the subject of the personnel of the Departmental office be referred to the President and Treasurer, with power to make such changes as may be necessary to promote the best interest of the Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Sutton, Patrick } Restored.
O'Keefe, John }

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That Patrick Sutton and John O'Keefe, Laborers on Central Park, be and they are hereby restored.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Adjournment.

On motion, at 12 M., the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 1884.

REGULAR MEETING—10 A. M.

Present—Commissioner VIELE, President.

“ CRIMMINS,

“ OLLIFFE.

On motion, the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

Montgomery avenue, } Opening.
Fort Independence street, }

Wm. O. Giles appeared before the Board and presented a petition, signed by N. P. Bailey, H. B. Claffin, I. M. Dyckman and others, for the opening of Montgomery avenue and Fort Independence street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, as shown on a plan submitted by them.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer.

Morris avenue sewer.

Alderman Fullgraff appeared and presented a communication, asking for the construction of a sewer in Morris avenue, from the summit between One Hundred and Thirty-eighth and One Hundred and Fortieth streets, to North Third avenue.

Referred to the Engineer of Construction.

Dundon, A. H.—Sewer, 184th street.

A. H. Dundon appeared and was heard in relation to the opening and sewerage of One Hundred and Eighty-fourth street.

On motion the matter was referred to the Topographical Engineer to report.

The following communications were received :

Departmental Estimates.

From the Comptroller, requesting this Department to submit to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, on or before September 30, 1884, its Departmental Estimate for the year 1885.

Laid over.

Department of Docks—Dredging Harlem river.

From the Secretary of the Department of Docks, stating the intention of that Department to proceed with the work of dredging the north side of Harlem river under the Third Avenue Bridge.

Ordered filed.

Golden & Norton—Bill of.

From Golden & Norton, calling attention to their claim against this Department for excavating at Mount St. Vincent in Central Park.

Referred to the President.

Parkkeeper Troy.

From William Pearsall, commending Parkkeeper No. 57 (Daniel Troy), for his courage in stopping a runaway team of horses in Central Park on 24th ultimo.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, it was

Resolved, That the conduct of Parkkeeper Daniel Troy, in stopping a team of runaway horses on 24th ult., is worthy

of the highest praise. Such prompt discharge of duty is not only indicative of good discipline, but of a personal interest in the service he has undertaken to perform, and his example is commended to the force.

Durand, C. C.—For employment.

From C. H. Simonson, S. W. Devoe, and others, recommending C. C. Durand for employment.

Ordered filed.

Cottle, Albert—Eagles for sale.

From Albert Cottle, offering to dispose of three specimens of the American golden eagle.

Referred to the Director of the Menagerie.

Jones, Charles—Webster avenue sewer.

From Charles Jones, desiring to be allowed to commence work on his contract for constructing a sewer in Webster avenue.

Referred to the President.

Topographical Engineer—Opening streets, Spuyten Duyvil district.

From the Topographical Engineer :

1st. Reporting upon the petition of Isaac G. Johnson and others, for opening certain unnamed streets and parts of streets in the Spuyten Duyvil district, and recommending that the preparation of grade and monument maps showing such streets be authorized for adoption, and that said streets be named by proper authority.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the Topographical Engineer be directed to prepare grade and monument maps of the streets above referred to and submit them to the Board for adoption.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Works in progress.

2d. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Engineer of Construction—Robbins avenue sewer.

From the Engineer of Construction :

1st. Reporting upon the petition of Philip and William Ebling and others, for the construction of a sewer in Robbins avenue, between One Hundred and Forty-ninth street and Westchester avenue, and recommending that the same be constructed with branches, etc.

Commissioner OLLIFFE moved that the Engineer of Construction be directed to prepare plans and specifications for a sewer in Robbins avenue, between One Hundred and Forty-ninth street and Westchester avenue, with branches, etc., and submit them to the Board for approval.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Warren street—Regulating, etc.

2d. Reporting upon an ordinance for regulating, grading, etc., Warren street, from Railroad avenue to Weeks street, and stating that, prior to commencing the work of improvement, it will be necessary to acquire title to the land required for the widening of said street.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer.

140th street—Regulating.

3d. Submitting plans and specifications for regulating, grading, etc., One Hundred and Fortieth street, from North Third to Willis avenue, and for regulating, grading, etc., One

Hundred and Fifty-first street, from North Third to Courtland avenue.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the plans and specifications for regulating, grading, etc., One Hundred and Fortieth street, from North Third avenue to Willis avenue; and for regulating, grading, etc., One Hundred and Fifty-first street, from North Third avenue to Courtland avenue, as this day submitted by the Engineer of Construction, be approved and ordered printed, and when so printed and approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation, that the Secretary be directed to insert advertisements in the *City Record* inviting proposals for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Madison Avenue Bridge—Approvals.

4th. Submitting plans and specifications for laying sidewalks and paving, etc., the approaches to the Madison Avenue Bridge.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the plans and specifications for laying sidewalks and paving, etc., the approaches to the Madison Avenue Bridge over the Harlem river, as this day submitted by the Engineer of Construction, be approved and ordered printed, and when so printed and approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation, that the Secretary be directed to insert an advertisement in the *City Record*, inviting proposals for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Supt 23d and 24th Wards—Works in progress.

From Superintendent of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards :

1st. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Temporary Suspensions.

2d. Reporting the temporary suspension of men and teams during stormy weather.

Approved.

Audit.

Commissioner CRIMMINS from the Auditing Committee presented the following reports :

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bill, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Murray, B. C., pavement.....	Special Fund, Re-	
	paving.....	\$179 00

Amounting to the sum of one hundred and seventy-nine dollars.

(Signed)

JOHN D. CRIMMINS,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, September 3, 1884.

The above-mentioned bill having been read and passed on, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve it, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit it to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Ammann, C., trees	Riverside Avenue.	\$20 00
American Supply Co., bolts, etc.	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$29 99
	Harlem R. Bdgs..	10 00
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		39 99
Arnold, David P., meat	Zoological Dept ..	245 70
Allen, O'Grady & Co., Estimate No. 1..	Sewer, Washing- ton Ave., bet. Brook Ave. and 169th St.	1,984 10
Aguirre, A. A., lettering maps.	Surveying, laying- out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps	12 68
Brandis, F. E., repairs, etc	Surveys, Maps and Plans	39 75
Barron, James S., brooms	Labor, Maint, and Supplies	\$36 87
	Zoological Dept. ...	2 50
	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places	3 75
	Harlem R. Bdgs..	1 88
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		45 00
Bayne's 69th Regiment Band, music...	Music	1,280 00
Benoit, A. V., tracing cloth	Surveys, Maps and Plans	6 40
Beck, Louis D., gravel	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	846 00
Beck, Louis D., gravel	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	771 75
Bouker, John A., screenings	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	446 85
Cappa, C. A., music	Music	910 00
Canda & Kane, cement	Entrances Central Park, and City Parks and Places	72 50

Christensen, H. B., maps.....	Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, etc.....	\$9 55
Fairbanks & Co., scales and repairs....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	42 85
Gaden, Geo. T. & Co., lumber.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	285 84
Goeller, Geo. C., rents.....	Rents, D. P. P....	57 00
The Gutta Percha and Rubber Manufacturing Co., hose.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	51 30
Harlem Gas-light Co., gas.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	23 62
Harrison, M., roofing felt.....	Riverside Park, 1883.....	40 00
Herbert, H. L. & Co., Cumberland coal..	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards, 1883 ...	57 50
Marquand, Henry G., Treasurer Museum of Art.....	Maint. Museums .	1,616 74
McAllister, F. E., hay forks.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	13 95
McArthur & Co., steel brooms.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	28 70
McNab & Harlin Mfg. Co., plumbing materials	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$2 31
	Central Park, Construction	3 00
		5 31
McQuade, John, Estimate No. 26	Const. Bdgs. over Harlem River..	1,302 04
McKesson & Robbins, salve.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	5 10
Metropolis Oil Co., oil.....	Harlem R. Bdgs..	45 90
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, stone roller.....	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places.....	40 00
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, sundries...	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	391 95

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Murray, P., blacksmithing.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	\$28 10
The N. Y. Coal Tar Chemical Co., coal tar, etc.....	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places.....	496 61
The N. Y. Mutual Gas-light Co., gas..	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	41 85
New York Wood Turning Co., balus- ters.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	60 00
New, T., felt.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	39 20
O'Brien, M., milk ...	Zoological Dept..	14 88
Pratt Mfg. Co., astral oil.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	7 44
Pierson & Co., iron.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	\$14 72
	Harlem R. Bdgs..	19 55
		<hr/> 34 27
Pope & Klie, vegetables.....	Zoological Dept..	37 95
Pridgeons' Hamilton Bakery, bread ...	Zoological Dept..	55 80
Raynolds, C. T. & Co., neats foot oil..	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	2 00
Seymour, W. N. & Co., sundries.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	19 40
Seaman, W. L., marline.....	Entrances Central Park, at 8th Ave., 77th and 81st Sts.....	2 12
Steers Bros., pine.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	45 60
Estate W. Simpson, rent.....	Rents D. P. P....	120 00
Tatham & Brothers, lead pipe.....	Central Park Con- struction.....	66 41
Taylor, A. S., newspapers.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	13 65
		<hr/> <hr/> \$11,778 31

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance and Supplies	\$3,220 94
Zoological Department	356 83
Walks, Central Park and City Parks and Places	540 36
Music	2,190 00
Riverside Avenue	20 00
Rents	177 00
Harlem River Bridges	77 33
Street Improvements	1,934 10
Construction Bridges over Harlem River	1,302 00
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps ..	22 23
Maintenance Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards...	28 10
Surveys, Maps and Plans	46 15
Entrances Central Park and City Parks and Places	74 62
Riverside Park, 1883	40 00
Maintenance Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, 1883	57 50
Maintenance Museums	1,616 74
Central Park, Construction	69 41
	—————\$11,773 31
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Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of eleven thousand seven hundred and seventy-three dollars and thirty-one cents.

(Signed)

JOHN D. CRIMMINS,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, September 3, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Connolly, John E., oats, etc.....	Labor, Maint. and supplies.....	\$808 33
Conklin, W. A., chimpanzee.....	Zoological Depart.	125 00
Doherty, H. H., petty expenses.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$95 50
	Zoological Depart.	83 74
	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	13 12
		<hr/> 192 36
Gaden, Geo. T. & Co., pine, etc.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	503 33
Morgan, J. P., Treasurer Mus. Nat. His.	Maint. Museums..	3,150 50
The Salamander Works, vitrified pipe.	Riverside Park...	820 37
Steers Brothers, spruce.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	246 30
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RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.....	\$1,407 16
Zoological Department.....	208 74
Maintenance Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards....	259 42
Maintenance Museums.....	3,150 50
Riverside Park	820 37
	<hr/> <hr/> \$5,846 19

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of fifty-eight hundred and forty-six dollars and nineteen cents.

(Signed)

JOHN D. CRIMMINS,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, September 3, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Brook Avenue—Regulating, etc.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the proposal of John McQuade, for regulating and grading Brook avenue, from the New York and Harlem railroad to a point four hundred and eighty-seven feet southerly from One Hundred and Thirty-second street, together with the approaches thereto and including the construction of a wooden bridge to carry said avenue over one Hundred and Fifty-sixth street and the Port Morris Branch of the New York and Harlem Railroad, received August 21, 1884, amounting to \$106,705, be accepted as the lowest bid and sent to the Comptroller for his approval of the sureties thereon; when so approved, that a contract be entered into with John McQuade, for doing the work, and that the President be authorized to sign said contract on behalf of this Department, and appoint an inspector when required.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Mott avenue, }
Trinity avenue, } Maps for filing.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the Topographical Engineer be and he is hereby directed to prepare and submit to this Board for adoption and filing amended maps or plans of Mott avenue and of Trinity avenue or Delmonico place, under the authority of chapter 457 of the Laws of 1884.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Bryant Park,
Mt. Morris Park, } lighting.

On motion of Commissioner OLLIFFE, it was

Resolved, That the Gas Commission be respectfully requested to include in their estimate for the year 1885, a sum sufficient to light Bryant Park (Reservoir Square) and Mt. Morris Park with electric lights.

Executive Session.

On motion, at 10.35 A. M., the Board went into Executive Session.

Minutes.

The minutes of the meetings held August 6 and 21 were read and approved.

Sewer-basins—Riverside Drive.

From the Superintendent of Parks, in regard to the improper condition of the sewer-basins belonging to the Department of Public Works on streets adjoining the Riverside Drive.

Referred to the Secretary to communicate with the Commissioner of Public Works in relation thereto.

Expenses of Assistants.

From the Topographical Engineer, forwarding a letter from L. F. Haffen, assistant in charge of monumenting, asking that an allowance be made for the car-fare of two laborers whose services are required in the Mount St. Vincent District to assist the Engineer Corps.

Commissioner VIELE moved that the two laborers detailed to assist the Engineer Corps in surveying and monumenting in the Mount St. Vincent district be allowed the amount of their car fare to and from Mount St. Vincent while they are so employed.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Hodges, Thos.—To appoint.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That Thomas Hodges be and he is hereby appointed a skilled laborer at \$2.50 per day.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the negative, a majority of all of the members of the Board not voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Olliffe—2.

No—Commissioner Crimmins—1.

McNerney, James—To restore.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That James McNerney be and he is hereby restored to duty as laborer on Central Park.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Painters, Carpenters—Employment of.

Commissioner Viele offered the following :

Resolved, That the employment of four painters and four carpenters be authorized for work on the Parks.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Kingsbridge road—Grade of.

A petition was received from W. H. Hayes, F. A. Thayer, D. G. Crosby and others for changing the grades of the Kingsbridge road and streets intersecting the same above One Hundred and Ninetieth street, and between the Hudson

and Harlem rivers, in order to secure effective drainage and easy transit.

Referred to Topographical Engineer.

Lattice-work—Refreshment house.

A plan of lattice-work, to be placed under the veranda of the new refreshment building in Central Park, was received from the Architect.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that said plan be approved and referred to the President with power.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Boller, A. P.—Madison Avenue Bridge.

A communication was received from A. P. Boller enclosing one from the Keystone Bridge Company respecting the clause in their contract guaranteeing the superstructure of the Madison Avenue Bridge for one year from the date of its acceptance.

Ordered filed.

The Treasurer reported that he could have the receiving-basin necessary to be built at the corner of Lincoln avenue and One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, done for the sum of \$175.00, and moved that an order be issued for the same.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Commissioner VEILE moved that Patrick Feely, laborer, be restored to duty.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Gas pipes—Refreshment-house and sheds.

On motion the subject of providing gas pipes for the sheds to be built in connection with the new refreshment building in Central Park, was referred to the Treasurer with power.

Appropriation—Transverse roads.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, it was

Resolved, That the interpretation of the language of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment in relation to the appropriation for the year 1884, for the pavement, etc., of the Transverse Roads through Central Park, be referred to the President with power.

On motion, at 12 m., the Executive Session arose and the Board

Adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1884.

REGULAR MEETING—10 A. M.

Present—Commissioner VIELE, President.

“ CRIMMINS,

“ OLLIFFE.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Washington avenue—Grade of.

Adolph Speck, John A. Hardy and others, property-owners, appeared before the Board and presented a petition protesting against the proposed alteration of the grading and widening of Washington avenue below One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street.

Which was referred to the Topographical Engineer to report.

Morris avenue sewer.

Alderman Fullgraff appeared and presented a petition signed by C. H. & F. J. Otten and others, property-owners, asking for the construction of a sewer in Morris avenue, from One Hundred and Forty-fourth to One Hundred and Fifty-first street.

Which was referred to the Engineer of Construction.

St. James avenue—Grade of.

Charles Wheatley appeared and presented a petition asking for the improvement of St. James avenue, from Kirkside avenue to a point about three hundred and fifty feet south-easterly therefrom, as shown on a diagram submitted with

said petition, which was referred to the Superintendent of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards to report.

The following communications were received :

Comptroller—Sureties, grading Brook avenue.

From the Comptroller in relation to the substitution of sureties on the proposal of John McQuade for regulating, grading, etc., Brook avenue.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That this Department hereby consents to the substitution of Butler H. Bixby and James A. Flack, in lieu of Charles L. Adams and George N. Manchester, as sureties on the contract awarded John McQuade for regulating, grading, etc., Brook avenue.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

159th street—Grade of.

From W. H. Turney, Christian Schneider and others, in relation to the grade of East One Hundred and Fifty-ninth street, from Courtland avenue to Railroad avenue.

Referred to the Engineer of Construction to report upon.

Haviland, John—Repairs to Mott avenue.

From John G. Haviland, calling attention to the necessity for repairing the flagging on Mott avenue, from One Hundred and Thirty-eighth to One Hundred and Forty-seventh street, and for regulating and grading One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, from Mott avenue to One Hundred and Forty-third street.

Referred to the Engineer of Construction to report.

Safford & Co.—Water Central Park.

From Safford & Co., asking permission to make examinations and estimate for procuring and furnishing a supply of water in Central Park.

Referred to the Engineer of Construction.

Topographical Engineer.

From the Topographical Engineer :

Birch street—Opening of.

1. Reporting upon the petition of Rev. James A. Mullin, for the opening of Birch street, from Jerome avenue to Sedgwick avenue, and stating that although the opening of said street would seem to be for the interest of the public, it has not been asked for by the property-owners, who would have to pay the expenses of the opening.

Ordered filed.

Works in progress.

2. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

184th street—Opening of.

3. Reporting in relation to the opening of East One Hundred and Eighty-fourth street in order that the same may be sewered, and stating that as yet only that portion of said street lying between Railroad and Webster avenues has been monumented.

On motion, the Topographical Engineer was directed to proceed with the work of monumenting East One Hundred and Eighty-fourth street, between Webster and Jerome avenues.

Superintendent of Parks—Heating Arsenal.

From the Superintendent of Parks, in relation to the necessity for providing a new apparatus for heating the Arsenal and Animal buildings in Central Park.

Ordered filed.

Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards—Works in progress.

From the Superintendent of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Engineer of Construction—138th street, grading of.

From the Engineer of Construction, in relation to the work of grading, etc., One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, from St. Ann's to College avenue, and changing the grade of said street four hundred and fifty feet east of Willis avenue.

Referred to the President.

Morris avenue sewer.

From the Engineer of Construction, reporting favorably upon the petition of Alderman Fullgraff for the construction of a sewer in Morris avenue, from the summit between One Hundred and Thirty-eighth and One Hundred and Fortieth streets to North Third avenue.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, the Engineer of Construction was directed to prepare the necessary plans and specifications for constructing a sewer in Morris avenue, from the summit between One Hundred and Thirty-eighth and One Hundred and Fortieth streets to North Third avenue, and submit them to the Board.

Taylor, A. J.—Laying out Burling and Sacchi tract.

From Alfred J. Taylor, asking that the streets running through his property situated on the north side of Harlem river, and known as the Burling and Sacchi tract, be monumented, and that the plan for their sewerage be perfected.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer.

Audit.

Commissioner CRIMMINS, from the Auditing Committee, presented the following report :

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

American Supply Co., wire.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		\$45 85
Bayne's 69th Regiment Band, music...	Music		460 00
Bertine, Edwin R., awnings, etc.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		52 80
Beck, Louis D., gravel.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....		868 50
Bouker, John A., screenings, etc.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards		945 00
Casey, Thos. H., Estimate No. 4.....	Sewer, N. 3d Ave. and Boston Rd., bet. Brook Ave. and 167th St...		4,874 45
Cappa, C. A., music	Music.....		460 00
Canda & Kane, cement.....	Riverside Park ...	\$29 00	
	Entrances Central Park, and City Parks and Places		43 50
			<hr/> 72 50
Connolly, John E., corn, etc.....	Zoological Dept..		28 35
Crofut & Knapp, helmets.....	Police		312 50
Devoe, F. W. & Co., paints, etc.....	Riverside Park...		62 85
Duparquet, L. F. & Huot, range, etc..	Mt. St. Vincent House of Re- freshment.....		265 00
Gaden, Geo. T. & Co., lumber.....	Riverside Park...		119 43
Groom, Wallace P., Receiver, saws...	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		14 00
The Hazard Powder Co., powder and fuse.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....		55 85
Hall, J. S., steam gauges, etc.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards		9 60
Hall, Robert and F. V. Morrison, pay- ment on acceptance.....	Regulating, etc., 141st St. from N. 3d to Rider Avenue.....		2,613 91

Hall, Robert and F. V. Morrison, pay- ment on acceptance.....	Regulating 142d St., from N. 3d to Rider Ave...		\$3,127 88
Masterson, John E., receiving-basins ..	Riverside Avenue.		346 00
McAllister, F. E., repairs to arbors....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....		460 00
McAllister, F. E., shovels, etc.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....		66 98
McKesson & Robbins, drugs, etc.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	\$20 56	
	Riverside Park ...	12 15	
		<hr/>	32 71
Metropolitan Gas-light Co., gas.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....		71 55
Metropolis Oil Co., oil.....			49 60
Mitchell, A. H. & Bro., oats, corn, etc..	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	\$427 32	
	Zoological Dept. ...	22 92	
		<hr/>	450 24
Morse, James O., shovels, etc.....	Sewers and Drains		32 00
Moffat, David & Co., harness leather..	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....		19 02
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, sundries...	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....		451 60
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, vase, etc..	Paradise Park....		140 00
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, tree guards.....	Riverside Avenue.		8 25
Murray, B. C., Estimate No. 1.....	Regulating, etc., 159th St., from N. 3d to Rail- road Ave. (East)		1,164 59
New, T., dead oil.....	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places		20 00
New, T., felt, etc.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1883..		33 50
Nesbitt's Sons, John, lime and cement..	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	\$111 95	
	Central Park, Con- struction.....	24 50	
		<hr/>	136 45
Nesbitt's Sons, John, brick, etc.....	Riverside Park...		133 15

Perkins, James H., security.....	Regulating Lincoln Ave., from Southern Boulevard to North 3d Avenue		\$330 82
Pierson & Co., iron	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		48 86
Robitzek, G. & Bros., coal.....	Harlem R. Bdgs..		52 50
Seaman, W. L., tar and rope.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		12 48
Simpson, Wm., estate of, rent.....	Rents, D. P. P....		120 00
Steers Bros., lumber	Riverside Park... Drainage and Irrigation, Central Park.....	\$246 39	
			18 00
			<hr/> 264 39
Steers Bros., spruce.....	Bronx Riv. Bdgs..		59 20
Simmons, John, pipe.....	Sewers and Drains.		9 12
Scott, D., fish.....	Zoological Dept. ..		10 85
Schoonmaker, S. A. & Co., sundries...	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		161 54
Seymour, W. N. & Co., sundries	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		24 95
Tatham & Brothers, lead pipe	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		26 40
Van Winkle, E. B., petty expenses...	Const. Bdgs. over Harlem River..		20 38
Van Winkle, E. B., petty expenses ...	Surveying, laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, etc	\$489 88	
	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....		106 64
			<hr/> 596 52
Van Winkle, E. B., petty expenses...	Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, 1883.....	\$272 03	
	Surveys, Maps and Plans, 1883.....		54 70
			<hr/> 326 73
			<hr/> <u>\$20,885 60</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.....	\$2,817 38
Maintenance Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards...	1,127 03
Entrances Central Park, at Eighth Avenue, Seventy-seventh and Eighty-first Streets.....	43 50
Riverside Park.....	603 97
Music.....	920 00
Police.....	312 50
Street Improvements.....	12,111 65
Zoological Department.....	63 12
Sewers and Drains.....	41 12
Paradise Park.....	140 00
Walks, Central Park and City Parks and Places.....	20 00
Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	106 64
Surveys, Maps and Plans, 1883.....	54 70
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, etc., 1883.....	272 03
Mount St. Vincent Refreshment House.....	265 00
Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.....	33 50
Riverside Avenue.....	1,171 00
Central Park, Construction.....	24 50
Harlem River Bridges.....	52 50
Rents, D. P. P.....	120 00
Construction of Bridges over Harlem River.....	20 38
Drainage and Irrigation of Central Park.....	18 00
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps..	489 88
Bronx River Bridges.....	59 20
	\$20,885 60

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of twenty thousand eight hundred and eighty-five dollars and sixty cents.

(Signed)

JOHN D. CRIMMINS,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, September 17, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Civil Service Re-appointments

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That in accordance with Regulation XVIII of the Civil Service Regulations, the following named persons are hereby appointed to the positions set opposite their names respectively, subject to the further pleasure of this Board :

James E. Bagley, Gatekeeper.

James F. Keyes, Inspector.

Thomas P. Moore, Inspector.

John Petry, Inspector.

Charles C. O'Rourke, Inspector.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Harlem River Bridges—Bonds.

Commissioner VEILE offered the following :

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby respectfully required to issue bonds to the amount of one hundred thousand (\$100,000) dollars, for the construction of bridges over Harlem river, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 534 of the Laws of 1871, and chapter 329 of the Laws 1874, and chapter 410 of the Laws 1882.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Lease yard at 143d street.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund be and they are hereby requested to authorize a lease of the premises, corner of One Hundred and Forty-third street and College avenue, for the use of this Department, for a term of

three years from May 1, 1884, at an annual rental of two hundred dollars and Croton water rent.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Electric lights—Central Park.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the Gas Commission be and they are respectfully requested to include in their estimate to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for the year 1885, a sufficient sum of money wherewith to erect and maintain a line of electric lights on the East Drive of the Central Park, from Fifty-ninth street to One Hundred and Tenth street.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Police uniforms.

The PRESIDENT presented a requisition from the Captain of Police for winter uniforms for Park and Gatekeepers, etc.; also a form of contract and specifications for furnishing such uniforms, and moved that the same be approved and ordered printed, and when so printed and approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation, that the Secretary be directed to insert advertisements in the *City Record* inviting proposals for furnishing the same.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Executive Session.

On motion, at 10.45 A. M., the Board went into Executive Session.

Schultz, C. H.—Painting Mineral Spring.

From Carl H. Schultz, licensee, submitting receipted bills for repairs made to the Mineral Spring building, in Central Park, amounting to \$595.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the expenditure made by Carl H. Schultz, licensee, amounting to \$595, for repairs to Mineral Spring building, be approved, and that that amount be credited him on account of his license fee.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and is hereby requested to transfer the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) from the appropriation made for Transverse roads, Central Park, for the year 1884, for which it is not required, to the appropriation made for the improvement and maintenance of Riverside Drive for the year 1884, which is insufficient.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Hodges, Thomas—For restoration.

From Thomas Hodges, stating that he had recovered his health sufficiently to resume his former duties as Foreman, and asking to be restored to duty.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That Thomas Hodges be and he is hereby restored to duty as Foreman of the Second Division of Central Park.

Commissioner VIELE moved that the matter be laid over.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to the motion, and it was determined in the negative, a majority of all of the members of the Board not voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins—2.

No—Commissioner Olliffe—1.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to the resolution as offered by Commissioner OLLIFFE, and it was determined in the negative, a majority of all of the members of the Board not voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Aye—Commissioner Olliffe—1.

Noes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins—2.

Work on Parks to be under Superintendent.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That all works on the Central Park or Riverside Park now in progress, other than the drainage of Central Park and Claremont on Riverside Park, be transferred to the charge of the Superintendent of Parks, that the drainage be continued under the Engineer of Construction, and Claremont be placed under the charge of the Architect.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the negative, a majority of all of the members of the Board not voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Aye—Commissioner Olliffe—1.

Noes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins—2.

Park carriage-stands.

Commissioner VIELE moved that the subject of the park carriage-stands in and around Central Park be referred to the Treasurer with power.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the negative, a majority of all of the members of the Board not voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins—2.

No—Commissioner Olliffe—1.

Commissioner OLLIFFE moved that the subject of the park carriage-stands in and around Central Park be referred to the President.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Hillier, Frank—Resignation.

From Frank Hillier, resigning his position as parkkeeper on the force of the Department. Accepted.

Parkkeepers—Charges against.

The PRESIDENT reported that in the absence of Commissioner WALES, he had investigated certain charges preferred against Park and Gate Keepers, and recommended as follows:

McGuire, Thomas.

1. That the charge of absence without leave, against Park-keeper Thomas McGuire, be dismissed.

Fitzpatrick, Hugh.

2. That the charge of conduct unbecoming an officer, against Roundsman Hugh Fitzpatrick, be dismissed.

Mahon, Francis.
 Delaney, Owen.
 Cunningham, M. E.
 McGuire, F. J.
 Stone, W. B.

3. That the following persons be fined one day's pay each :

Parkkeeper Francis Mahon, for violation of rules and neglect of duty.

Parkkeeper Owen Delaney, for violation of rules and neglect of duty.

Roundsman Michael E. Cunningham, for neglect of duty.

Parkkeeper Francis J. McGuire, for absence from roll-call.

Parkkeeper Wm. B. Stone, for absence without leave.

Green, Patrick.

4. That Parkkeeper Patrick Green, charged with absence without leave and absence from roll-call (two charges), be fined two days' pay.

Flynn, John.

5. That Gatekeeper John Flynn, charged with violation of rules, be fined three days' pay.

Buckley, M. H.

6. That the charges of violation of rules and intoxication against Parkkeeper Michael H. Buckley, the charge of absence without leave against Parkkeeper David Heilferty, and the charge of absence from roll-call against Gatekeeper Thomas J. McCarthy, be dismissed.

Duggan, Wm.

7. That Parkkeeper Wm. Duggan, charged with intoxication, and with violation of rules and gross neglect of duty (two charges), be fined thirty days' pay.

White, Patrick.

8. That Parkkeeper Patrick White, charged with intoxication, be fined thirty days' pay.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said recommendations, and it was determined in the

affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Park and Gate Keepers to be continued.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the resolution of the Board of June 18, 1884, dismissing from the force certain Park and Gatekeepers be suspended and they continued in the employ of the Department until the further order of this Board, except in the cases of Edward Burns and Hugh Reilly ; that Edward Burns be reduced to the rank of Gatekeeper, and that Hugh Reilly be dropped from the rolls, both to take effect October 1, 1884.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Powers, John, }
Harrigan, Cornelius, } Transferred.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That Gatekeepers John Powers and Cornelius Harrigan be and they are hereby transferred for duty as Parkkeepers.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Blake, David, }
Everett, John, } Transferred.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That David Blake be transferred from the maintenance force for duty in the shops, and that John Everett be appointed a Laborer on Riverside Park.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

McDonald, John J.—Appointed.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That John J. McDonald be and he is hereby appointed a Gatekeeper on the force of the Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Ryan, Patrick—Transferred.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That Patrick Ryan, Laborer, be transferred from the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards for work on drainage in Central Park.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Sigel, R.—Salary.

Church, W. S.—Dropped.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That Rudolph Sigel be promoted to the grade of Assistant, at \$3 per day, and transferred for duty on assessment lists, and that Assistant Engineer W. S. Church be suspended, on and after Oct. 1, 1884.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Mapes, C. A. }
Withington, C. } Leave of absence.

From Charles A. Mapes, Assistant Engineer, and Chandler Withington, Assistant, asking leave of absence until Jan. 1, 1885, without pay, and to return to duty at that time.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the request of Messrs. Mapes and Withington be granted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, at 11.50 A. M., the Executive Session arose, and the Board adjourned to meet on Tuesday next, at 1 P. M.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1884.

ADJOURNED MEETING—1 P. M.

Present—Commissioner VIELE, President.

“ CRIMMINS.

“ OLLIFFE.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following communications were received :

Butler, Edward—Restoration.

From the Engineer of Construction, recommending the restoration of Edward Butler, rockman.

Commissioner VIELE moved that Edward Butler be restored to duty.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Courtland avenue—Maps filed.

From the Topographical Engineer, submitting, for filing, three similar maps, designating Courtland avenue, from North Third avenue to East One Hundred and Sixty-first street as a *first-class* street or avenue, the same not having been hereto-

fore classified by this Department, as required by section 673, chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following:

Resolved, That Egbert L. Viele, President of the Department of Public Parks, be and he is hereby designated and directed to file, as required by law, the three similar maps or plans entitled "Map or plan of Courtland avenue, from west side of north Third avenue to south side of East One Hundred and Sixty-first street, in the City of New York, as established and classified by the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks, in pursuance of the provisions of chapters 329 and 604 of the Laws of 1874, and chapter 436 of the Laws of 1876," dated "New York, September 17, 1884," and signed "S. F. Chalfin, Topographical Engineer, Department of Public Parks."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Gravel for drives.

From the Superintendent of Parks, reporting in relation to the Park Drives and the great need of gravel for repairing them; also the necessity for reducing the working force.

Ordered filed.

Flynn, Patrick—Restoration.

From the Superintendent of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, recommending the restoration of Patrick Flynn, laborer.

Commissioner OLLIFFE moved that Patrick Flynn be restored to duty as laborer.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

159th street—Grade of.

From the Engineer of Construction, reporting upon the petition of W. H. Turney, Christian Schneider and others, asking for a change of the present grade of East One Hundred and Fifty-ninth street, from Courtland to Railroad avenue, and recommending that the grades of Railroad avenue, East, and East One Hundred and Fifty-ninth street be changed as shown on a diagram submitted by him.

On motion of Commissioner OLLIFFE, the Secretary was directed to insert a notice in the *City Record* inviting persons interested in the proposed change of grades to call at the office of the Topographical Engineer and examine the plans showing the same.

Plumbing—Tompkins Square.

From the Comptroller, returning the voucher of James McLoughlin for \$735, for plumbing work, etc., in the basement of the cottage in Tompkins Square, stating his opinion that the work should have been charged to the appropriation "For Erecting and Improving Ladies' and Gentlemen's Cottages," instead of "Labor, Maintenance and Supplies," and suggesting that a transfer be asked for for the purpose of paying the claim of Mr. McLoughlin from the appropriation for Erecting and Improving Cottages.

Ordered filed.

Audit.

Commissioner CRIMMINS, from the Auditing Committee, presented the following report :

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Bayne's 69th Regiment Band, music	Music	\$160 00
Beck, Louis D., gravel	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places	807 75
Beck, Louis D., gravel	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	778 50
Bouker, John A., trap rock, etc.	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	870 00
Bouker, John A., trap rock, etc.	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	825 00
Jones, Chas., labor and materials	Morningside Park, Improvement of	4,539 52
Mahon, Bernard, filling	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	175 00
McLoughlin, James, labor, etc.	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	55 00
Russhon, Geo., mould	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	35 00
Weeks, D. C., & Son, labor and mat's	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	998 00

\$9,243 77

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance and Supplies	\$1,866 50
Maintenance Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards	1,870 00
Music	160 00
Walks, Central Park and City Parks and Places	807 75
Morningside Park, Improvement of	4,539 52

\$9,243 77

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of ninety-two hundred and forty-three dollars and seventy-seven cents.

(Signed)

JOHN D. CRIMMINS,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, September 23, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now

approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Transfer of gang from Riverside Park to drainage.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That one of the most available gangs, now employed on the Riverside Park, be transferred for duty on drainage on the Central Park.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Ryan, James—Restored.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That James Ryan be and he is hereby restored to duty as laborer on Central Park.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

McCoy, Wm. } Appointed.
Green, Thomas. }

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That Wm. McCoy and Thomas Green be and they are hereby appointed laborers on drainage in Central Park.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Bagley, James E.—Transferred.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That Gatekeeper James E. Bagley be and he is hereby transferred for duty as Parkkeeper.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

McComb's Dam Bridge—Repairs to.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Superintendent of Parks be and he is hereby directed to proceed with the work of making the necessary repairs to McComb's Dam Bridge over Harlem river.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Heating Refreshment Building.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the subject of heating the new Refreshment Building in Central Park, be referred to the President and Treasurer with power.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Ladies' Maid—Casino.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the subject of the Ladies' Maid at the Casino in Central Park be referred to the President with power.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Bridge above High Bridge—Engineer to report on plans.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the plans for the bridge to be constructed over the Harlem river at not more than half a mile above High Bridge, be referred to General John Newton, Engineer-in-Chief, U. S. A., General Geo. B. McClellan and Hon. Wm. J. McAlpine, and that they be requested to give this Department their opinion as to the merits of the several plans now in possession of this Department for a bridge at that point.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Mott Haven Canal Bridge—Legal status of.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, it was

Resolved, That the President be and he is hereby requested to consult with the Counsel to the Corporation in relation to the legal status of the bridge over the Mott Haven Canal at One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street.

Hodges, Thos., appointed.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That Thomas Hodges be and he is hereby appointed a skilled laborer, to take charge of tools and implements in Central Park, at \$2.50 per day.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Stone Masons—appointment of.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the employment of four stone masons be and the same is hereby authorized, for work on the wall near Seventy-seventh street and Eighth avenue.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Departmental Estimate.

The Board proceeded to the consideration of the Departmental estimate for the year 1885, as follows :

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

DEPARTMENTAL ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 1885.

Maintenance and Government of Parks and Places :

Salaries—To pay the salaries of the President, Clerks, Engineers, Architects, Superintendent, and all employees of the Department, excepting Mechanics, Gardeners, Carts, Teams, the Laboring Force and Foremen employed in the work of maintaining the Parks and Places ; also excepting the Topographical Engineer and his Assistants in charge of Surveying, Monumenting, etc., Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, and also excepting the Superintendent and Engineer in charge of Public Places, Roads, Avenues and Bridges, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards...	\$45,000 00
Police—Salaries of Captains, Surgeons, Sergeants, Roundsmen, Patrolmen, Gatekeepers, Special Keepers and Police Tailors, and for Purchase of Uniforms and Supplies.....	190,000 00
Labor, Maintenance and Supplies—For all supplies and wages of all persons employed on works of maintenance, excepting those employed in the Zoological Department, and including the maintenance of the Meteorological Observatory.....	275,000 00
Zoological Department—For the keeping, preservation and exhibition of the collection in the Zoological Department of the Central Park, including buildings and repairs used for that purpose.....	30,000 00

Maintenance of Museums—For the keeping, preservation and exhibition of the collection in the American Museum of Natural History and the Metropolitan Museum of Art	\$30,000 00
Music—Central Park and City Parks	20,000 00
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs, Improvements and Maintenance	30,000 00
Walks—For laying new and repairing old walks in the Central Park and the City Parks and Places	20,000 00
Central Park, Transverse Roads—For grading, curbing, paving and maintaining Transverse Roads in Central Park	25,000 00
Riverside Avenue—For the improvement and maintenance of Riverside Avenue	20,000 00
Riverside Park—For the improvement and maintenance of Riverside Park	75,000 00
For erecting new and repairing old cottages	7,500 00
Refreshment Houses—For repairs to buildings used for sale of refreshments on Central Park and City Parks	7,500 00
Telephonic Service—For erecting and maintaining telephonic service for Department	4,000 00
Maintenance—Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards :	
Maintenance and Government of Public Parks, Places, Streets, Roads and Avenues, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, including supplies, salary of Superintendent, and wages of all persons employed on the work	115,000 00

Bronx River Bridges--For the Rebuilding, Repairing and Maintenance of Bridges over the Bronx River, within the city limits.	\$12,500 00
Sewers and Drains--For cleaning and repair- ing sewers and drains in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.	12,500 00
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assess- ment Maps, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards -- For Surveying, Laying-out and Monumenting Twenty-third and Twenty- fourth Wards and the northerly end of Manhattan Island, north of the south side of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, including salaries and wages of all persons employed on the work, and for making and completing maps, Twenty-third and Twenty- fourth Wards, for the use of the Department of Taxes and Assessments.	30,000 00
Incumbrances, Twenty-third and Twenty- fourth Wards, Removal of.	1,000 00
Manhattan Square, Improvement of.	2,500 00
Surveys, Maps and Plans in Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards--For making surveys and maps for the opening of streets and avenues for the use of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, and for mak- ing preliminary suveys and plans not assessable, of projected sewers and drains, including rent of office for engineers; and for making maps for acquiring right of way for building drains.	30,000 00

Rents and Repairs, Department of Public Parks—To pay rents and make repairs of Offices, Stables and Yards for the use of the Department, under agreements entered into by the Comptroller, by order of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.....	\$5,000 00
Jeanette Park—For improving the Park at Coenties Slip, known as Jeanette Park. . . .	25,000 00
Drainage and Irrigation of Parks—For laying new and repairing old drains.....	30,000 00
Construction—For the purpose of constructing incomplete portions of Central and City Parks.....	50,000 00
Steam Road Roller—For the purchase of Steam Road Roller.....	6,300 00
Contingencies—Department of Public Parks..	10,000 00
Paving Roadway at Battery Park.....	7,500 00
Sprinkling Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards—For sprinkling main thoroughfares in Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards	7,500 00
Cromwell's Creek Bridges and Bridges other than those of Harlem river and Bronx river	5,000 00
Bridge and Approaches over Mott Haven Canal at One Hundred and Thirty-eighth Street.....	10,000 00
Riverdale Avenue—Improvement of.....	10,000 00
	<u>\$1,148,800 00</u>

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the foregoing Estimate be and the same is hereby adopted as the Departmental Estimate for the year 1885, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit a copy of the same to each the Board of Estimate and Apportionment and the Board of Aldermen.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

On motion, at 4.50 P. M., the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1884.

REGULAR MEETING—10 A. M.

Present—Commissioner VIELE, President.
“ CRIMMINS,
“ OLLIFFE.

Proposals.

At the hour of ten o'clock Mr. Marsh, the representative of the Comptroller, being present, and the meeting open to the public, the President, in the presence of the representative of the Comptroller and such of the parties making proposals as were present, opened the estimate-box, and publicly opened and read all the estimates or proposals which had been received in accordance with an advertisement duly published in the *City Record* for the following works, namely :

No. 1. For the excavation and removal of earth, rock, and all surplus material from the site of the proposed enlargement of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, in the Central Park, including the approaches, areas, court, boiler, coal and elevator pits, trenches, and sub-way connected therewith, and laying sewer or drain.

No. 2. For regulating, grading, setting curb-stones, flagging the sidewalks four feet wide, and laying crosswalks in Westchester avenue, from the easterly crosswalk of North Third avenue to the easterly curb-line of Prospect avenue.

No. 3. For constructing a sewer and appurtenances in the Southern Boulevard, from North Third avenue to Lincoln avenue.

No. 4. For constructing a sewer and appurtenances in One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, between Boston road and Trinity avenue.

No. 5. For paving with trap-block pavement, the roadway of Willis avenue, from the Southern Boulevard to North Third avenue.

No. 6. For paving with trap-blocks, One Hundred and Forty-third street, from Alexander avenue to Brook avenue.

Table of Bids for the Excavation and Removal of Earth, Rock and all Surplus Materials, from the site of the proposed Enlargement of the Metropolitan Museum of Art in the Central Park, including the Approaches, Areas, Court, Boiler, Coal and Elevator Pits, Trenches and Subway connected therewith, and Laying Sewer or Drain.

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ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2		3		4	
		B. C. MURRAY.		VERGILIO DEL GENOVESE.		JOHN REDMOND.		WM. F. CROFT.	
		Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
Earth excavation	1,200 cu. yds.	\$0 50	\$600 00	\$0 24	\$288 00	\$0 65	\$780 00	\$1 50	\$1,800 00
Rock excavation	11,000 "	1 75	19,250 00	2 74	30,140 00	2 45	26,950 00	2 50	27,500 00
15" vitrified earthenware pipe- drain furnished and laid	150 lin. ft.	2 00	300 00	2 00	300 00	2 25	337 50	2 00	300 00
Totals			\$20,150 00		\$30,728 00		\$28,067 50		\$29,600 00

ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	5		6		7	
		JOHN B. DEVLIN.		JAMES SLATTERY.		G. M. RUSLING AND CHAS. T. FORD, JR.	
		Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
Earth excavation	1,200 cu. yds.	\$0 49	\$588 00	\$0 50	\$600 00	\$0 50	\$600 00
Rock excavation	11,000 "	1 90	20,900 00	2 20	24,200 00	1 80	19,800 00
15" vitrified earthenware pipe drain furnished and laid	150 lin. ft.	90	135 00	50	75 00	1 25	187 50
Totals			\$21,623 00		\$24,875 00		\$20,587 50

Table of Bids for Regulating, Grading, Setting Curb Stones, Flagging the Sidewalks four feet wide, and Laying Crosswalks in Westchester Avenue, from the Easterly Crosswalk of North Third Avenue to the Easterly Curb-line of Prospect Avenue.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2		3		4	
			C. M. LAWSON.		DENNIS W. MORAN.		JOHN MCQUADE.		BERNARD MAHON.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Earth excavation	14,500 cub. yds.	\$0 30	\$4,350 00	\$0 29	\$4,205 00	\$0 25	\$3,625 00	\$0 20	\$2,900 00
2	Rock excavation	18,000 "	1 50	27,000 00	89	16,020 00	1 15	20,700 00	1 25	22,500 00
3	Filling	19,500 "	20	3,900 00	35	6,825 00	25	4,875 00	30	5,850 00
4	New curb-stone furnished and set.	8,000 lin. feet.	52	4,160 00	53	4,240 00	50	4,000 00	50	4,000 00
5	Old curb-stone reset	900 "	03	27 00	09	81 00	03	27 00	05	45 00
6	New flagging furnished and laid	30,000 sq. feet.	20	6,000 00	20½	6,150 00	20	6,000 00	23	6,900 00
7	Old flagging relaid	2,000 "	01	20 00	02	40 00	02	40 00	03	60 00
8	New bridge stones for crosswalks, furnished and laid	13,150 "	50	6,575 00	42	5,523 00	50	6,575 00	44	5,726 00
9	Dry rubble masonry, other than retaining walls	200 cub. yds.	1 50	300 00	1 00	200 00	1 00	200 00	2 00	400 00
10	Time for completion, at \$3 per day		Days. 250	750 00	Days. 200	600 00	Days. 150	450 00	Days. 300	900 00
	Totals	\$53,082 00	...	\$43,884 00	\$46,492 00	\$49,341 00

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Table of Bids for Regulating, Grading, Setting Curb-Stones, Flagging the Sidewalks four feet wide, and Laying Crosswalks in Westchester Avenue, from the Easterly Crosswalk of North Third Avenue to the Easterly Curb-line of Prospect Avenue.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	5		6		7		8		9	
			MATTHEW BAIRD.		JAS. SLATTERY.		MICHAEL CASBY.		B. C. MURRAY.		JOHN B. DEVLIN.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Earth excavation	14,500 cub. yds.	\$0 30	\$4,350 00	\$0 30	\$4,350 00	\$0 80	\$11,600 00	\$0 60	\$8,700 00	\$0 24	\$3,480 00
2	Rock excavation	18,000 "	1 15	20,700 00	1 45	26,100 00	80	14,400 00	90	16,200 00	1 18	21,240 00
3	Filling	19,500 "	35	6,825 00	30	5,850 00	50	9,750 00	25	4,875 00	24	4,680 00
4	New curb-stone furnished and set	8,000 lin. feet.	50	4,000 00	45	3,600 00	1 00	8,000 00	58	4,640 00	54	4,320 00
5	Old curb-stone reset	900 "	08	72 00	10	90 00	10	90 00	10	90 00	04	36 00
6	New flagging furnished and laid	30,000 sq. feet.	22	6,600 00	20	6,000 00	50	15,000 00	23	6,900 00	24	7,200 00
7	Old flagging relaid	2,000 "	05	100 00	08	60 00	10	200 00	02	40 00	03	60 00
8	New bridge-stones for crosswalks furnished and laid	13,150 "	48	6,312 00	40	5,260 00	1 00	13,150 00	48	5,654 50	42	5,523 00
9	Dry rubble masonry, other than retaining walls ...	200 cub. yds.	3 00	600 00	2 00	400 00	5 00	1,000 00	2 00	400 00	72	144 00
10	Time for completion, at \$3 per day .....	.....	Days. 600	1,800 00	Days. 200	600 00	Days. 300	900 00	Days. 190	570 00	Days. 125	675 00
	Totals .....	.....	....	\$51,359 00	....	\$52,310 00	....	\$74,090 00	....	\$48,069 50	....	\$47,135 80

Table of Bids for Constructing a Sewer and Appurtenances in the Southern Boulevard, from North Third Avenue to Lincoln Avenue.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2		3		4	
			MATTHEW BAIRD.		JOHN B. DEVLIN.		DENNIS W. MORAN.		B. C. MURRAY.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Brick sewer, egg-shaped, of all sizes, including rubble masonry, cradle, etc. }	475 lin. feet.	\$11 50	\$5,462 50	\$18 00	\$8,550 00	\$8 00	\$3,800 00	\$12 95	\$6,151 25
2	Spurs for house connections.....	50	25	12 50	60	30 00	10	5 00	60	30 00
3	Manholes, complete.....	7	50 00	350 00	35 00	245 00	65 00	455 00	55 00	385 00
4	Piles driven and cut off.....	7,000 lin. feet (below caps).....	25	1,750 00	25	1,750 00	35	2,450 00	45 00	3,150 00
5	Lumber furnished and laid.....	30,000 ft. (B. M.)	28 00	840 00	40 00	1,200 00	40 00	1,200 00	22 00	660 00
6	Time for completion, at \$4.00 per day.....	.....	Days. 60	240 00	Days. 60	240 00	Days. 50	200 00	Days. 60	240 00
	Totals.....	.....	.....	\$8,655 00	.....	\$12,015 00	.....	\$8,110 00	...	\$10,616 25

Table of Bids for Constructing a Sewer and Appurtenances in One Hundred and Sixty-fifth Street, between Boston Road and Trinity Avenue.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2		3		4		5		6	
			JOSEPH MOORE.		JOHN B. DEVLIN.		JOHN S. MASTERTSON.		B. C. MURRAY.		MICHAEL CASEY.		DENNIS W. MORAN.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	15-in. pipe sewer, including concrete cradle and exclusive of spurs, for house connections . . .	300 lin. ft.	\$3 00	\$900 00	\$4 60	\$1,380 00	\$3 00	\$900 00	\$3 50	\$1,050 00	\$7 00	\$2,100 00	\$2 00	\$600 00
2	12-in. pipe sewer, including concrete cradle and exclusive of spurs, for house connections . . .	275 "	2 60	715 00	4 40	1,210 00	2 95	811 25	3 00	825 00	7 00	1,925 00	1 75	481 25
3	Spurs for house connections, over and above the cost per foot of sewer	55	40	22 00	60	33 00	40	22 00	50	27 50	1 00	55 00	10	5 50
4	Manholes complete.	7	50 00	350 00	35	2 45	42 00	294 00	50 00	350 00	50 00	350 00	65 00	455 00
5	Receiving-basins complete	2	200 00	400 00	1 85	3 70	94 00	188 00	150 00	300 00	200 00	400 00	150 00	300 00
6	Rock to be excavated and removed	500 cub. yds.	3 50	1,750 00	4 00	2,000 00	3 50	1,750 00	3 50	1,750 00	1 00	500 00	5 00	2,500 00
7	Lumber furnished and laid	1,000 ft. (B.M.)	30 00	30 00	35	35	35 00	35 00	20 00	20 00	25 00	25 00	01	01
8	Time for completion, at \$4 per day . . . . .	.....	Days. 100	400 00	Days. 60	240 00	Days. 60	240 00	Days. 60	240 00	Days. 60	240 00	Days. 50	200 00
	Totals . . . . .	.....	.....	\$4,567 00	.....	\$4,869 50	.....	\$4,240 25	.....	\$4,562 50	.....	\$5,595 00	.....	\$4,541 76

Table of Bids for Paving with Trap-block Pavement the Roadway of Willis Avenue, from the Southern Boulevard to North Third Avenue.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2		3		4		5		6	
			CHARLES GUIDET.		DENIS McGRATH.		WM. A. CUMMING.		JOHN B. DEVLIN.		B. C. MURRAY.		BERNARD MAHON.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	New trap-block pavement, exclusive of space occupied by paved gutters.....	20,200 sq. yds.	\$2 44	\$49,2880 0	\$1 73½	\$35,047 00	\$1 93	\$38,986 00	\$2 03	\$41,006 00	\$2 15	\$48,480 00	\$2 05	\$41,410 00
2	Time for completion, at \$3.50 per day.....	.....	Days. 175	612 50	Days. 75	262 50	Days. 57	199 50	Days. 90	315 00	Days. 160	560 00	Days. 75	262 50
	Totals.....	.....	.....	\$49,900 50	.....	\$35,309 50	.....	\$39,185 50	.....	\$41,321 00	.....	\$43,990 00	.....	\$41,672 50

Table of Bids for paving with Trap-blocks One Hundred and Forty-third Street, from Alexander Avenue to Brook Avenue.

No. of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2		3		4		5	
			WM. A. CUMMING.		DENIS McGRATH.		B. C. MURRAY.		JOHN B. DEVLIN.		CHARLES GUIDET.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	New trap-block pavement, exclusive of space occupied by gutter-stones....	4,979 sq. yds.	\$2 23	\$11,103 17	\$1 95	\$9,709 05	\$2 10	\$10,455 90	\$2 03	\$10,107 37	\$2 54	\$12,646 66
2	Time for completion, at \$3.50 per day.....	.....	Days. 30	105 00	Days. 60	210 00	Days. 60	210 00	Days. 40	140 00	Days. 55	192 50
	Totals.....	.....	.....	\$11,208 17	.....	\$9,919 05	.....	\$10,665 90	.....	\$10,247 37	.....	\$12,839 16

On motion, the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

The following communications were received :

Bridge Bonds.

From the Clerk of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment transmitting a copy of the following resolution adopted by said Board :

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and hereby is authorized to issue, from time to time, as may be required, and at such rate of interest as he may determine, not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum, "Stock of the City of New York," to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), for the purpose of providing for the expense of constructing a bridge over the Harlem river, at Madison avenue, as authorized by section 3, chapter 534, Laws of 1871, and section 16, chapter 329, Laws of 1874, and in full of requisition of the Board of Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks, dated September 18, 1884.

Ordered filed.

Police Surgeon to examine applicants.

From the Secretary of the Municipal Service Examining Board, transmitting a copy of a resolution respecting the meaning and intent of Regulation 20 of the Civil Service Regulations.

On motion of Commissioner VIELE, it was,

Resolved, That in accordance with Regulation 20, of the Civil Service Regulations and the communication this day received from the Secretary of the Municipal Examining Board, this Department designate its Police Surgeon to make the examination as therein provided for.

One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street sunken lots.

From the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen transmitting a copy of ordinance for filling sunken lots in One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, between Forest and Tinton avenues.

Referred to the Engineer of Construction.

Inventory.

From the Property Clerk submitting an inventory of the property of the Department under date of July 1, 1884.

Ordered filed.

One Hundred and Seventy-third street—Grade and Monument Maps.

From the Topographical Engineer ;

1st. Reporting in relation to the opening of East One Hundred and Seventy-third street (Warren street).

Commissioner VIELE moved that the Topographical Engineer be directed to prepare grade and monument maps of East One Hundred and Seventy-third street from Topping street to Weeks street, and submit them to the Board for adoption.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Works in progress.

2d. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards.

From the Superintendent Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards :

Parsons, D. S.—For promotion.

1st. Recommending the promotion of Daniel S. Parsons, from laborer to "laborer in sewers."

Ordered filed.

Sprinklers—Employment of.

2d. Reporting that he had employed five additional monitors for sprinkling Jerome avenue during the race days at Jerome Park, and recommending that they be allowed to work overtime when necessary.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the action of the Superintendent Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards in employing extra monitors, be approved, and that the persons em-

ployed in sprinkling Jerome avenue be allowed pay for extra time when their services are required; the wages of the monitors to be fixed at \$10 per day.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Works in progress.

2. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Central Bridge—Superintendent to repair.

From the Superintendent of Parks—Reporting in relation to the work required to put Central Bridge in repair.

Commissioner VIELE moved that the work of repairing Central Bridge be proceeded with in accordance with the recommendations contained in the communication from the Superintendent of Parks, and under his direction, and that he be directed to confer with the Engineer of Construction as to the bracing required to be done.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Engineer of Construction.

From the Engineer of Construction—

One Hundred and Fiftieth street regulating, etc.

1st. Submitting plans and specifications for regulating, grading, etc., One Hundred and Fiftieth street, between North Third and Railroad avenues; for constructing a sewer in Westchester avenue, from Brook avenue to St. Ann's avenue, and for constructing a sewer in Morris avenue, from the sum-

mit between One Hundred and Thirty-ninth and One Hundred and Fortieth streets to North Third avenue.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the plans and specifications for regulating, grading, etc., One Hundred and Fiftieth street, between North Third and Railroad avenues ; constructing sewer in Westchester avenue, from Brook avenue to St. Ann's avenue, etc.; and constructing sewer in Morris avenue, from the summit between One Hundred and Thirty-ninth and One Hundred and Fortieth streets, to North Third avenue, as this day submitted by the Engineer of Construction, be approved and ordered printed, and when so printed and approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation, that the Secretary be directed to insert an advertisement in the *City Record* inviting proposals for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Morris Avenue sewer.

2d. Reporting upon the petition of C. H. and F. J. Otten and others for the construction of a sewer in Morris avenue, from One Hundred and Forty-fourth to One Hundred and Fifty-first streets, and stating that the adopted plans of sewers for that section would not permit of a continuous sewer being built in Morris avenue, between the above-mentioned streets, the plan being for branch sewers in the avenue connecting with the sewers in the streets running westerly into the outlet sewer in Railroad avenue, East.

Ordered filed.

Mott Avenue flagging, etc.

3d. Reporting upon a communication from John G. Haviland, relative to the necessity for repairing the flagging on Mott avenue, from One Hundred and Thirty-eighth to One Hundred and Forty-seventh street, and for regulating and grading

One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, from Mott avenue to One Hundred and Forty-third street, stating that the repairs of the flagging properly belongs to the property owners, there being no fund for such purpose, and that the work of grading One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, could not be done until the grade crossing the railroad is finally established.

Ordered filed.

Riverside Park drainage.

4th. Reporting upon a communication from J. Romaine Brown, respecting the drainage of Riverside Park at One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street and Twelfth avenue, and the damage done by the heavy rain-fall of August 22, 1884.

Referred to the President.

138th street grading, etc.

5th. Reporting the completion of the work of grading, etc., One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, from St. Ann's to College avenue, with the exception of four hundred and fifty feet east of Willis avenue, upon which the grade was changed, and recommending that the Inspector be suspended until the work is resumed, and that an order be given the Contractor to relay a small portion of the flagging east of Willis avenue which was previously laid above the regular grade.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the Inspector on the work of grading One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street be suspended, that the President be requested to confer with Wm. O'Gorman in relation to grading that portion of said street upon which the grade has been changed, and that the Treasurer be authorized to issue an order to the Contractor to relay that portion of the flagging which was laid above the regular grade, at an expense not to exceed \$20.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

148th street—Regulating.
Tower on Karl's Park.

6th. Reporting the near completion of the work of regulating, grading, etc., East One Hundred and Forty-eighth street, and stating the necessity for the early removal of the tower of Karl's Park, between Bergen and Brook avenues, which projects about eleven feet on the line of the street.

Commissioner OLLIFFE moved that the matter be referred to the President with power.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Third avenue sewer—Sheet piling.

7th. Reporting upon the complaint made by Mr. Bryan Lawrence, in relation to the deposit from the Third avenue sewer which is carried to the river in front of his land, and which he has been called upon by the Department of Docks to dredge, and inclosing a diagram, showing the sewers in Third avenue and the outlet, together with the proposed new outlet through the Southern Boulevard and Lincoln avenue.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the Superintendent of Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards be directed to place sheet piling in the Harlem river, around the outlet of the Third avenue sewer, in order that the sewage therefrom may be carried into the current of the river.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

170th street—Opening of.

The PRESIDENT, to whom was referred the report from the Topographical Engineer upon the petition of Henry Zeltner

and others for the opening of One Hundred and Seventieth street, from Railroad avenue to Webster avenue, made a verbal report, and presented a plan and profile, showing the proposed location and grade of said street.

On motion the further consideration of the subject was laid over.

Dawson, Dr. B. F.—Bay-window.

From H. J. Hardenbergh, architect, requesting permission to erect an Oriole window on the dwelling of Dr. B. F. Dawson, No. 3 Fifth avenue.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the consent of this Department is hereby given to the erection of an Oriole window by Dr. B. F. Dawson on the building belonging to him and known as No. 3 Fifth avenue, the same not to project more than two feet beyond the house-line.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Department of Public Works—Sewer in 88th street.

The PRESIDENT brought to the attention of the Board the fact that the sewer in process of construction across Eighth avenue at Eighty-eighth street and into Central Park could not be connected with the sewer in Eighty-eighth street, west of Eighth avenue, until that sewer has been completed to its easterly terminus in accordance with plans on file in the Department of Public Works.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, it was

Resolved, That the Department of Public Works be requested to take immediate action to cause the sewer in West Eighty-eighth street to be constructed to its easterly terminus in accordance with the plans on file in that Department, in order that the sewer now in course of construction by this Department on the westerly side of Central Park

intended for draining into the Eighty-eighth street sewer may be connected therewith.

Morningside Park—Plans for completion.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Architect be and he is hereby directed to prepare and submit to this Board, at its next regular meeting, plans, working drawings and specifications for the granite steps, platform and coping, belt courses, iron girders and railing, brick arching, asphalt pavement and the necessary foundation walls required for the completion of the Morningside Park bays at One Hundred and Eleventh, One Hundred and Twelfth, One Hundred and Thirteenth, One Hundred and Fifteenth, One Hundred and Seventeenth, One Hundred and Nineteenth and One Hundred and Twenty-first streets, and entrances at One Hundred and Tenth and One Hundred and Sixteenth streets.

Laid over.

Audit.

Commissioner CRIMMINS, from the Auditing Committee, presented the following reports :

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bill, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Doherty, H. H. petty expenses,.....	Labor, Maint. and	
	Supplies.....	\$93 09
	Zool. Dept.....	15 19
	Main. 23d and 24th	
	Wards.....	12 94
		<u>\$121 22</u>

Amounting to the sum of one hundred and twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.

(Signed)

JOHN D. CRIMMINS,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, October 1, 1884.

The above-mentioned bill having been read and passed on, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve it, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit it to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

American Supply Co., files and wire...	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$95 10	
	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places	5 50	
			----- \$100 60
Arnold, David P., meat.....	Zoological Dept...		236 60
Barron, Jas. S. & Co., brooms, twine, etc	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$49 12	
	Zoological Dept...	1 88	
	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places	7 50	
	Harlem R. Bdgs..	2 50	
			----- 61 00
Barron, Jas. S. & Co., oak pails.....	Drainage and Irrigation of Central Park.....		4 50
Bayne's 69th Regiment Band, music...	Music		160 00
Bertine, Edwin R., gonfalons.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		140 00
Beck, Louis D., gravel.....	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places		841 50
Brown & Bliss, mantels.....	Mount St. Vincent Refreshment House.....		384 00

Canda & Kane, cement.....	Riverside Park ...	\$129 30	
	Entrances Central Park, at 8th Ave., 77th and 81st Streets....	95 70	
		<hr/>	\$225 00
Coogan, William, monuments.....	Surveying, Laying- out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, 1883.....		538 00
Colgate & Co., soap.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	\$9 67	
	Zoological Dept. ..	1 42	
	Harlem R. Bdgs ..	71	
		<hr/>	11 80
Delamater, C. H. & Co., labor and materials.....	Harlem R. Bdgs..		540 00
Dean, William E., stone.....	Riverside Park...		400 00
Dean, William E., Estimate No. 4.....	Sewer, Lincoln Ave., bet. Har- lem River and 134th St., and in Southern Boule- vard, bet. Lin- coln and Willis Avenues, etc...		1,226 28
Doehler & Ernbach, repairs to furni- ture, etc.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		150 97
Fairbanks & Co., repairs	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....		2 50
Fayerweather & Ladew, lace leather ..	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places		6 30
Ferris, Edwin & Co., salt.....	Zoological Dept... Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$4 00 2 75	
		<hr/>	6 75
Harmer, Hays & Co., ticking, etc.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$7 10	
	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	4 50	
		<hr/>	11 60

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Harlem Gas-light Co., gas	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		\$27 22
Harrison, M., repairs to roofs.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$120 00	
	Zoological Dept. ...	31 20	
		<hr/>	151 20
Herbert, H. L. & Co., coal.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards		11 00
Hoe, R. & Co., saws	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		6 50
Jones, Chas., Estimate No. 9.....	Sewer, Grove St., from Brook to N. 3d Ave., with connecting sew- ers		1,552 25
Keuffel & Esser, plumb bobs.....	Surveys, Maps and Plans.		8 10
McAllister, F. E., pick handles, etc...	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$61 50	
	Riverside Avenue.	20 70	
		<hr/>	82 20
McAllister, F. E., pick handles.....	Entrances, Central Park and City Parks and Places	\$6 50	
	Riverside Park ...	4 50	
		<hr/>	11 00
McArthur, J. & Co., steel brooms.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$35 00	
	Harlem R. Bdgs..	7 00	
		<hr/>	42 00
McNab & Harlin Mfg. Co., plumbing materials.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		21 82
McKesson & Robbins, acids, etc.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$45 32	
	Zoological Dept. ...	2 25	
		<hr/>	47 57
Masterson, John S., building basins...	Sewers and Drains.		514 00
Marquand, H. G., Treas., expenses, September.....	Maint. Museums..		1,621 74
Metropolis Oil Co., oil.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$18 65	
	Walks, Central Park and City Parks and Places	3 90	
	Harlem R. Bdgs..	16 25	
		<hr/>	33 80

Mahon, Bernard, payment on acceptance.....	Sewer, 149th St., bet. Brook and Robbins Aves...	\$4,043 24
The Metropolitan Gas-light Co., gas ..	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	61 88
The Mica Roofing Co., paving cement..	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places	755 69
Mitchell, A. H. & Bro., hay.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	19 91
Mitchell, A. H. & Bro., hay, etc	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	54 98
Morse, James O., scoop and pipe....	Drainage and Irri- gation, Central Park.....	22 18
Moran, Dennis W., payment on accept- ance	Central Park, Transverse Rds.	3,239 08
Moran, Dennis W., Estimate No. 2...	Regulating, etc., 148th St., from east curb-line N. 3d Avenue, to west curb-line St. Ann's Ave..	1,335 78
Mott, J. L., Iron Works, grate-bars...	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places.....	21 78
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, gratings, etc.....	Riverside Park...	183 60
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, settees, etc.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$627 00
	Harlem R. Bdgs..	29 58
	Riverside Park...	64 80
	Drainage and Irri- gation of Central Park.....	1 25
		<hr/> 722 63
Moffat, David & Co., harness leather..	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	8 29
Murray, Thomas, labor and materials..	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	667 00

New, T., coal tar, etc.....	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places.....	\$31 20
New York Wood Turning Co., pine plugs.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	3 50
The New York Mutual Gas-light Co., gas.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	46 13
Nesbit's Sons, John, brick.....	Riverside Park...	21 75
Nesbit's Sons, John, cement, etc.....	Drainage and Irrig- ation of Central Park.....	14 10
O'Donnell & Treanor, coal.....	Zoological Dept... Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	\$10 00 63 74
	Entrances Central Park, at 8th Ave., 77th and 81st Streets....	2 75
	Riverside Avenue.	1 38
	Riverside Park...	1 38
	Harlem R. Bldgs..	2 75
		<hr/> 82 00
Otis & Gorsline, pipe and bands.....	Sewers and Drains.	80 00
O'Brien, M., milk.....	Zoological Dept...	14 88
Pratt Manufacturing Co., astral oil....	Maint 23d & 24th Wards.....	8 38
Perkins, Jas. H., security.....	Regulating Alex- ander Ave., from Southern Boule- vard to N. 3d Avenue.....	2,100 80
Pridgeon's Hamilton Bakery, bread....	Zoological Dept..	55 80
Pioneer Iron Works, tar boiler, etc....	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places.....	368 66
Pownall, Wm. M., labor.....	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	15 00
Pope & Klie, vegetables, etc.....	Zoological Dept...	23 37
Raynolds, C T. & Co., paints, etc.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	344 46

Raynolds, C. T. & Co., paints, etc.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	\$22 25
Robitzek, G. & Bros., coal.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	67 50
Rubber Clothing Co., hood and apron..	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	7 20
Steers Bros., posts and pine.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	112 32
Steers, Bros., stakes.....	Surveying, laying- out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps.....	\$14 25
	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	27 50
		<hr/> 41 75
Steers Bros., stakes.....	Central Park, Transverse Rds.	24 00
Seymour, W. N. & Co., screws, etc....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	18 51
Seymour, W. N. & Co., spikes.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	17 40
Seaman, W. L., rope.....	Drainage and Irri- gation, of Cen- tral Park.....	10 16
Smith, Clifford E., bolts.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	5 48
Sloan, W. & J., carpet.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	5 00
Schoonmaker, S. A. & Co., paints, etc..	Riverside Park...	10 95
Scott, D., fish.....	Zoological Dept...	10 85
White, Chas. W., lumber.....	Riverside Park...	64 00
White, Chas. W. spruce and oak.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	\$20 28
	Harlem R. Bdgs..	57 50
		<hr/> 77 78
Wiegand, Chas., stone boats.....	Entrances Central Park, at 8th Ave., 77th and 81st Streets....	30 00

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RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.....	\$2,122 17
Walks, Central Park and City Parks and Places.....	2,042 03
Zoological Department.....	392 25
Harlem River Bridges.....	656 29
Riverside Park, Improvement of.....	879 78
Street Improvements.....	10,258 30
Drainage and Irrigation of Central Park.....	52 19
Sewers and Drains.....	594 00
Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	64 80
Music.....	160 00
Mount St. Vincent Refreshment House.....	384 00
Entrances Central Park, at Eighth Avenue, Seventy-seventh and Eighty-first Streets.....	134 95
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, etc.....	14 25
Maintenance Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards....	848 51
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, etc., 1883.....	538 00
Riverside Avenue.....	22 08
Central Park, Transverse Roads.....	3,263 08
Maintenance Museums.....	1,621 74
	<u>\$24,048 42</u>

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of twenty-four thousand and forty-eight dollars and forty-two cents.

(Signed)

JOHN D. CRIMMINS,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, October 1, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the President moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

McAvoy, Luke, } Restored.
Shandly, Peter, }

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That Luke McAvoy and Peter Shandly be and they are hereby restored to duty as laborers.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Nugent, John—Appointed.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That John Nugent be and he is hereby appointed a laborer on drainage.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Carpenters—Extra time on Central Bridge.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That pay be allowed the following persons for extra time made by them while employed in repairing the Central Bridge :

Peter Long, Carpenter, three hours.
James Mulvany, Carpenter, four hours.
Owen McLoughlin, Carpenter, two hours.
George Logan, Carpenter, three hours.
Martin Larkin, Carpenter, three hours.
John Mead, Carpenter, three hours.
Edward Tracy, Carpenter, three hours.
Nicholas Huntz, Carpenter, three hours.
Michael Ferris, Laborer, three hours.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Civil Service—Reappointments.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That in accordance with Regulation XVIII. of the Civil Service Regulations, the following-named persons are hereby appointed to the positions set opposite their names respectively, subject to the further pleasure of this Board :

James J. Clark, Gatekeeper.
John Curren, Inspector.
W. G. Esselmont, Foreman.
James Frawley, Gatekeeper,
David Heilferty, Gatekeeper.
Matthew McInerny, Gatekeeper.
Robert Montgomery, Inspector.
Bernard P. Woods, Foreman.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Church, W. S.—Leave of absence.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the action of this Board at its last meeting in suspending Assistant Engineer W. S. Church be and the same is hereby reconsidered, and that Assistant Engineer Church be and he is hereby granted leave of absence without pay until January 1, 1885.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Contracts—Award of.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That contracts for work for which proposals were this day received and opened, be awarded, as follows :

No. 1. For the excavation and removal of earth, rock, and all surplus material from the site of the proposed enlargement of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, in the Central Park, including the approaches, areas, court, boiler, coal and elevator pits, trenches, and sub-way connected therewith, and laying sewer or drain.

B. C. Murray \$20,150 00

No. 2. For regulating, grading, setting curb-stones, flagging the sidewalks four feet wide, and laying crosswalks in Westchester avenue, from the easterly crosswalk of North Third avenue to the easterly curb-line of Prospect avenue.

Dennis W. Moran \$43,884 00

No. 3. For constructing a sewer and appurtenances in the Southern Boulevard, from North Third avenue to Lincoln avenue.

Dennis W. Moran \$8,110 00

No. 4. For constructing a sewer and appurtenances in One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, between Boston road and Trinity avenue.

John S. Masterson \$4,240 25

No. 5. For paving with trap-block pavement, the roadway of Willis avenue, from the Southern Boulevard to North Third avenue.

Denis McGrath \$35,309 50

No. 6. For paving with trap-blocks, One Hundred and Forty-third street, from Alexander avenue to Brook avenue.

Denis McGrath \$9,919 05

—they being the lowest bidders for said several works ; that the proposals be sent to the Comptroller for his approval of sureties ; when so approved, that contracts be entered into with the aforementioned parties for doing said several works, and that the President be authorized to sign said contracts on behalf of the Department, and appoint Inspectors on the works when they are required.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Webster avenue—Piling.

The President presented a communication from the Engineer of Construction, in relation to the work of piling necessary to be done in constructing the Webster avenue sewer, and called attention to the clause in the contract in relation to the matter.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved. That the President be requested to confer with the Counsel to the Corporation as to the powers of this Department under the contract for constructing a sewer in Webster avenue, and, if in his opinion this Department is empowered so to do, that the President be authorized to direct the Engineer to order the contractor to proceed with such piling as the Engineer shall deem necessary, at such price as may be determined upon between the contractor and the Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes--Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Treasurer sell stone on Warren street.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to sell at public auction the surplus stone and material removed from the surface of Warren street.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

On motion, at 12.50 P. M., the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1884.

REGULAR MEETING—10 A. M.

Present—Commissioner VIELE, President.

“ CRIMMINS.

“ OLLIFFE.

On motion, the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

Opening of streets in
Fordham Heights }
Boscobel } Districts.
Kingsbridge }

Fordham Morris appeared before the Board and presented a petition signed by N. P. Bailey, S. L. M. Barlow and Mary A. Peck, property-owners, asking that certain streets and avenues in the Fordham Heights, Boscobel and Kingsbridge district be monumented and proper grades established.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer.

Streets at Riverdale— Location of.

B. C. Martin appeared and was heard in relation to the location of roads at Riverdale in the 24th Ward, asking that the lines of certain streets be changed and the work of monumenting the same be discontinued.

On motion of Commissioner OLLIFFE, the work of monumenting in that vicinity was ordered discontinued.

E. D. Randolph appeared in relation to the inaccurate monumenting of roads and avenues on his property at Riverdale and asking that the same be corrected.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, the Topographical Engineer was directed to make tests of the monuments at the point complained of and correct any inaccuracies that may be found.

The following communications were received :

5th avenue encroachments.

From the Deputy Commissioner of Public Works, inclosing a communication from Stephen A. Walker, attorney for Park & Tilford, asking for the removal of buildings standing beyond the house-line on the east line of 5th avenue, between 59th and 60th streets.

Ordered filed.

Museum of Art—Closing of.

From the Secretary of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, stating the intention of the Trustees to close the Museum Building on 15th inst., to arrange for their loan exhibition.

Ordered filed.

Livery Stable Keepers' Association—Hacks in Park.

From the New York Livery Stable Keepers' Association, asking that the Park Ordinances respecting vehicles carrying signs, etc., be enforced.

On motion, the Secretary was directed to request the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation as to the powers of this Department in the matter.

Charles Jones—Assignments.

From James Kearney, attorney, submitting for the approval of this Department assignments made by Charles Jones to James J. Jones of the following contracts :

Building bays and entrances to Morningside Park.

Building sewer in Webster avenue, with branches, etc.

Building sewer in Grove street, with branches, etc.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the consent of this Department to said assignments of the three contracts and the money due or to become due under the same be and the same is hereby given, and that the President be authorized to sign such assent on behalf of this Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Morningside Park entrance.

From the Architect, submitting working drawings, specifications and form of contract for the erection of granite steps, platforms, iron railings, brick arches, etc., to complete all the bays and three entrances on Morningside Park, with an estimate of the cost.

Laid over.

Morningside Park—Suspension of Inspector.

From the Architect, reporting the completion of the contract with Charles Jones for constructing bays and entrances on Morningside Park, and the suspension of the Inspector on said contract.

On motion, the action of the Architect in suspending the Inspector on Morningside Park bays and entrances was approved.

Crook, Henry—Suspension.

From the Engineer of Construction :

1st. Reporting the suspension of Henry Crook, laborer, for irregularity.

Approved.

Morris ave. and 139th street crosswalk.

2d. Recommending that a crosswalk be laid on the east line of Morris avenue, at One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street, to the crosswalk along the west side of North Third avenue, the same being required to complete the system of walks at that point.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the Treasurer be authorized to issue an order for laying the crosswalk as recommended by the Engineer of Construction.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Sewer, 88th street.

3d. Enclosing a communication from the Engineer in Charge of Sewers of the Department Public Works, stating that no action can be taken by that Department to complete the sewer in West 88th street to its easterly terminus, the present sewer being sufficient for sewerage purposes, but that there would be no objection should this Department desire to complete the same to conform to the sewer now being constructed across 8th avenue, and reporting an estimate of the cost of extending the sewer across 8th avenue to connect with the 88th street sewer to be about \$375.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the Treasurer be authorized to issue an order to the contractor for constructing sewer across 8th avenue, to extend said sewer to connect with the present sewer in 88th street.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Grove street sewer—Overtime.

4th. Reporting in relation to the overtime of forty-one days in the completion of the contract for the Grove street system of sewers, and recommending that the penalty for twenty-six days of the overtime charged against the contractor be remitted.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the penalty for twenty-six days of the overtime charged against the contractor for constructing the Grove street system of sewers, be and the same is hereby remitted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Robbins avenue sewer.

5th. Submitting plans and specifications for a sewer to be constructed in Robbins avenue, between 149th street and Webster avenue, with branches, etc.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the plans and specifications for constructing a sewer in Robbins avenue, between 149th street and Webster avenue, with branches, etc., as this day submitted by the Engineer of Construction, be approved and ordered printed, and when so printed and approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation, that the Secretary be directed to insert advertisements in the *City Record* inviting proposals for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Topographical Engineer.

Washington avenue—Widening of.

From the Topographical Engineer :

1st. Reporting upon a remonstrance from Adolph Speck, F. Cordes and others against the proposed grading and widening of Washington avenue, below East 167th street.

Laid over.

Washington avenue—Filling in.

2d. Reporting upon a protest from Edward Baker and others against the filling in of Washington avenue, between East 166th street and East 167th street, to the established grade.

Laid over.

159th street—Grade of.

3d. Submitting a plan and profiles showing the proposed change in the grades of East 159th street, from Courtland avenue to Railroad avenue, East, and of Railroad avenue, East, from East 158th street to East 160th street, said plan and profiles having been on exhibition in his office in accordance with a notice in the *City Record*, and to which no objection had been made.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That under and by virtue of the powers conferred on the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York, by chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, they do hereby establish the grades of that portion of East 159th street, from Courtland avenue to Railroad avenue, East, and of that portion of Railroad avenue, East, from East 158th street to East 160th street, as shown on a map or plan, entitled "Plan and profiles showing the grades of East 159th street, from Courtland avenue to Railroad avenue, East, and Railroad avenue, East, from East 158th street to East 160th street, in the 23d Ward of the City of New York," dated "New York, October 9, 1884," and signed "S. F. Chalfin, Topographical Engineer, Department of Public Parks," the same being such as said Commissioners, or a majority of them, deem most conducive to the public good,

and that the President be and he is hereby designated and directed to have prepared and to certify and file three similar plans or profiles of the same, in pursuance of the provisions of the law above cited.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Works in progress.

4th. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Classification of streets—23d Ward.

5th. Submitting a map or plan for the classification of certain unclassified streets and avenues, or portions thereof, bounded on the east by the Long Island Sound, on the west by 161st street, on the north by St. Ann's avenue, and on the south by Railroad avenue, East.

On motion, the Secretary was directed to insert a notice in the *City Record* for ten days, inviting persons interested in the proposed classification of said streets and avenues to call at the office of the Topographical Engineer and examine the plan showing the same, and make known their objections thereto.

Police sub-station.

From the Superintendent of Parks, in relation to the removal of the police sub-station in Central Park, and stating that the water-closets, urinals and basins at the old sub-station might be used elsewhere.

Referred to the President.

Supt. 23d and 24th Wards.

From the Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards :

Temporary suspensions.

1st. Reporting the temporary suspension of men and teams during stormy weather.

Approved.

Works in progress.

2d. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Edgecombe road.

From Jno. J. Macklin, asking that Edgecombe road, excepting so much thereof as is included within the limits of a proposed park, above 155th street and west of Edgecombe road, be continued as a public drive.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the Public Drive or Edgecombe road, laid down on a map filed by the Commissioners of the Central Park on the 25th day of May, 1869, and altered on a map filed by the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks on the 12th day of March, 1881, as one of the streets, roads and avenues of the City of New York, shall continue to be known as one of the streets, roads or avenues of said city, excepting so much thereof as is included within the limits of a proposed park on the west side of the Harlem river, north of 155th street, shown on a map filed by the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks on the 16th day of April, 1884.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Streets, Spuyten Duyvil District—Monumenting.

From Wm. Allen Butler, B. C. Wetmore, and others, petitioning for the opening of a certain street of the first

class, shown on the map of the Spuyten Duyvil District, also on a diagram submitted by them.

On motion, the Topographical Engineer was directed to proceed with the work of monumenting the same.

Cogswell, Dr. H. D.—Presenting fountain.

Dr. Henry D. Cogswell appeared before the Board, offering to present a free drinking-fountain to the Department, provided the same be maintained at public expense as a free ice-water drinking-fountain.

Referred to the President to report.

Music—Circular W. S. Tisdale.

Commissioner CRIMMINS presented a circular signed "W. S. Tisdale, manager," and purporting to be issued from "Office of Vol. Committee on Music in Central Park, 21 Park Place, N. Y.," in relation to the music in the Central Park, on Sundays, and stated that it had been represented to him that subscriptions had been obtained upon said circular from some of the most prominent business men of this city, upon the assurance to them that the subscriptions so obtained were to be used in influencing the Commissioners in continuing the music in the Central Park; and in connection therewith offered the following:

Whereas, The circular as this day presented by Commissioner Crimmins signed by W. S. Tisdale, manager, and dated from the so-called office of the "Vol. Committee on Music in Central Park," is one wholly without the sanction or approval of this Department, and its existence is a surprise to the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks. That the music as furnished at the Central Park is wholly paid for by the city and is in no manner promoted or encouraged by private subscriptions; therefore,

Resolved, That the Commissioners governing the Department of Public Parks disclaim all knowledge of the origin or originators of this circular and warn the public that it is wholly unauthorized by the Department, and that any contributions they may make in behalf of said circular has no connection in any respect with the music on the Central Park and the public.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said preamble and resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Audit.

Commissioner CRIMMINS, from the Auditing Committee, presented the following reports :

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

The J. L. Mott Iron Works, castings, etc	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	\$288 99
Starke, Caspar, harness repairs.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	33 35
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		\$322 34

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Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.....	\$288 99
Maintenance Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards	33 35
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	\$322 34

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of three hundred and twenty-two dollars and thirty-four cents.

(Signed)

JOHN D. CRIMMINS,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, October 15, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

American Supply Co., waste.....	Harlem R. Bdgs..	\$10 00
Allen, O'Grady & Co., Estimate No. 2..	Sewer, Wash- ton Avenue, bet. Brook Ave. and 169th Street....	4,853 98
Arnold, David P., meat	Zoological Dept...	236 60
Bayne's 69th Regiment Band, music ..	Music.....	160 00
Brady, James, labor and materials	Mount St. Vincent Refreshment House	277 00
Brady, James, labor and materials....	Mount St. Vincent Refreshment House	967 00
Cappa, C. A., music.....	Music	920 00
Chalfin, S. F., petty expenses.....	Surveying, Laying- out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps	\$88 57
	Surveys, Maps and Plans	4 09
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		92 66
Croft, William F., security.....	Sewer, 149th St., bet. Mill Brook and Courtland Aves., etc.....	294 04
Croft, William F., security.....	Sewer, 138th St., bet. Willis and Brook Avenues, etc	248 28
Eagan, Michael, security.....	Sewer, 148th St., bet. Mill Brook and Courtland Aves.....	352 34

Frazer Lubricator Co., axle grease.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$9 50
The Gutta Percha and Rubber Mfg. Co. hose.....	Zoological Dept..	33 87
Harlem Gas-light Co., gas.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	27 67
The Hazard Powder Co., fuse.....	Riverside Park ...	1 43
Harmer, Hays & Co., parts of harness..	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	9 00
Harrison, M., leaders	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	28 35
Jones, Chas., payment of acceptance..	Sewer, Grove St., bet. N. 3d and Brook Avenues, with connecting sewers.....	12,338 61
McQuade, John, Estimate No. 16	Const. Bdgs. over Harlem River..	2,935 80
McQuade, John, Estimate No. 27.....	Const. Bdgs. over Harlem River..	2,552 34
McGrath, Dennis, security.....	Sewer, 145th St., bet. N. 3d and College Aves...	86 56
McNab & Harlin Mfg. Co., steam cocks..	Harlem R. Bdgs..	2 50
McAllister, F. E., lawn rakes.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	24 00
McLaughlin, James, sand	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places.....	40 00
Masterson, John S., security.....	Sewer, 144th St., bet. N. 3d and College Aves...	58 86
The Metropolitan Gas-light Co., gas ...	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	64 35
The Mica Roofing Co., paving cement..	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places.....	382 48
Morgan, J. P., Treas., Pay-roll Museum Natural History.....	Maint. Museums..	344 50
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, wash stands, etc.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	133 55
Moran, D. W., labor and materials ...	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	261 71

Moran, D. W., labor and materials	Sewer, 138th St., bet. Willis and Brook Aves		\$7 50
Murray, Thos., security	Regulating, etc., Depot Pl., bet. Sedgwick Ave. and N. Y. C. & H. R. R.		56 00
Murray, B. C., security	Regulating, etc., 155th St., from Elton to Court- land Ave.		248 25
The New York Mutual Gas-light Co., gas	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		86 90
Nesbit's Sons, John, lath.	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards		3 00
O'Brien, M., milk.	Zoological Dept.		14 40
Pierson & Co., iron	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		11 05
Pridgeon's Hamilton Bakery, bread	Zoological Dept.		54 00
Pope & Klie, vegetables, etc.	Zoological Dept.		21 80
Porter's Sons, William, lamp globes	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$7 75	
	Harlem R. Bdgs.	20 25	
			28 00
Reiche, Chas. & Bro., bird food	Zoological Dept.		12 00
Robitzek, G. & Bros., coal	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places		18 75
Robitzek, G. & Bros., coal	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards		67 50
Robitzek, G. & Bros., coal	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places	\$45 00	
	Harlem R. Bdgs.	26 25	
			71 25
Simmons, John, caps and pipe	Harlem R. Bdgs.	\$59 00	
	Riverside Park	60	
			59 60
Schoonmaker, S. A. & Co., asphaltum	Labor, Maint. and Supplies		10 00
Scott, D., fish	Zoological Dept.		10 50
			<u>\$28.472 48</u>

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Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.....	\$362 12	
Zoological Department.....	383 17	
Riverside Park.....	2 03	
Walks, Central Park and City Parks and Places.....	486 23	
Harlem River Bridges.....	118 00	
Maintenance Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards...	332 21	
Mount St. Vincent Refreshment House.....	1,244 00	
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, etc.....	88 57	
Street Improvements.....	18,539 42	
Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	4 09	
Construction Bridges over Harlem River.....	5,488 14	
Music.....	1,080 00	
Maintenance Museums.....	344 50	
		<u>\$28,472 48</u>

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of twenty-eight thousand four hundred and seventy-two dollars and forty-eight cents.

(Signed)

JOHN D. CRIMMINS,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, October 15, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bill, and submit the same to the Board for approval:

Bouker, John A., Estimate No. 1. Maint. 23d and 24th Wards.. \$7,672 50

Amounting to the sum of seventy-six hundred and seventy-two dollars and fifty cents.

(Signed)

JOHN D. CRIMMINS,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, October 15, 1884.

The above-mentioned bill having been read and passed on, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve it, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit it to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Rod and Reel Association Tournament.

On motion of Commissioner OLLIFFE, it was

Resolved, That permission be and hereby is given to the National Rod and Reel Association to hold their annual tournament on the Harlem Meer in Central Park on Wednesday and Thursday, October 22 and 23, 1884.

St. John, P. W.—To promote.

From the Superintendent of Parks, recommending that Assistant Foreman P. W. St. John, in charge of the second division of Central Park be promoted to the rank and pay of foreman.

Laid over.

Morningside Park—Final Estimate.

Commissioner CRIMMINS, from the Auditing Committee, presented an estimate prepared by the Architect, amounting \$26,750.00, for the final payment on the contract of Chas. Jones, for constructing bays and entrances on Morningside Park, and offered the following :

Resolved, That five per cent. of the amount of the final estimate as this day presented for labor and material under the contract for constructing bays and entrances on Morningside Park be retained for sixty days from this date, and that all penalty for excess of time under said contract be remitted, and that the estimate be approved and transmitted to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Dooley, J. C.—Restoration.

From the Engineer of Construction reporting the suspension of Foreman Jno. C. Dooley for neglect of duty.

The PRESIDENT reported that he had examined into the matter of the suspension of Foreman Dooley and moved that he be restored to duty.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Refreshment-house—Windows and wash-basin.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the Treasurer be authorized to issue orders for constructing two small windows and erecting wash-stands in the new Refreshment Building in the Central Park.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Police Trials.

The PRESIDENT reported that in the absence of Commissioner Wales he had investigated certain charges preferred against Park and Gate Keepers, and recommended that the charges against the following persons be dismissed with reprimand :

Parkkeeper Thos. J. O'Connor, charged with being off post.

Parkkeeper David Heilferty, charged with absence from roll-call.

Parkkeeper John Lyons, charged with absence from roll-call.

Parkkeeper Thomas McGuire, charged with absence from roll-call.

Parkkeeper John Mackey, charged with absence without leave.

Parkkeeper Edwd. J. Dougherty, charged with absence without leave.

Parkkeeper Edwd. Murray, charged with absence without leave.

Gatekeeper S. J. Vredenburgh, charged with absence without leave.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said recommendation, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Estimates.

The Treasurer presented the following estimates :

175th street crosswalks.

1st. For laying crosswalks at 175th street and Railroad avenue—

John S. Masterson	70 cents per square foot.
James Slattery	65 cents " "
B. C. Murray	60 cents " "

165th street—Sunken lots.

2d. For filling sunken lots at 165th street and Forest avenue—

B. C. Murray.....	63 cents per cubic yard.
James Slattery	60 cents " "
John S. Masterson	45 cents " "

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the Treasurer be authorized to issue orders to the lowest bidders for doing each of said works.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Madison Avenue Bridge—Lamp-posts.

The Treasurer, who was authorized on August 6, 1884, to issue an order for the erection of lamp-posts on the Madison Avenue Bridge, stated that the J. L. Mott Iron Works had declined to accept the order.

Whereupon, Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that an order be issued to J. B. & J. M. Cornell, the next lowest bidder, for erecting the lamp-posts required, at the price of \$9.40 each as named in their bid.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Parsons, John E.,
Strong, Theron G., } Bills of.
Beekman Henry R., }

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the bills of John E. Parsons, Esq., Theron G. Strong, Esq., and Henry R. Beekman, Esq., for services as counsel in the matter of John Noble Stearns and others against the Commissioners of the Department.

On motion, said bills were laid over until the return of Commissioner Wales.

Skate Building—Estimates.

The following estimates for the erection of a skate building in Central Park were received :

Edward Gustaveson..	\$15,900 00
R. Westbrook Myers & Co.	10,550 00
Thomas Overington	9,809 50
Earl Lee..	9,985 00
William F. Croft	9,349 00
M. Magrath.	7,932 50

On motion, the further consideration of said estimates was laid over.

Minutes.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Twiggs, C. L., Jr.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the appointment of C. L. Twiggs, Jr., as Engineer on Madison Avenue Bridge, before notice of his examination by the Civil Service Board was received by this Department was a necessity, the services of an engineer being essential to the operating of the bridge for the accommodation of public travel and navigation of the Harlem river.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Transfer.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to transfer the following sums from appropriations made for the year 1884, for which they are not required :

Transverse Roads, Central Park	\$4,000 00
Drainage and Irrigation, Central Park	2,000 00
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	\$6,000 00
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—to the appropriation made for Riverside Park for the year 1884, which is insufficient.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Morningside Park—Plans of entrances, etc.

Commissioner CRIMMINS called up the plans presented this day by the Architect, for the erection of granite steps, etc., Morningside Park, and offered the following :

Resolved, That the plans, specifications and form of contract, for the erection of granite steps, platforms, iron railings, brick arches, etc., to complete all the bays and three entrances on Morningside Park, as this day submitted by the Architect, be approved and ordered printed, and when so printed and approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation, that the Secretary be directed to insert advertisements in the *City Record*, inviting proposals for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Transfer of laborers from Parks to Morningside Park.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That sixty laborers be transferred from the Maintenance force of Central and City Parks to the work of excavating for steps at the entrances on Morningside Park.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Horgan, John, appointed.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That John Horgan be and he is hereby appointed a laborer on the Maintenance force of Parks.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Departmental Estimates. }
Resume of Testimony. }
Print as Document. }

The PRESIDENT presented a statement prepared by him in explanation of the different items in the Departmental Estimate for the year 1885.

Ordered, That said statement, together with the resume of the testimony in the matter of John Noble Stearns and others against the Commissioners of the Department, as prepared by counsel, be printed as a Document of this Board, and that copies of the same be transmitted to the Members of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

See Document No. 96.

On motion, at 12.40 P. M., the Board adjourned to meet on Saturday next, 18th inst., at 1.30 P. M.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

DOCUMENT No. 96.

BOARD

OF THE

Department of Public Parks.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1884.

The **PRESIDENT** presented a statement, prepared by him, in explanation of the different items in the Departmental Estimate for the year 1885.

Ordered, That said statement, together with the resume of the testimony in the matter of John Noble Stearns, and others, against the Commissioners of the Department, as prepared by Counsel, be printed as a document of this Board, and that copies of the same be transmitted to the members of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

SALARIES.

To pay the salaries of the President, Clerks, Engineers, Architects, Superintendent, and all employees of the Department, excepting Mechanics, Gardeners, Carts, Teams, the Laboring Force and Foremen employed in the work of maintaining the Parks and Places; also excepting the Topographical Engineer and his Assistants in charge of Surveying, Monumenting, etc., Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, and also excepting the Superintendent and Engineer in charge of Public Places, Roads, Avenues and Bridges, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards \$45,000 00

The estimate for salaries is increased this year, for the reason that the Finance Department has decided that all salaries should be charged to this account, whereas in former estimates salaries were regarded as chargeable to the various works in the execution of which the duties of the salaried officers were from time to time performed. The amount asked for is required to pay the salaried officers now in the Department.

POLICE.

Salaries of Captains, Surgeons, Sergeants, Roundsmen, Patrolmen, Gatekeepers, Special Keepers and Police Tailors, and for the Purchase of Uniforms and Supplies. \$190,000 00

The estimate for Police is increased this year in consequence of the imperative necessity for an increase of the force. This force is not so large as it was when the popula-

tion of the city was much less than it is now, and the park area more restricted in extent. The duties of the Park police force embrace a wider range of official functions than those of the municipal police, while the area over which they are required to exercise unremitting vigilance is much greater in proportion to the number of men employed. The possibilities of accident, of violations of law, of personal injury and loss of life are such that the Board feels it to be an unquestioned duty to ask for this increase.

LABOR, MAINTENANCE AND SUPPLIES.

For all supplies and wages of all persons employed on works of maintenance, excepting those employed in the Zoological Department, and including the maintenance of the Meteorological Observatory \$275,000 00

The amount asked for maintenance is the lowest that, consistent with a proper care of the Parks, can be appropriated. Much needed repairs were left undone during the past year that should have been done for want of adequate means. The very large amount of perishable material used in the original construction of the Parks, and the long neglect that had caused a marked deterioration in the various structures (many of which have been renovated during the past two years), demand judicious expenditure upon them as a simple question of economy, while the very great increase in the use of the Parks by all classes of citizens necessarily involves a wear and tear that must be provided for each year.

ZOOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT.

For the keeping, preservation and exhibition of the collection in the Zoological Department of the Central Park, including buildings and repairs used for that purpose \$30,000 00

The Zoological Collection has acquired an interest among the people this year that it never possessed before. The

crowds that throng the passage-ways, and pass around the buildings occupied by the unique and varied specimens of animated nature, are at times so dense as to almost prevent locomotion. No spot in the city seems to possess such attractions for strangers and out-of-town visitors, as well as our own residents, young and old. Many valuable specimens are constantly being added as gifts from public-spirited citizens, both at home and abroad. Their proper care, and a proper regard for the public, demands improved accommodations. Those now existing are old, and in a measure inadequate.

MUSIC.

Central Park and City Parks \$20,000 00

This year has witnessed a new departure in the facilities afforded to the public for the enjoyment of music in the Parks. The immense throngs of orderly citizens that have been present at the weekly concerts testify to the large place that this divine art holds in the hearts of the community. Believing that the public concerts have a direct and powerful agency in elevating the taste and moral tone of all classes, while productive of the highest degree of mental enjoyment, at a season of the year when such recreation is most needed by the people, the Board regards the amount asked for as none too great for the purpose.

HARLEM RIVER BRIDGES.

Repairs, Improvements and Maintenance \$30,000 00

The addition of one more bridge to the transit facilities over the Harlem river (the Madison Avenue Bridge) calls for an increase in the appropriation for this purpose for their care, maintenance and repair. The old structures are still in a condition far from satisfactory, and need constant vigilance and repairs to prevent accidents. The increase of river traffic brings with it increased necessities of service and

increased accidents, from the carelessness or ignorance of boatmen. The amount asked for cannot with safety be diminished.

WALKS.

For laying new and repairing old walks in the Central Park and the City Parks and Places..... \$20,000 00

The appropriation last year for this purpose was wholly inadequate. The many specimens of pavement that have from time to time been laid in all the Parks develop yearly their experimental and inferior character, and must be replaced by those which have stood the test most satisfactorily. The chances of accident to pedestrians, involving the risk of actions against the city, and consequent damages, require that these walks should be kept in a proper condition.

CENTRAL PARK, TRANSVERSE ROADS.

For grading, curbing, paving and maintaining Transverse Roads in Central Park..... \$25,000 00

The one remaining transverse road, of the four that cross the Park, yet unpaved, requires to be graded, curbed and paved for the use demanded of it. The building-up of the city has reached this portion of the Park, and the public now require the use of all these roads as much, if not more, than that of any street or avenue in the city. There being only four means of transit from one side of the city to the other, for two miles and a half, is sufficient of itself to demonstrate this fact, without any need of argument.

RIVERSIDE AVENUE.

For the improvement and maintenance of Riverside Avenue \$20,000 00

This avenue is now established, by its constant use, with a throng of vehicles, from morning until night, as one of the

most favorite park drives of the city. The salubrity of the air, the grand and extensive views, and the excellent character of the road-bed, cause its selection by a very large class of citizens in preference to any drive, in or out of a park, and those who, through the amount of their taxes, pay the most for its maintenance, are the most earnest in a desire for its proper care. The appropriation last year was inadequate, and had to be added to by transfer.

RIVERSIDE PARK.

For the improvement and maintenance of Riverside Park	<u>\$75,000 00</u>
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The work on Riverside Park has been continued during the past season in accordance with the adopted plan, but with some disadvantages, in consequence of the limited appropriation.

Wherever this Park has been even partially completed it has been resorted to in great numbers by the people during the past summer, and the peculiar advantages afforded for the cool breezes and fresh air derived from its contiguity to the river, make it a favorite Park of the people.

The appropriation asked for will very nearly complete the Park.

FOR ERECTING NEW AND REPAIRING OLD COTTAGES.

For erecting new and repairing old cottages. ...	<u>\$7,500 00</u>
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It has been found that at least \$5,000 is necessary for a really available cottage, such as is required for the convenience of persons resorting to the Central Park. One more of these is absolutely necessary, and all of those now existing, except the new ones, require repairs. The appropriation asked for is only sufficient for this purpose.

REFRESHMENT HOUSES.

For repairs to buildings used for sale of refreshments on
Central Park and City Parks \$7,500 00

These refreshment houses are a source of revenue, and are visited by the best class of people. They are an essential feature of the park, and must be kept in good repair.

TELEPHONIC SERVICE.

For erecting and maintaining telephonic service for Department..... \$4,000 00

This service has been very satisfactory this year, has proved to be all that was anticipated, and has undoubtedly been the cause of saving much distress, and probably the saving of life. It has also enabled the Department to conduct its administration with a great deal more economy and facility; in fact, the service pays for itself in money saved, to say nothing of its value as a life-saving institution.

MAINTENANCE—TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH WARDS.

Maintenance and Government of Public Parks, Places, Streets, Roads, and Avenues, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, including supplies, salary of Superintendent, and wages of all persons employed on the work. \$115,000 00

The amount asked for this purpose is the same as was appropriated last year. The work of maintaining the numerous roads, avenues, and places in those two wards is very extensive, and liable at all times to be affected by storms, while the demand upon our force during the past year has been such that we have not been able to accomplish much that was urgently required by the residents. What has been done is of such a character as to be lasting and effective. The large increase in the number and length of the streets and avenues in this section of the city (the title to

new streets constantly being acquired), involves increasing demands on this fund.

CONTINGENCIES—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

Contingencies—Department of Public Parks.... \$10,000 00

Nothing was appropriated during the last year under this head, but it has been found that the Department is absolutely at a loss, in many instances, for funds to do work that may develop itself from time to time, not specified under any appropriation, yet of such a character that, if neglected, much injury would accrue to the public service. It is impossible to specify in detail what these items may be, but a small contingent fund is, in the opinion of the Board, an absolute necessity to its proper administration.

PAVING ROADWAY AT BATTERY PARK.

Paving Roadway at Battery Park..... \$7,500 00

This roadway is the only access to the Government Landing and Government Building at the Battery, where all passengers are landed from the European steamers, with their baggage. It is now in a lamentable and disgraceful condition. The Board has not had one cent which it could authoritatively apply to this purpose, although the remonstrances of the general commanding this division, and other Government officers, have been repeatedly sent to the Department, with regard to its condition.

SPRINKLING TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH WARDS.

Sprinkling Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards—For sprinkling main thoroughfares in Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards..... \$7,500 00

This amount is considered a proper one for this service.

At certain seasons of the year it is almost impossible to prevent great inconvenience to the citizens of those two

wards, from the dust on their thoroughfares. We have succeeded during the past year beyond our expectations in this respect.

CROMWELL'S CREEK BRIDGES, ETC.

Cromwell's Creek Bridges and Bridges other
than those of Harlem river and Bronx river.... \$5,000 00

The maintenance of these bridges in a proper condition is requisite to public safety, and to prevent the litigation which the possible accidents arising from an insecure condition would be likely to produce. Many of these bridges are of an inferior character, very much out of repair, and going to decay, and must be watched with great care, and kept in constant safety for travel.

BRIDGE AND APPROACHES OVER MOTT HAVEN CANAL AT ONE
HUNDRED AND THIRTY-EIGHTH STREET.

Bridge and Approaches over Mott Haven Canal at
One Hundred and Thirty-eighth Street..... \$10,000 00

This at present is a dangerous structure, and requires immediate attention, in the interest of the public safety.

RIVERDALE AVENUE.

Riverdale Avenue—Improvement of..... \$10,000 00

This improvement is especially asked for, for the reason that along the line of that avenue are the residences of those who pay a very large proportion of the taxes levied upon that district. This avenue is not in a proper condition. It cannot be made so without the expenditure of the amount asked for. The people along the line of that avenue are, in the opinion of the Board, entitled to this special appropriation.

BRONX RIVER BRIDGES.

For the Rebuilding, Repairing and Maintenance of Bridges
over the Bronx River, within the city limits. \$12,500 00

Two of these bridges have now been completed, together with their approaches. The appropriation asked for is for the Pelham Bridge especially, and for completing the guards, etc., required on the approaches of the others.

SEWERS AND DRAINS.

For cleaning and repairing sewers and drains in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.. . . . \$12,500 00

As a matter of course, the unpaved condition of most of the streets and avenues of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, and the extensive amount of regulating and grading that has been done there during the past two years, involve a large increase of labor and expense in keeping in repair and cleaning the sewers and drains. This is a natural consequence of the growth and development of those wards, which needs no argument to demonstrate.

SURVEYING, LAYING-OUT, ETC., TAX AND ASSESSMENT MAPS, TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH WARDS.

For Surveying, Laying-out and Monumenting Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards and the northerly end of Manhattan Island, north of the south side of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, including salaries and wages of all persons employed on the work, and for making and completing maps, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, for the use of the Department of Taxes and Assessments \$30,000 00

This work, which yields an absolute and direct return, is of the utmost importance, as it involves that character of

information and data which are absolutely essential to enable the Department of Taxes and Assessments to perform judiciously the duties devolving upon it. The absence of these maps, or their non-completion, undoubtedly prevents the collection of the adequate amount due from property-owners to the city, and the appropriation should therefore be as large as can be economically and judiciously expended.

INCUMBRANCES, TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH WARDS.

Removal of..... \$1,000 00

This item is simply the usual expense for removing incumbrances that may be in the way of locomotion, and render the city liable for damages, if not removed.

MANHATTAN SQUARE.

Improvement of..... \$2,500 00

This square is almost completed. The amount asked for will entirely complete it.

SURVEYS, MAPS AND PLANS IN TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH WARDS.

For making surveys and maps for the opening of streets and avenues for the use of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, and for making preliminary surveys and plans not assessable, of projected sewers and drains, including rent of office for engineers; and for making maps for acquiring right of way for building drains..... \$30,000 00

This money is returned to the treasury by assessments, and is really no tax, but merely a necessary current expense, which is reimbursed to the treasury.

RENTS AND REPAIRS, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

To pay rents and make repairs of Offices, Stables and Yards for the use of the Department, under agreement entered into by the Comptroller by order of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund \$5,000 00

This sum is required for the rent and repairs of the buildings and premises now occupied.

JEANETTE PARK.

For improving the Park at Coenties Slip, known as Jeanette Park \$25,000 00

The sum asked for is the lowest possible amount sufficient to put this park in a condition proper for the uses expected of it.

DRAINAGE AND IRRIGATION OF PARKS.

For laying new and repairing old drains \$30,000 00

The work of repairing the effects of time, the defects of judgment, and neglect in connection with the drainage and irrigation of the parks, is a very important and delicate one, and must be prosecuted with great care. Large areas cannot be upturned at once. The experience of the past year has demonstrated that no more important work is required than this.

CONSTRUCTION.

For the purpose of constructing incomplete portions of Central and City Parks \$50,000 00

The amount asked for is the same as was asked for last year, but which was reduced to an amount which was in no way sufficient. It seems to be imperatively demanded by the

public that an entrance into the the park, from One Hundred and Tenth street and Eighth avenue, should be constructed, and this amount is necessary for that purpose, and for completing other incomplete portions of the Park, which are now a blot and a blemish.

STEAM ROAD ROLLER.

For the purchase of Steam Road Roller	\$6,300 00
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The new steam road roller obtained last year has not been sufficient, although it has been of very great service. This is simply an element of economy in the administration of the Department.

NEW YORK, October 25, 1884.

To the Commissioners of Parks :

GENTLEMEN—Agreeably to your request, I beg leave to submit the following review of the proceedings recently had upon the examination of the Park Commissioners, which, although necessarily limited in its statement of details, contains, I think, a correct statement of results.

The proceedings referred to were taken under the authority of section 60 of the Consolidation Act, which provides that an order may be made by a Justice of the Supreme Court of this Department, requiring a public officer to appear before him and be examined touching any official delinquency with which he may be charged in the affidavit upon which the order is granted ; the application for the order may be made by five citizens who are taxpayers. The proceeding is unique in that it cannot terminate in any judicial finding upon the charges.

There is no authority vested in the justice before whom it is conducted to do more than simply regulate the course of the examination and pass upon the pertinency of the evidence offered in support of the charges. When the examination is closed, the act requires it to be filed with the County Clerk, and the proceeding thereupon comes to an end.

While the law doubtless answers fully the supposed purpose of its enactment in impressing upon public officers a deep sense of their responsibility to the people for the manner in which they administer public affairs, and in affording to citizens a summary and effectual method of exposing official wrong doing, it operates with some degree of harshness upon the accused. The officer, against whom the proceeding is taken,

is brought into Court upon sworn charges of official misconduct, upon which the justice requiring him to appear has acted, in so far, at least, as to hold that upon the affidavit presented a case is made for such an examination. He is thus, in the public estimation, at least, put upon his defence at the outset of the proceeding, is subjected to a rigorous examination upon the theory of his guilt, and when the matter is closed he has not the right to ask, nor has the judge any power to declare, his vindication from the aspersions made upon his integrity.

That this is a great hardship must be conceded. In many cases where the evidence is voluminous and complex, requiring careful analysis before an intelligent judgment can be rendered, the lack of this power in the judge to pass upon the charges, so important to an innocent person and so necessary to his vindication in the public estimation, works a serious injury.

Happily in the examination of the Commissioners of Parks, the failure of the applicants to produce evidence worthy of consideration in support of their charges was so patent that the results were within easy reach of the popular judgment, and that judgment has pronounced the charges unproved and untenable.

The proceedings for their examination were instituted before Mr. Justice Barrett, on June 12, 1884, on which day an order was made by him requiring the Commissioners to appear before him on June 19, 1884, to be examined in regard to the matters and things charged in the affidavit of the applicants for the examination, and to answer all such questions in regard to such matters and things as might be put to them on behalf of said applicants, and as should be pertinent to such charges.

The affidavit upon which the order was made, under a general charge of a violation of law on the part of the Commissioners, contained specifications which may be summarized as follows :

1st. That the expenditure of the Commissioners for the maintenance of parks in each of the years 1881, 1882 and 1883, exceeded that of the year 1878, whereas the applicants were informed by competent persons familiar with the subject, and believed, that the amount expended in 1878 was ample for the purpose.

2d. That the Commissioners had expended about \$250,000 since January 1, 1874, in surveying, laying out, mapping and monumenting the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, whereas, the applicants were informed by competent persons familiar with the work, and believed, that it should not have cost over \$125,000, and should have been completed in three years.

3d. That the Commissioners had paid excessive prices for gravel, and that the applicants were informed by competent persons familiar with the matter, and believed, that the same or equally good gravel could have been obtained by the Board at a much less price.

4th. That in 1882 the Commissioners paid for painting the Third avenue bridge upwards of \$7,000, while the cost of the work had been estimated at but \$1,800, and as the applicants were informed and believed, the same ought not to have cost more than the latter sum.

5th. That the Commissioners had in various instances violated the provisions of law, which require that work to be done and supplies to be furnished, involving an expenditure exceeding \$1,000, should be by contract.

It will be observed that most of these charges are not in a form which fastens the responsibility for them upon the applicants, or upon any other person or persons named in the affidavit.

In nearly every case the specifications upon which the general charges are predicated are expressly stated to be matters of information, which have come to the applicants at second hand, from other persons, whom they do not name, of whose

competency to express an opinion upon the matter no one can therefore judge, and of whose honesty of purpose no discovery is possible.

The charges, therefore, cannot be considered as entitled to any of the weight of a sworn statement.

At the very outset of the proceeding, although advised that grave doubts existed as to the right of the applicants to have the examination they sought upon the papers they presented, and in the form the proceedings had taken, the Commissioners determined not to raise any question of a technical character, but to submit themselves to the inquiry and to court the fullest investigation, knowing that the charges were baseless, and feeling that the proceeding had been prompted by persons who had either some personal interest to serve, or some grudge against the Department to gratify.

The examination accordingly proceeded, almost from day to day. A vast amount of statistical information, relative to the parks and streets under the jurisdiction of the Department, and other matters, which was asked for by the counsel for the applicants, was furnished in tabulated form with a promptness and in a shape so satisfactory as by itself to demonstrate a high degree of clerical efficiency in the Department and the excellence of its management.

Two of the Commissioners, Messrs Wales and Vielé, and a number of other witnesses were examined, about fifteen days were occupied in the work, and over 600 pages of testimony were taken by the stenographer.

The result of this extended inquiry was a demonstration that the charges were without foundation. How complete this failure was I shall endeavor to outline as succinctly as possible.

First—As to the charge that the expenditures for the years 1881, 1882 and 1883, were excessive.

The only witness, certainly the chief witness, relied upon by the applicants to establish this charge was Mr. Grant, a

civil engineer, who had previously been connected in that capacity with the Central Park. Mr. Grant assumed to give an estimate of what in his judgment should be the annual cost of maintaining the parks under the jurisdiction of the Department.

There are twenty-three parks, squares and places under the control of the Department, having a combined acreage of over 1,000 acres, but scattered over the city for a distance of many miles, adapted for different purposes, all demanding some attention, from the employment of the highest professional skill constantly exercised, to the most ordinary service, according to the nature of each piece, and, in their diversified and numberless elements, requiring for their maintenance an expenditure varying in its degree and extent with the special character and standard of each particular park or place. When this is remembered, one might well shrink from such a task as almost impossible of achievement by any one person with results worthy of any confidence. And yet Mr. Grant has undertaken to do this, reaching a result, not, after months of patient and close examination, requisite to a correct knowledge of the numberless details of this enormous work, giving to each its due weight and importance and its proper market value, but, as he testifies, after a short and desultory investigation.

That there may be no mistake about this, I will quote from his own testimony :

“Q. How much time have you spent in doing this work ?

“A. I could not tell you, sir. It has been desultory, and “without summing up on my diary I could not inform you.

“Q. About how many days in the week were you at it ? \

“A. I suppose ten or twelve days altogether.”

The unreliable character of his work was further illustrated in the estimate made for maintaining parks other than the Central Park when he was called upon for items. When it is remembered that these parks have an aggregate area of

over 145 acres, and that Mr. Grant estimated the proper annual cost for maintaining them at \$7,200, it hardly requires special knowledge to see how valueless such an estimate must be. True, when subsequently cross-examined upon this point, and confronted with the absurdity of the statement, he endeavored to explain it away; but the fact is none the less plain that, in his direct examination, this detail was expressly given as the full measure of the proper cost for the maintenance of *all the parks* other than the Central Park.

His testimony further shows itself to be the criticism of one who has been an unsuccessful aspirant for office in the Department, and who, to use his own guarded statement, unwillingly made under the pressure of cross-examination, "has not a very cordial feeling towards some of the persons employed in the Department of Parks," and that he has "grievances against some of the employees and officers." He also testified that he expected to be paid by the promoters of this proceeding for his services. Under the bias that all of this imports to make out the case against the Department as bad as possible, this testimony, even if its worthlessness were not demonstrable from its intrinsic errors, should be received with extreme caution.

But apart from this, and contending only that the course pursued by Mr. Grant in arriving at his results is false in principle, the testimony of Mr. Culyer further shows the fallacy of his methods.

Mr. Culyer is the Chief Engineer and Superintendent of the Brooklyn Park Commission, and was produced as a witness by the applicants. On cross-examination he was asked: "Is it possible to form any reliable estimate of the cost of the maintenance of so complex a structure as the Central Park, without going into exact details which would include the estimate of the expenses of every item?"

"A. It is not. It is a thing I never could do.

"Q. Do you mean it is unfair?"

"A. I think that it is very unfair."

He was further asked :

“Q. Is it not a notorious fact that where general estimates “in respect to such a subject are made the actual cost on the “most economical basis very frequently very largely overruns?

“A. Yes, sir.

“Q. Enormously overruns?

“A. Yes, sir.

“Q. Or, in other words, you can do things at a very little “expense on paper?

“A. These things are very generally made for the purpose “of running down something else—pulling to pieces some “other estimates.”

So much for the value of Mr. Grant's testimony. As he is the principal, if not the only witness, offered by the applicants in support of their general charges of extravagance, which I have been considering, we must assume that he is “the competent person familiar with the subject,” upon whose responsibility the charge is made, and in his failure to make it good the charge is disposed of.

At least it is permitted to us to claim that so serious a charge should be supported by weightier evidence than the desultory calculations and estimates of such a witness, and that the witnesses of the applicants should agree that the principle upon which such an estimate is made is correct and reliable.

Before leaving this subject, I desire to refer to an attempt on the part of the applicants to prove extravagance in the management of the parks by comparing the rate of expenditure for maintenance per acre of the Central Park with that of other parks in this country.

In this attempt they met with a most unexpected check in the testimony of Mr. Culyer, the only witness they examined on this point.

He testified as follows :

“Q. You have been asked to draw a comparison between the cost of the care and maintenance of the Central Park and of Prospect Park ; are the conditions, in any respect, so alike as to make any such comparison fair ?

“A. No ; I don't think so. I have said that several times.

“Q. Would it not be very misleading ?

“A. I think it would be very unfair and misleading with reference to the Central Park.”

The testimony of Mr. Culyer was most intelligent and satisfactory, and it is a matter of regret that my space will not admit of more extensive quotation. I will, however, indulge to the extent of the following general expression of opinion, which, coming from one so qualified to speak on the subject, is worthy of respect and attention.

After stating that, in his opinion, the cost of maintenance of the Central Park of this city should be much greater per acre than the cost of maintaining the Brooklyn Park, he goes on to say :

“I think that the Central Park represents an institution which has a counterpart in only two or three cities in the world. The fact that there is concentrated in this city a mass of wealth, representing gentlemen who come here to live and spend their money, and live luxuriously, has gradually developed out of Central Park a great driving park. I don't think, with the exception of the Champs Elysée and the Bois de Boulogne, there can be found through all the days of the year such a vast procession of equipages as is found in Central Park. The driving is enormous there. In other respects I consider that the very demand for luxury in a great city like New York requires that greater provisions should be made on work of that kind than possibly applies to a local institution like Prospect Park in Brooklyn.”

Against Mr. Grant's jeremiad over the condition of the Central Park, we find an agreeable offset in the opinion Mr. Culyer expresses upon the subject. He says: "In my mind, Central Park has not looked so well in a good many years as it does to-day. The people of New York can have the benefit of that opinion, and I think it will be borne out."

The testimony of Mr. Culyer, coming from a witness competent, disinterested and free from all bias, is certainly worthier of acceptance.

The second specification in these charges relates to the alleged extravagance in surveying, laying out, monumenting and mapping the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.

This charge, like the others, is made upon alleged information from "competent persons familiar with the subject." As the only person who gave any testimony upon this matter was Mr. Grant, we are driven to the conclusion that he is the so-called "competent person," and of the value of his testimony on this subject, after what we have already seen of it, we can easily judge.

The evidence upon this point was exceedingly vague and general in its character. Mr. Grant testified that while he was in the Department topographical maps were made by him, for which he claimed the merit of considerable accuracy. He stated that tax maps could be made mainly from these maps, but that there was some field work also which would have to be done.

Upon cross-examination, and with one of these topographical surveys before him, the weakness of this claim became apparent.

He was asked "How would assessors go to work to ascertain how to assess property using your maps?"

"A. We were not making an assessment map when this work was done."

He was further asked, "Would your maps furnish data by which to tax property in those wards, the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards?"

"A. Not without some additional work where changes have been made. *A good many changes have been made since these maps were made.*"

He was further asked: "Would you dare to rely upon your maps yourself if you were charged with the duty of assessing taxes?"

"A. I don't know what I would do in that case; I don't know how much that covers; I am not able to answer that very strictly." He was then requested to give the length of a property line laid down on the map before him; certainly a most important and necessary element in an assessment map, but was unable to do so. One other witness was produced on behalf of the applicants upon this point. Mr. Bracken, Deputy Tax Commissioner for the 24th Ward and part of the 23d Ward, and his testimony certainly indicated the necessity of the work which has been undertaken by the Department in furnishing accurate tax maps for the annexed district. Mr. Bracken testified that for the performance of his duties he had prepared maps which he had compiled partly from property maps at White Plains, partly from *auction maps* and partly from farm maps, and that he did the best he could under the circumstances.

The necessity for accuracy in the preparation of such maps is obvious. The power of the city to collect its taxes by a sale of the property upon which they are liens is of the highest importance, and unless the property so sold is susceptible of accurate location, the value of this right is seriously impaired. True economy then dictates that no expenditure which realizes the utmost accuracy of work is either wasteful or extravagant.

The necessity that such maps should be made from more accurate sources than auction maps is plain, and the superior character of the work which is displayed in those which have

been completed by the Department, under the faithful supervision of its engineer, should be a matter of pride to the Commissioners and their best answer to the charges which have been made against them. As General Viele testified, "they excel in accuracy any maps that have hitherto been made for the city government." Until better evidence has been produced that as good work might have been done for a less sum of money, the Department is entitled to claim, as it does, that the city has its money's worth in the results which have been attained.

The next charge made was that an excessive price had been paid for gravel, and that the applicants had been informed by competent persons familiar with the subject that the same or equally good gravel could have been obtained at a less price.

Upon this subject an immense mass of testimony was produced by the applicants, and it then became evident that this investigation had to some extent been actively promoted by various persons owning or having an interest in gravel beds on the Hudson, who were anxious to advance their individual interest and sell their gravel to the Department.

It was admitted on all sides that the gravel called "Roa Hook" was the best for use upon the park roads, and while it was conceded that the gravel used by the Department came from the famous Roa Hook beds, the claim was made that the gravel of certain rival beds across the river was of as good a quality, and was sold under the name of Roa Hook gravel, although not coming from Roa Hook.

It would be beyond the scope of such a communication as this and quite unnecessary to review the evidence of these gravel men. The usual claims of excellence and superiority were made which men advance when vaunting the merits of their own property.

Whatever the case may be upon the relative merits of this gravel as it lies in the natural bed, the evidence shows that

the Department found by experience that until they procured the gravel they now use their roads were in a bad condition, and that whatever the case might be up the river, there was a marked difference in the material as delivered at the park for use.

It is with this practical aspect of the question, and not with theories or other methods of comparison, that we have to deal.

The matter is presented by Commissioner Wales in his testimony so clearly that no plainer vindication of the Department in the course it pursued could be desired.

He says that in the spring of 1881 he found the roads in the park were one mass of mush, and on inquiry he ascertained that, during the few years preceding his taking office, the Department had been purchasing an inferior quality of gravel, which, after being used for some time turned into mud, and that this gravel had come from parties having control of the rival gravel beds referred to.

The result was that the stuff upon the drives had to be scraped off at great expense and new gravel laid down. It was then that it was determined to obtain none but the genuine Roa Hook gravel, which was under the exclusive control of Mrs. Van Cortlandt, the owner of the bed.

An arrangement was accordingly made with her through her agent by which the gravel requisite for the use of the Department should be supplied from the Roa Hook beds, at first for \$2.05 a cubic yard, and since at varying prices in each year.

The result has been, as Mr. Wales testified, and no where has it been disputed, that the gravel has given perfect satisfaction, and the roads of the park are in better condition now than they have been any time since its completion.

The evidence shows that this gravel undergoes a process of double cleaning, or double screening, as it is styled, under

the requirements of the Department, a process which is not resorted to by any of the rivals of the Roa Hook. It is to this, no doubt, as well as to the fact that the Department is able to deal directly with the owner and not through middlemen (the disadvantages of which as Mr. Wales testifies, had become manifest) that the superior article now in use is attributable.

The most ardent supporter of the claims of the rival gravel was one Ryder. It appeared that Mr. Ryder had been engaged in the gravel business for many years and had supplied the Department with gravel in the past. It also appeared that some years ago he had control of the Roa Hook beds, under an arrangement with Mrs. Van Cortlandt, the owner, but had lost it, and was now actively interested in promoting the claims of the rival beds. In giving his testimony he maintained that the gravel from these beds was equal in quality, if not superior, to the gravel at Roa Hook, but was somewhat disconcerted upon his cross-examination by the production of a letter written by himself to Mrs. Van Cortlandt about the year 1876 or 1877, and before he had lost control of the Roa Hook beds, in which, after referring to various bids made by his rivals on the other beds to supply the Department of Parks with Roa Hook gravel, he writes, alluding to his own bid, as follows:

“ Appended to my bid I stated that I only was authorized to furnish from Roa Hook bank, and if the Commissioners conclude to take Roa Hook *they must get it of me*, as I am the only party which can furnish. Unless they are willing to take an *inferior article* the contract will be awarded to me.”

This testimony from Mr. Ryder's own pen to the superiority of the Roa Hook gravel now used is a conclusive answer to his present claim, especially when read in connection with the following testimony, also given by him in this proceeding, which I quote as follows :

“ Q. Since Mr. Wales came there in the beginning of 1881,

“has anybody succeeded in putting bad gravel upon the Park Department?”

“A. I don't think they have.

“Q. They did before?”

“A. Yes, sir.”

Considered from the most favorable standpoint the controversy upon this question was a mere conflict of judgment upon the comparative merits of these gravels in practical use. It is the judgment of the Park Commissioners, however, which the people bargained for in their appointment, and it is the duty of the Commissioners to act upon that judgment. That they do so cannot be imputed to them as an official delinquency.

Further confirmation, if any were needed, of the correctness of their judgment and the wisdom of their action in this respect, is found in the testimony of Mr. Culyer, the Chief-Engineer and General Superintendent of the Brooklyn Park, produced as a witness by the applicants themselves.

He testifies that he got the gravel used at Prospect Park from Roa Hook, which, to use his own words, “we thought, “after a long experience, was the best gravel for the purpose, “the results and cost being taken into account, that could be “had.” And it further appeared that he was paying a larger price for it than the Park Department in this city.

Further comment upon this subject cannot be necessary. It is plain upon the evidence given that the course of the Commissioners has been wise, and the best interests of the city have been served by their discreet action.

The next specification of extravagance relates to the painting of the Third Avenue Bridge in 1881.

The fact appeared that the expense of this work was over \$7,000.

Certain specifications made by an officer of the Department before the work was undertaken were put in evidence, show-

ing an estimate of the probable cost of part of the work as subsequently done at a less sum.

This was not followed up by any further proof; but the explanation of this discrepancy between the estimate and the actual cost—an occurrence not unusual in such matters—is satisfactorily given by Mr. Wales in his testimony. He states that it appeared after the work had been commenced, and a further examination had been made that the condition of the bridge was much worse than it was supposed to be by the engineer who made the estimate; that the under portions of the bridge were very rusty, and that it was necessary to have a good deal of scraping done before any paint could be put on. This required suspended scaffolding to be put up, involved a great deal of labor, and was a very much larger amount of work than the engineer contemplated or reported.

As this was not controverted by any other evidence, it must be assumed to be, as it was, a satisfactory explanation of the charge.

The last charge we have to consider is, that in various instances the Department had violated the law requiring work involving an expenditure exceeding \$1,000, to be by contract; and the purchase of gravel by the Department was in this respect subjected to criticism.

The explanation of Commissioner Wales upon this point was complete.

He testified that he consulted the Comptroller, the Mayor, and the Corporation Counsel upon the subject; that there was a general agreement, that the course proposed to be pursued, and which since has been pursued by the Department in the purchase of gravel, was proper, and the Corporation Counsel gave his written opinion to the Commissioners that they were, under the circumstances, justified in purchasing supplies from time to time in such quantities for less than \$1,000, as were required by the Department. Of this there is no dispute, and it is as complete a vindication as could well be desired.

In another case of a similar alleged violation of the law, ordinances of the Common Council were produced dispensing with its requirements, which it was entirely within the power of that body to do.

But enough, possibly more than enough; has been said to show how baseless all these charges have proved to be, and how inaccurate the information has been which misled these five gentlemen into preferring them. If there is to be any regret that this proceeding was initiated, certainly it should not be on the part of the Commissioners, who have been justified by the result in the confidence and readiness with which they exposed their whole official action to the closest scrutiny of hostile opponents.

The jurisdiction of this Department is of vast extent, and the responsibilities of the Commissioners are numerous and weighty, and this investigation proves, if it proves anything, that the Commissioners have been faithful in the performance of their duty and efficient in their management.

In closing, I desire to make a single comment bearing upon the fairness with which the proceeding was conducted and the animus which influenced it.

Upon the close of the examination on the part of the applicants, the Commissioners desired to proceed with the introduction of evidence in their behalf, when they were met with the objection on the part of the applicants that they had no such right. It was obvious that they had. The statute did not prohibit it, and it is of the essence of our law and our freedom that every man charged with an offence under the forms of law is entitled to be heard in his own defence.

In disregard of this right, the objection was made, and it stands upon the record to-day as evidence of an intention on the part of those making it that the examination should be a one-sided one, and that the Commissioners against whom they had preferred charges should not be heard in their own defence.

Happily, the vindication of the Commissioners is complete upon the evidence which was taken for the applicants, and they are quite safe in leaving the matter where it now stands.

Yours respectfully,

HENRY R. BEEKMAN,
of Counsel for the Commissioners.

We concur in the above.

JOHN E. PARSONS,
THERON G. STRONG,
of Counsel for the Commissioners.

SUPREME COURT.

IN THE MATTER

of

The Application of JOHN NOBLE
STEARNS, JOSHUA C. SANDERS, HORACE
WINANS, EDWARD A. MORRISON and
GEORGE H. BEYER, for the examina-
tion of SALEM H. WALES, WILLIAM
M. OLLIFFE, JOHN D. CRIMMINS, and
EGBERT L. VIELE, Commissioners of
Parks of the City of New York.

This proceeding having been adjourned to July 23, 1884, at 10.30 A. M., at the request of the applicants, and the applicants, by James W. Hawes, Esq., their counsel, at the adjourned time having applied for a further postponement of the proceeding, and further postponement having been opposed by the counsel for said Commissioners,

It was ordered and it is now hereby ordered that such further postponement be refused, and thereupon the Com-

missioners having desired to proceed with the introduction of evidence on their behalf, the applicants by their said counsel objected that the Commissioners had no right under the statute to introduce evidence, and the parties by their respective counsel having been heard.

And the counsel for the Commissioners stating that the applicants being put upon the record as making the objection they will not ask that it be overruled save in the respect hereinafter provided, it is hereby further ordered, without any decision of the objection by me, that the proceeding so far as concerns the introduction of evidence be closed with the right to the Commissioners to make a motion before me to impose costs on those promoting the examination, and without prejudice to any right of the Commissioners or of the applicants to introduce evidence upon that motion.

July 24, 1884.

C. H. VAN BRUNT,
J. S. C.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1884.

ADJOURNED MEETING—1.30 P. M.

Present—Commissioner VIELE, President.
CRIMMINS,
OLLIFFE.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Cogswell, Dr.—drinking-fountain.

The PRESIDENT, to whom was referred the subject of the ice-water drinking-fountain, offered for presentation to the Department by Dr. Henry D. Cogswell, provided the same should be maintained at public expense, made a verbal report and recommended that the offer of Dr. Cogswell be declined, the department having no available fund at this time to maintain such fountain.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, said report was accepted and recommendation approved.

McNally, J. F.—appointed.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following:

Resolved, That James F. McNally be and he is hereby appointed a foreman for duty on Morningside Park.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Kelly, Patrick—appointed.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That Patrick Kelly be and he is hereby appointed a laborer in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Gaeben, Wm.—appointed.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That William Gaeben be and he is hereby appointed a laborer on Morningside Park.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Adjournment.

On motion, at 1.50 P. M., the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1884.

SPECIAL MEETING—12 M.

The Board met pursuant to the following:

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, }
36 UNION SQUARE, }
October 23, 1884. }

Mr. E. P. BARKER, *Secretary*:

SIR—You will please issue notices for a meeting of the Board to be held on Monday, 27th instant, at 12 M., for the consideration of motions, resolutions, reports of committees and transaction of such other business as may be presented.

Respectfully,

EGBERT L. VIELE,
President D. P. P.

Present—Commissioner VIELE, President.

“ WALES,
“ CRIMMINS,
“ OLLIFFE.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following communications were received:

Board of Aldermen—Skate Building.

From the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen, transmitting a copy of a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That the Department of Public Parks be and is hereby authorized to make a contract for erecting a building on the Central Park for the use and accommodation of the

public during the skating season, said contract to be made without the necessity of advertisement or public letting, in accordance with section 64 of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, and not to exceed the appropriation at the disposal of the Department for that purpose.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, October 14, 1884.

Approved by the Mayor, October 20, 1884.

Ordered filed.

Magrath, M.—Contract, Skate Building.

Commissioner CRIMMINS called up the estimates for erecting a skate building, received and laid over at a meeting held on the 15th inst., and offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the proposal of M. Magrath, amounting to \$7,932.50, for erecting a skate building on the Central Park, be accepted as the lowest and most advantageous bid, and that a contract be entered into with the said M. Magrath under authority of the Board of Aldermen of October 6, 1884, and approved by the Mayor, October 20, 1884, for doing said work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

143d St.—Conveyance of land.

From the Comptroller, relative to the conveyance to the City, by Chas. Van Riper and Newbury D. Lawton, of a certain plot or piece of land in the Twenty-third Ward, forming a part of One Hundred and Forty-third street.

Ordered filed.

Southern Boulevard Sewer—Substitution of Sureties.

From the Comptroller, in relation to the substitution of sureties, on the proposal of Dennis W. Moran, for constructing a sewer in the Southern Boulevard.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the consent of this Department is hereby given to the substitution of Charles Van Riper and James Kearney, in lieu of Charles Jones and Alexander Low, as sureties on the contract awarded Dennis W. Moran for constructing a sewer in the Southern Boulevard, etc.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Transfer.

From the Clerk of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, transmitting copies of the following resolutions adopted by said Board :

Resolved, That in accordance with the request of the Department of Public Parks, dated September 24, 1884, and referred to the Comptroller at meeting of September 30, 1884, the sum of four thousand dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the appropriation made for the year 1884, entitled "Central Park Transverse Roads," the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation entitled "Riverside Avenue," for 1884, for which it is required.

Resolved, That in accordance with the request of the Department of Public Parks of October 16, 1884, the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) be and the same is hereby transferred from the following appropriations made to the said Department for the year 1884, viz. :

Central Park—Transverse Roads	\$4,000 00
Drainage and Irrigation of the Central Park	2,000 00
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	\$6,000 00

—the same being in excess of the amounts required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation made to the same Department for 1884, entitled "Riverside Park," for which it is required, of which sum \$3,000, or so much

thereof as may be required, shall be applied to the restoration of the building known as the "Claremont."

Ordered filed.

Deering, J. A.—Vase.

From James A. Deering and John C. Shaw, offering to present a vase to be placed on Riverside Park, between One Hundred and Second and One Hundred and Third streets.

Laid over.

Sunday Music—W. S. Tisdale.

From W. S. Tisdale, in relation to the action taken by this Board on 15th instant, respecting the circular issued by him soliciting subscriptions in the matter of Sunday Concerts.

Commissioner CRIMMINS presented a communication received by him from Henry Clausen, Jr., inclosing a communication received by him from W. S. Tisdale, soliciting contributions towards defraying expenses connected with the circular issued by him in relation to Sunday music.

Ordered filed.

Drake. Lawrence—Grade Kingsbridge road.

From Lawrence Drake, protesting against the proposed change in the grade of Kingsbridge road, and other streets referred to in the petition of W. H. Hayes, F. A. Thayer, and others, received September 3, 1884.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer.

Central Bridge fire.

From W. H. Bertholf, Bridge-tender, reporting in relation to the damage by fire to the Central Bridge, on the 19th instant.

Ordered filed.

Superintendent of Parks—Central Bridge fire.

From the Superintendent of Parks, reporting that the Central Bridge narrowly escaped destruction on 19th instant,

by a fire caused by a locomotive standing for a long time under it, and recommending that the attention of the railroad company be called to the matter.

On motion, the Secretary was directed to communicate with the N. Y. C. & H. R. R. Co., calling their attention to the danger of allowing locomotives to stand under the Central Bridge.

Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards.

From the Superintendent of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards:

Petty expenses.

1st. Inclosing bills for petty expenditures made by him during the months of January, February, March, April, May, June, and July, amounting to \$43.45.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

Veterinary Surgeon's bill.

2d. Inclosing bills of Dr. J. J. Murray, amounting to \$22 for veterinary services.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

Quarterly Report.

The PRESIDENT presented the report of the transactions of the Department for the quarter ending with October 1, 1884, which was approved and ordered transmitted to the Mayor.

Tyson, G. W.—Reappointed.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following:

Resolved, That in accordance with Regulation XVIII. of the Civil Service Regulations, the following-named person is hereby appointed to the position set opposite his name, subject to the further pleasure of this Board:

George W. Tyson, Inspector.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Messrs Parsons, Strong & Beekman—Bills, counsel fees.

Commissioner WALES called up the bills of Messrs. Parsons, Strong & Beekman for counsel fees in the matter of John Noble Stearns and others against the Commissioners of this Department, received and laid over on 15th instant, and moved that the same be approved and transmitted to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Moore, Wm.—Appointed.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That John H. Moore be and he is hereby appointed a Foreman, for duty on Morningside Park.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

McGrath, Patrick—Restored.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That Patrick McGrath be and he is hereby restored to duty as stone-mason for work on the entrances to Central Park, at Eighth avenue and Seventy-seventh and Eighty-first streets.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Green, Thomas—Transferred.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That Thomas Green, laborer, be and he is hereby transferred from work on drainage to work on maintenance of parks.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Fisher, W. L.—Resignation.

From William L. Fisher, resigning his position as Superintending Gardener, to take effect November 1, 1884.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, said resignation was accepted, and the Secretary was directed to convey to Mr. Fisher their high appreciation of his long and valuable services in connection with the Central Park.

Parks, 23d and 24th Wards—Application to Court.

Commissioner WALES called the attention of the Board to the application and petition to the General Term of the Supreme Court, relative to acquiring title to certain lands in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York and in the County of Westchester, for public use as and for public parks and parkways, under and pursuant to the provisions of chapter 522, of the Laws of 1884.

Laid over.

Morningside Park—Transfer.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That, if the services of additional men and horses and carts should be required for work on Morningside Park, the Superintendent of Parks be and he is hereby directed to transfer such men and carts from the maintenance force.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Gas—Harlem Bridge.

From the Superintendent of Parks, recommending that a gas meter be placed in the engine room of the Third Avenue Bridge.

Referred to the Secretary, to confer with the Harlem Gas-light Company in relation to the same.

Mrs. Finn's pay fixed.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That Mrs. Finn be paid \$1 per day for her services in taking charge of the house on East River Park, from and after this date.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

On motion, at 12.50 P. M., the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1884.

REGULAR MEETING—10 A. M.

Present—Commissioner VIELE, President.
“ CRIMMINS.

A quorum not being present,

Adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1884.

SPECIAL MEETING—10 A. M.

The Board met pursuant to the following :

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, }
36 UNION SQUARE, }
November 5, 1884. }

Mr. E. P. BARKER, *Secretary* :

SIR—Please issue notices for a meeting of the Board to be held on Friday next, 7th instant, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of receiving and opening of proposals for Park and Gatekeepers' overcoats, and the consideration of such miscellaneous business as may be presented.

Respectfully,

EGBERT L. VIELE,
President D. P. P.

Present—Commissioner VIELE, President.

“ CRIMMINS.
“ OLLIFFE.

Police-uniforms.—Proposals.

Mr. E. G. Marsh, the representative of the Comptroller being present, and the meeting open to the public, the President, in the presence of the representative of the Comptroller, opened the estimate box and announced that no bids had been received for furnishing police uniform-overcoats, for which advertisements had been duly published in the *City Record*.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following communications were received :

Webster avenue—Sewer.

From the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen, transmitting a copy of the following resolution :

Resolved, That authority is hereby given to the Department of Public Parks to make a contract with the contractor for building a sewer with appurtenances and branches in Webster avenue, between 165th street and 184th street, without public letting and in such manner as said Department may deem for the best interest of the city, for furnishing all the labor and material necessary, and put in a pile foundation for said sewer, the bottom of the trench as opened having been found to be too soft to warrant the building of the sewer without piling.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, October 27, 1884.

Approved by the Mayor, October 30, 1884.

Jones, Charles—Proposal for piling.

The PRESIDENT presented a proposal from Charles Jones, contractor, for doing the work authorized.

On motion, the subject was referred to Commissioner Crimmins to examine into and report upon to the Board.

Masterson, John S.—Overtime.

From the Engineer of Construction, recommending that the overtime on the contract of John S. Masterson, for constructing a sewer on Riverside avenue, be remitted.

Commissioner VIELE moved that the penalty for overtime on the contract of John S. Masterson be remitted, and that the estimate amounting to \$1,593.75 for payment on acceptance of the work, as submitted by the Engineer of Construction, be approved, and transmitted to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Warren street—regulating, etc.

From the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen transmitting a copy of a resolution adopted by said Board and approved by the Mayor amending a resolution and ordinance to regulate, grade, etc., Warren street, from Railroad avenue to Weeks street.

Referred to the Engineer of Construction.

Riverdale avenue—condition of.

From the Secretary of the Kingsbridge Association of the Twenty-fourth Ward, transmitting a copy of a resolution requesting this Department to improve Riverdale avenue, between Broadway and Bailey avenue.

Referred to the Superintendent Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards to report upon.

Rutter, J. H., President—Central Bridge.

From the President of the N. Y. C. & H. R. R. R. Company acknowledging the receipt of a communication from this Department in relation to the danger of allowing locomotives to stand under the Central Bridge, and stating that orders would be given to prevent such recurrence in the future, and that the subject of grades and approaches had been referred to the Second Vice-President of that company.

Ordered filed.

Lyons, John, }
Murphy, Samuel, } Resignations.
Vreedenburg, S. J. }

From Captain Beaty, enclosing the resignation of Park-keeper John Lyons, and Gate-keepers Samuel Murphy and Sidney J. Vreedenburg.

Accepted.

Dalrymple, F. W. }
Clabby, J. J. } Pay for sick time.

From F. W. Dalrymple, Rodman, asking to be allowed pay for five days on which he was absent from duty in consequence of being poisoned while engaged on the work. And from John J. Clabby, Axeman, asking to be allowed pay for

one day on which he was absent from duty in consequence of an injury.

Commissioner VIELE moved that pay be allowed F. W. Dalrymple, Rodman; and John J. Clabby, Axeman, for the time lost by them on account of sickness.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Lind avenue—Regulating, etc.

From the Engineer of Construction, submitting plans and specifications for regulating, grading, etc., Lind avenue, from Wolf street to Devoe street.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following:

Resolved, That the plans and specifications for regulating, grading, etc., Lind avenue, from Wolf street to Devoe street, as this day submitted by the Engineer of Construction, be approved and ordered printed, and when so printed and approved as to form, by the Counsel to the Corporation, that the Secretary be directed to insert an advertisement in the *City Record* inviting proposals for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Kingsbridge Road—Grade of.

From the Topographical Engineer:

1st. Reporting upon the petition of W. H. Hays, F. A. Thayer, and others, asking for a change in the grades of Kingsbridge road and other streets lateral to and intersecting the same, above 190th street, and between the Hudson and

Harlem rivers, in order to secure effective drainage and easy transit.

Referred to the President to confer with the Commissioner of Public Works in relation to the matter.

Works in progress.

2d. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Classification Streets—23d Ward.

3d. Returning the map showing streets and avenues in a portion of the 23d Ward proposed for *classification*, which had been placed on exhibition in his office in accordance with an order of the Board of 15th ultimo, and stating that no objection had been made to the proposed classification.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That under and by virtue of the powers conferred on the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York, by chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, they do hereby establish and classify certain streets, shown on a map or plan entitled "Map or plan of the streets, roads and avenues in that portion of the 23d Ward of the City of New York, bounded on the north by East 161st street and East 134th street, on the east by St. Ann's avenue and Long Island Sound, on the south by Long Island Sound and Harlem river, and on the west by Railroad avenue, east, as established and classified by the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks, in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882," dated New York, October 7, 1884, and signed "S. F. Chalfin, Topographical Engineer, D. P. P.," the same being such as the said Commissioners, or a majority of them, deem most conducive to the public good, and that the President be designated and directed to certify and file three similar copies of said plan and profiles, in accordance with the requirements of the law above cited.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Audit.

Commissioner CRIMMINS, from the Auditing Committee, presented the following reports:

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval:

Bouker, John A., Estimate No. 2.	Maint. 23d and 24th Wards.	\$8,538 75
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		\$8,538 75
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Amounting to the sum of eighty-five hundred and thirty-eight dollars and seventy-five cents.

(Signed) JOHN D. CRIMMINS,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, November 5, 1884.

The above-mentioned bill having been read and passed on, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do approve it, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit it to the Finance Department for payment,

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval:

Brown, Martin B., binding maps	Surveys, Maps and Plans	\$6 00
Connolly, John E., corn	Zoological Dept.	35 50
Doherty, H. H., petty disbursements.	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$103 59
	Zoological Dept.	14 48
	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	13 62
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		131 69
Fairbanks & Co., repairs	Surveys, Maps and Plans	4 00

Hodgman & Co., hip boots	Sewers and Drains..	\$23 47
Morgan, J. P., Treas., expenses Museum		
Natural History.....	Maint. Museums..	1,575 25
Nesbit's Sons, John, cement.....	Drainage and Irrigation of Central Park	\$2 85
	Riverside Park ...	25 65
	Entrances Central Park, at 8th Ave., 77th and 81st Streets.....	182 75
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		211 25
Pratt Manufacturing Co., astral oil ...	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	7 56
Schoonmaker, S. A. & Co., paints, etc..	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	81 11
Seymour, W. N. & Co., hinges, etc....	Riverside Park...	5 86
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		\$2,080 69

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Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.....	\$192 26
Zoological Department.....	49 98
Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	10 00
Maintenance 23d and 24th Wards.....	13 62
Sewers and Drains.....	22 47
Riverside Park	31 51
Maintenance Museums.....	1,575 25
Drainage and Irrigation of Central Park.....	2 85
Entrances Central Park, at 8th Avenue, 77th and 81st Streets	182 75
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	\$2,080 69

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of two thousand and eighty dollars and sixty-nine cents.

(Signed)

JOHN D. CRIMMINS,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, November 5, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval:

American Supply Co., tallow.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	\$4 50
Brady, James, sashes and doors.....	Riverside Park...	980 00
Barron, James S. & Co., stove polish, etc.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	12 65
Beck, Louis D., gravel.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	783 00
Beck, Louis D., gravel.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	706 50
Beck, Louis D., gravel.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	864 00
Beck, Louis D., gravel.....	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places.....	765 00
Beck, Louis D., gravel.....	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places.....	879 75
Benoit, A. V., rule.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	1 40
Brown, Martin B., binding.....	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	11 00
Brustlein, Sury & Co., polysolve.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	18 00
Casey, Thos. H., Estimate No. 5.....	Sewer, N. 3d Ave. and Boston Rd., bet. Brook Ave. and 167th St...	2,710 40
Cappa, C. A., music.....	Music.....	460 00
Chalfin, S. F., petty disbursements....	Surveying, Laying- out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps.....	\$90 56
	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	10 41
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Conover, J. S. & Co., mantels, etc....	Mount St. Vincent Refreshment House	\$723 00
Goeller, Geo. C., rent.....	Rents, D. P. P...	50 00
Independent Calcium Light Co., lights.....	Music.....	164 00
Keuffel & Esser, tracing cloth, etc....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	22 60
Kelly, William, mould.....	Riverside Avenue.	416 15
Kellogg, M. A., petty disbursements...	Surveys, Maps and Plans... ..	\$35 28
	Const. Bdgs. over Harlem River..	5 30
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McGrath, Denis, payment on accept- ance	Crosswalks at 3d, Willis and Mor- ris Aves.	1,637 18
McAllister, F. E., bird seed.....	Zoological Dept...	12 00
McAllister, F. E., wheelbarrow.....	Harlem R. Bdgs..	12 75
Mahon, Bernard, security.....	Regulating, etc., Willis Ave., bet. Southern Boule- vard and N. 3d Avenue.....	1,023 67
Manhattan District Telegraph Co., ser- vices	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	3 31
The Metropolitan Telephone and Tele- graph Co., rental.....	Telephonic service.	125 00
The Metropolitan Telephone and Tele- graph Co., rental	Telephonic service.	637 50
Metropolis Oil Co., oil.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$11 05
	Harlem R. Bdgs..	37 45
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The Metropolitan Telephone and Tele- graph Co., rental	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1883..	12 70
Mitchell, A. H. & Bro., corn, oats, etc..	Zoological Dept...	33 60
Mitchell, A. H. & Bro., hay, oats, etc..	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	44 90
Moran, Dennis, W., Estimate No. 4...	Regulating, etc., 138th St., from St. Ann's and College Aves...	1,524 60
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, basin.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	4 67

Murray, Thomas, security.....	Flagging side-walks, etc., in Denman Place, between Forest and Union Aves.		\$78 75
Murray, Bernard C., security.....	Regulating, etc., Morris Avenue, from 138th to 156th Streets...		1,256 70
Murray, Bernard C., Estimate No. 1...	Sewer, 139th St., from summit between Alexander and Willis Aves. to Brook Avenue.....		1,448 65
Mutual Dist. Messenger Co., services..	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1883..		27 37
Mutual Dist. Messenger Co., services..	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....		64 57
The New York Mutual Gas-light Co., rent.....	Rents, D. P. P...		625 00
Otis & Gorsline, vitrified pipe.....	Riverside Park...		906 10
Otis & Gorsline, vitrified pipe.....	Drainage and Irrigation, Central Park.....		129 50
Pierson & Co., iron and steel.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....		15 74
Raynolds, C. T. & Co., paints, etc....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	\$11 50	
	Harlem R. Bdgs..	63 76	
			75 26
Robitzek, G. & Bros., coal.....	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places.....	\$45 00	
	Harlem R. Bdgs..	52 50	
			97 50
Seaman, W. L., rope.....	Riverside Park...		2 00
Seymour, W. N. & Co., lock.....	Mount St. Vincent Refreshment House.....		1 80
Seymour, W. N. & Co., sundries.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	\$23 68	
	Harlem R. Bdgs..	78 70	
	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places.....		70
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Seymour, W. N. & Co., wire.....	Riverside Avenue.	\$3 35
Smith, J. B., casings.....	Riverside Park...	55 00
Simmons, John, pipe.....	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places.....	10 80
Simmons, John, pipe.....	Mt. St. Vincent Refreshment House.....	5 12
Sylvester, Hilton & Co., gloves.....	Police.....	50 00
Watkins, James Y. & Son, oil cans....	Harlem R. Bdgs..	2 20
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		\$19,792 37
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Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.....	\$2,547 17
Zoological Department.....	45 60
Harlem River Bridges.....	247 36
Maintenance 23d and 24th Wards	44 90
Mount St. Vincent Refreshment House.....	729 92
Riverside Avenue.....	419 50
Construction Bridges over Harlem River	5 30
Riverside Park.....	3,518 85
Telephonic Service.....	762 50
Drainage and Irrigation	129 50
Police.....	50 00
Street Improvements.....	6,467 02
Walks, Central Park and City Parks and Places.....	1,701 25
Music.....	624 00
Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	56 69
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps..	90 56
Rents, Department Public Parks.....	675 00
Labor, Maintenance and Supplies, 1883.....	40 07
Crosswalks, Third, Willis and Morris Avenues	1,637 18
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\$19,792 37	
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Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of nineteen thousand seven hundred and ninety-two dollars and thirty-seven cents.

(Signed)

JOHN D. CRIMMINS,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, November 5, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the President moved that the Board do now

approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Executive session.

On motion, at 12 m., the Board went into Executive session.

Hissenauer, John—Acting Superintending Gardener.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That John Hissenauer, Division Gardener, be and he is hereby designated as Acting Superintending Gardener.

Superintendent of Parks to designate Acting Superintending Gardener.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following as a substitute :

Resolved, That the Superintendent of Parks be directed to designate a division gardener to act as Superintending Gardener.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said substitute, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Civil Service reappointments.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That in accordance with Regulation XVIII. of the Civil Service Regulations, the following-named persons are hereby appointed to the positions set opposite their names respectively, subject to the further pleasure of this Board :

G. A. Burgraff Jr., foreman.

H. H. A. Ronner, foreman.

C. B. Flower, inspector.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Ender, Christian, } Restorations.
Powers, William, }

Commissioner VEILE offered the following :

Resolved, That William Powers and Christian Ender be and they are hereby restored to duty as laborers on Central Park.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Madison Avenue Bridge—Final estimate.

A communication was received from the Engineer of Construction, reporting, in conformity with a resolution of the Board of August 21, 1884, upon a communication from John McQuade, contractor for the approaches to the Madison Avenue Bridge, in relation to his final estimate and the extra work performed by him.

In connection therewith the President stated that he had examined the report of the Engineer of Construction as well as all the facts connected with the communication of the contractor, Mr. McQuade, and the construction by him of the approaches to the Madison Avenue Bridge, the alterations of plans and the delays to the work, as shown by the records of the Department, and concurred in the recommendations of the Engineer of Construction to allow the contractor :

1st. Payment for dredging 2,392 yards of dredging.

2d. For the removal of 1,132 yards of sand placed upon the west approach by the direction of the Engineer and requiring rehauling at 80 cents per cubic yard.

3d. For relief from the penalty for excess of time in the completion of his contracts.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the report of the President be accepted and adopted, and that the Engineer of Construction be directed to prepare and transmit to this Board for audit the final estimates of John McQuade, contractor for work in connection with the Madison Avenue Bridge, in accordance with said report.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Police uniforms.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, the Secretary was directed to insert notices in the *City Record* readvertising for proposals for furnishing uniform overcoats for Park and Gatekeepers.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, at 12.30 o'clock P. M., the Board adjourned to meet on Wednesday next, 12th instant, at 11 A. M.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1884.

ADJOURNED MEETING—11 A. M.

Present—Commissioner VIELE, President.

“ WALES.
“ CRIMMINS.
“ OLLIFFE.

Vredenburgh, S. J.
Lyons, John.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, whereupon the President announced that Gatekeeper Sydney J. Vredenburgh and Parkkeeper John Lyons desired to withdraw their resignations, presented at the last meeting, and return to duty, and moved that the minutes be amended by striking out that part relating to the resignations of Officers Vredenburgh and Lyons, and that they be allowed to return to duty.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said amendment, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

The minutes as amended were then approved.

The following communications were received :

McGrath, D.—Paving Willis ave.

From Denis McGrath, requesting that he be allowed to postpone the commencement of work on his contract for paving Willis avenue until spring.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, the request of Mr. McGrath was denied, and the Engineer of Construction was directed to notify him to proceed with the work under his contract for paving Willis avenue without delay.

Moran, D. W.—Regulating, etc., 138th st.

From Dennis W. Moran, in relation to the delay in completing his contract for regulating and grading 138th street.

Ordered filed.

Perkins, J. H.—Regulating, etc., 165th st.

From James H. Perkins, asking to be allowed pay for extra work and loss caused by delays on his contract for regulating and grading 165th street.

Referred to the President.

Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards.

From the Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards :

Works in progress.

1st. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Temporary suspensions.

2d. Reporting the temporary suspension of men and teams during stormy weather.

Approved.

Webster avenue sewer.
Report of Commissioner Crimmins.
Contract for piling awarded.

Commissioner CRIMMINS, to whom was referred the subject of piling necessary for the foundation of the Webster avenue sewer, made a verbal report stating that he had examined the surface of Webster avenue, as well as the point where the contractor had commenced work ; that the soundings showed depths of from forty to forty-nine feet where piling would be

required in order to get a foundation ; that it is impossible to commence the work until this matter is determined upon ; that the Engineer of Construction had prepared a specification necessary for this work, and moved that under the authority of the Board of Aldermen received at the last meeting, that the proposal of Charles Jones for furnishing and driving piles at forty-five cents per lineal foot, and furnishing and driving iron shoes on the piles at three cents per pound, all to be done in accordance with the specification of the Engineer of Construction, be accepted and the work awarded to him at those prices ; that the President of this Department be authorized to enter into a contract with Charles Jones and on behalf of this Department for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to accept said report and adopt said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Parkkeepers' pay fixed.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That, commencing with the pay-roll of 16th inst. and thereafter, all members of the Police Force of this Department shall be known as Parkkeepers and their pay fixed as follows :

Captain, \$1,800 per annum.
Sergeants, \$3.25 per diem.
Roundsmen, \$3 per diem.
Parkkeepers, \$2.75 per diem.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Audit.

Commissioner WALES, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, presented the following reports :

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Brady, James, Estimate No. 1...	Mt. St. Vincent Refreshment House.....	\$1,303 65
Wootton, E. H., labor and materials...	Walks — Central Park and City Parks & Places.	1,287 26
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		\$2,590 91
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Mt. St. Vincent Refreshment House.....	\$1,303 65
Walks—Central Park and City Parks and Places.....	1,287 26
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	\$2,590 91
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Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of twenty-five hundred and ninety dollars and ninety-one cents.

(Signed)

S. H. WALES,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, November 12, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read, and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Olliffe—3.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

I. H. Dahlman, horse.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	\$275 00
Van Tassel & Kearney, phaeton.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	225 00
		\$500 00

Amounting to the sum of five hundred dollars.
(Signed)

S. H. WALES,
Auditing Committee.

November 12, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Olliffe—3.

Dougherty, E. J.—Fine.

Commissioner WALES, to whom was referred the matter of investigating the charges preferred against members of the Police Force of the Department, made a verbal report and recommended that Parkkeeper Edward J. Dougherty, charged with intoxication, be restored to duty, with loss of pay during the time he was suspended.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said recommendation, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Telegraph wires on 8th avenue.

On motion of Commissioner VIELE, it was

Resolved, That the parties having telegraph poles on the line of Eighth avenue, adjoining Central Park, be and hereby

are directed to replace them with insulated wires beneath the surface.

Adjournment.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it do adjourn to meet on Friday, 21st inst., at 10 A. M.

On motion, at 12.40 P. M., the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1884.

 ADJOURNED MEETING—10 A. M.

Present—Commissioner VIELE, President.

“ WALES.

“ CRIMMINS.

Parkkeepers' Uniform—Proposals.

At the hour of ten o'clock, Mr. E. G. Marsh, the representative of the Comptroller, being present, and the meeting open to the public, the President, in the presence of the representative of the Comptroller and such of the persons making proposals as were present, opened the estimate-box and publicly opened and read all the estimates or proposals which had been received in pursuance of advertisements published in the *City Record* for furnishing police uniform overcoats, as follows :

	Tredwell, Slote & Co.
115 overcoats, at \$26.....	\$2,990 00
10 “ “ 26.....	260 00
	\$3,250 00
Browning, King & Co.	
125 overcoats, at \$25.....	\$3,125 00
B. Stern & Son.	
115 overcoats, at \$21.20.....	\$2,438 00
10 “ “ 21.70.....	217 00
	\$2,655 00
W. D. Stryker & Co.	
10 overcoats, at \$22.10.....	\$221 00
115 “ “ 21.60.....	2,484 00
	\$2,705 00

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following communications were received :

Substitution of sureties—Westchester avenue.

From the Comptroller, in relation to the substitution of Frederick Folz in lieu of James J. Jones as surety on the proposal of Dennis W. Moran for regulating, etc., Westchester avenue.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the consent of this Department be and the same is hereby given to the substitution of Frederick Folz in lieu of James J. Jones, as one of the sureties on the contract awarded Dennis W. Moran for regulating, grading, etc., Westchester avenue.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Kingsbridge Association—Establishment of grades.

From the Secretary of the Kingsbridge Association, transmitting a copy of a resolution requesting this Department to establish the grades of streets at Kingsbridge as rapidly as practicable.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer.

Moller, G. H., and Godwin, J. H.—Establishment of grades.

From George H. Moller and Joseph H. Godwin, requesting this Department to establish the grades of Riverdale avenue, old Broadway, and Church street, at Kingsbridge.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer.

Harlem Bridge and Morrisania Railroad Co.—Extension of track.

From the President of the Harlem Bridge, Morrisania and Fordham Railway Co., stating the intention of said company

to lay car tracks along 138th street, under authority of chapter 892, Laws 1867, and asking permission from this Department to proceed with the work.

Referred to the Counsel to the Corporation for his opinion as to the powers and duties of this Department, in view of subsequent legislation.

Sherwood, J. H., and others—Widening of 110th street.

From John H. Sherwood, John Downey, and others, in relation to widening the roadway of 110th street, and requesting this Department to reduce the width of the Park sidewalk of the street for that purpose.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the sidewalk on 110th street, the northerly boundary of the Central Park, between 5th and 8th avenues, be narrowed and the curb set back 10 feet, leaving the sidewalk, including the wall coping, to a width of 16 feet 6 inches. That the wall along the northerly side of the Park be capped with an appropriate coping and mounted with a suitable iron fence, and that the property-owners be advised to apply to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for the appropriation of a sum of money sufficient to do the work.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following, as a substitute :

Resolved, That the whole subject of reducing the width of the Park sidewalk of 110th street be referred to the Engineer of Construction, to report at the next meeting of the Board and submit plans and estimates for widening the roadway 16 feet 6 inches and 10 feet, respectively.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said substitute, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Casino—Repairs to.

From William H. Radford, licensee of the Casino, in Central Park, in relation to painting and making repairs to that building and paid for from his license fee.

Commissioner VIELE moved that the subject of painting and repairing the Casino be referred to the Treasurer, with power.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

McGrath, Denis—Paving Willis avenue.

From Denis McGrath, contractor for paving Willis avenue, desiring to postpone the commencement of work until Spring.

On motion, the Secretary was directed to inform Denis McGrath, contractor, that this Board declines to reconsider its action of the 12th inst., and notify him to proceed with the work in accordance with the terms of his contract.

Hepp A.—For appointment.

From A. Hepp, applying for appointment to the position of Superintending Gardener in this Department.

Ordered filed.

Parkkeepers—Thanks for increase of pay.

From a committee of the force of Parkkeepers, returning thanks for the increase in their pay.

Ordered filed.

Police Tailors—For increase of pay.

From the Police Tailors, applying for an increase of pay.

Ordered filed.

Engineer of Construction.

From the Engineer of Construction :

1st. In relation to the work of grading 138th street, from St. Ann's avenue to College avenue.

Referred to Commissioner Crimmins.

Regulating, etc., 146th street.

2d. Submitting plans and specifications for regulating, grading, etc., 146th street, from North 3d avenue to Railroad avenue.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the plans and specifications for regulating, grading, etc., 146th street, from North 3d avenue to Railroad avenue, as this day submitted by the Engineer of Construction, be approved and ordered printed, and when so printed and approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation that the Secretary be directed to insert advertisements in the *City Record*, inviting proposals for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Triangle, North 3d and Willis avenues.

3d. Recommending that the triangle at the intersection of North 3d and Willis avenues at 148th street, shown on a diagram submitted by him, be paved, and that an order be issued to the contractor for paving Willis avenue to pave said triangle.

Commissioner WALES moved that the Treasurer be authorized to issue an order to the contractor for paving Willis avenue to pave the triangle at the intersection of Willis and North 3d avenues, at an expense of \$1.73½ per square yard.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Kelly, Hugh—Discharged.

4th. Reporting the suspension of Hugh Kelly, laborer, for intoxication.

On motion, Hugh Kelly, laborer, was discharged.

Topographical Engineer.

From the Topographical Engineer.

Sherman avenue.

1st. Submitting a plan and profile grade and monument map showing Sherman avenue, from E. 161st to E. 164th street.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That under and by virtue of the powers conferred on the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York, by chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, they do hereby establish the grades of Sherman avenue, between E. 161st street and E. 164th street, as shown on a map entitled, "Plan and Profile showing Sherman Avenue from E. 161st street to E. 164th street, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York," dated "New York, November 14, 1884," and signed "S. F. Chalfin, Topographical Engineer, D. P. P.," the same being such as the said Commissioners or a majority of them deem most conducive to the public good; and that the President be and he is hereby designated and directed to have prepared and to certify and file three similar plans and profiles of the same, in pursuance of the provisions of the law above cited.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Mott avenue, Railroad avenue, Spencer place, 144th, 149th, 150th streets.

2d. Submitting a grade and monument map showing Mott avenue, from Railroad avenue east to E. 150th street; Spencer place, from E. 144th to E. 150th street; E. 144th, 149th and

150th streets, from Mott avenue to Spencer place; also, a grade and monument map showing Trinity avenue, from E. 156th to E. 165th street.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That under and by virtue of the powers conferred on the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York, by chapter 457 of the Laws of 1884, they do hereby alter, classify and establish a certain avenue and place, and certain streets, of the width, extent, direction, grade and class, shown on a map or plan entitled "Plan and Profiles, showing Mott Avenue from Railroad Avenue, east, to 150th street; Spencer place, from 144th street to 150th street; 144th, 149th and 150th streets, from Mott Avenue to Spencer place, in the 23d Ward of the City of New York," dated New York, November 19, 1884, and signed S. F. Chalfin, Topographical Engineer, D. P. P.; and that the President be and he is hereby designated and directed to have prepared and to certify and file three similar plans and profiles of the same, in pursuance of the provisions of the law above cited.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That under and by virtue of the powers conferred on the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York, by chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, and chapter 457 of the Laws of 1884, they do hereby alter, classify, and establish a certain avenue of the width, extent, direction, grade and class, shown on a map or plan entitled "Plan and Profile showing Trinity Avenue, from E. 156th street to E. 165th street, in the 23d Ward of the City of New York," dated New York, November 19, 1884, and signed S. F. Chalfin, Topographical Engineer, D. P. P., and that the President be and he is hereby designated and directed to have prepared and to certify and file three similar plans and

profiles of the same, in pursuance of the provisions of the law above cited.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Works in progress.

3d. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards.

From the Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards.

1st. Recommending that two monitors and two horse rollers be detailed from Central Park to the 23d and 24th Wards, to assist on the work of macadamizing.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the matter be referred to the President, with power.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Kingsbridge Association—Riverdale Avenue.

2d. Reporting upon a resolution from the Kingsbridge Association, in relation to improving Riverdale avenue, from Bailey avenue to Broadway.

Ordered filed.

New England Society—Pilgrim Statue.

Commissioner WALES presented a communication from the New England Society in the City of New York, proposing to erect a monument in the Central Park, commemorative of the

landing of the Pilgrim Fathers at Plymouth Rock, December 22, 1620, and requesting this Department to take measures to receive it and assign for it a suitable site.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, it was

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to communicate with the Presidents of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the National Academy of Design, and N. Y. Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, requesting them to examine the monument proposed to be erected in Central Park by the New England Society, and report as to its merits as a work of art, and if the same be approved that a site be designated for the erection of said monument at a point facing the drive near 72d street and Fifth avenue.

On motion of Commissioner VIELE the whole subject of the designation of the site and the erection of the monument was referred to Commissioner Wales with power.

Audit.

Commissioner WALES, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, presented the following reports :

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

American Supply Co., waste.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....		\$5 50
Canda & Kane, Portland cement.....	Central Park Const.....	\$57 00	
	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	28 50	
		<hr/>	85 50
Coogan, Wm., monuments.....	Surveying, Laying- out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps.....		322 80
Kreischer, B. & Sons, fire brick.....	Central Park Const.....		7 50
Mitchell, A. H. & Bro., oats, corn, etc.	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....		366 52
Mitchell, A. H. & Bro., straw.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....		10 44
Mitchell, A. H. & Bro., hay, oats, etc.	Zoological Dept....		239 42
Seaman, W. L., marline.....	Riverside Avenue.		1 03

Seth Thomas Clock Co., clock	Harlem R. Bdgs.	\$5 25
Seymour, W. N. & Co., zinc and nails.	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$8 71
	Zoological Dept.	13 13
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		21 84
Seymour, W. N. & Co., sundries	Riverside Park.	16 53
Schoonmaker, S. A. & Co., paints, etc.	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	26 10
Schoonmaker, S. A. & Co., liquid dryer, etc	Riverside Park.	2 45
Raynolds, C. T. & Co., paints, etc.	Riverside Park.	28 50
Robitzek, G. & Bro., coal.	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	62 50
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		<u>\$1,201 88</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.	\$403 73
Maintenance 23d and 24th Wards	104 54
Central Park Construction.	64 50
Zoological Department.	252 55
Riverside Park	47 48
Harlem River Bridges.	5 25
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, etc	322 80
Riverside Avenue.	1 03
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	<u>\$1,201 88</u>

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of twelve hundred and one dollars and eighty-eight cents.

(Signed)

S. H. WALES,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, November 21, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof. as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bill, and submit the same to the Board for approval:

Boller, A. P., commissions.....	Const. Bridges over H. R....	\$1,643 05
		<u>\$1,643 05</u>

Amounting to the sum of sixteen hundred and forty-three dollars and five cents.

(Signed)

S. H. WALES

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, November 21, 1884.

The above-mentioned bill having been read and passed on, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve it, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit it to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bill, and submit the same to the Board for approval:

Dean, William E., Estimate No. 5....	Sewer etc., Lincoln avenue, between Harlem River and 134th street; and in South- ern Boulevard, between Lincoln and Willis avenues and Branch.....	\$1,269 69
		<u>\$1,269 69</u>

Amounting to the sum of twelve hundred and sixty-nine dollars and sixty-nine cents.

(Signed)

S. H. WALES,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, November 21, 1884.

The above-mentioned bill having been read and passed on, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve

it, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit it to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Allen, O'Grady & Co., Estimate No. 3..Sewer, Washing- ton Ave., bet. Brook Ave. and 139th Street....		\$3,795 92
American District Telegraph Co., services.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	131 45
American Supply Co., staples.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	6 00
Arnold, D. P., meat.....	Zoological Dept. . .	245 70
Brady, James, final estimate.....	Mount St. Vincent Refreshment House	1,593 35
Barron, James S. & Co., brooms, etc..	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$43 12
	Zoological Dept. . .	5 75
	Harlem R. Bdgs. . .	1 88
		50 75
Chalfin, S. F., petty disbursements. . .	Surveying, Laying out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps	\$34 53
	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	2 11
		36 64
Doak, George F., Estimate No. 1	Transverse Roads, Central Park...	7,594 57

Ferris, Edwin & Co., salt.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$2 75
Harlem Gas-light Co., gas	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	29 70
Howard & Morse, iron riddles.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	54
Keuffel & Esser, tapes, etc.....	Central Park Con- struction.....	\$24 00
	Drainage and Irri- gation of Central Park	4 00
		<hr/> 28 00
Keuffel & Esser, tapes, etc.	Surveys, Maps and Plans	26 32
Kelsey, Fred. W., shrubs, etc.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	193 10
McAllister, F. E., wheelbarrows.....	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places	229 50
McAllister, F. E., pick handles.....	Morningside Park.	10 50
McQuade, John, payment on accept- ance	Const. Bdgs. over Harlem River..	38,459 11
McQuade, John, payment on accept- ance	Const. Bdgs. over Harlem River ..	16,340 79
The Metropolitan Telephone and Tele- graph Co., rental, October....	Telephonic service.	312 50
The Metropolitan Gas light Co., gas...	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	88 65
Moran, Dennis, W., Estimate No. 3...	Regulating. etc., 148th St., from east curb-line N. 3d Avenue to west curb-line St. Ann's Ave..	3,240 86
Murray, Thos, payment on acceptance..	Sewer, Walton Ave., from 150th St. to a point 500 feet northerly therefrom	1,792 20

Murray, B. C., Estimate No. 2.....	Regulating, etc., 159th St., from west curb-line N. 3d Ave. to east curb-line Rail- road Avenue...		\$2,046 03
The New York Mutual Gas-light Co., gas.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....		45 45
Nesbit's Sons, John, cement, etc.....	Sewers and Drains.		40 00
O'Brien, M., milk.....	Zoological Dept...		14 88
O'Donnell & Treanor, coal.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$106 87	
	Zoological Dept...	42 30	
	Surveys, Maps and Plans	9 40	
	Entrances Central Park, at 8th Ave., 77th and 81st Streets....	2 75	
	Harlem R. Bdgs..	2 20	
	Mt. St. Vincent Refreshment House.....	1 10	
	Riverside Avenue.	83	
	Riverside Park...	55	
			166 00
Pratt Manufacturing Co., astral oil....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....		7 08
Pridgeon's Hamilton Bakery, bread, etc.....	Zoological Dept...		60 80
Pope & Klee, vegetables, etc.....	Zoological Dept...		30 48
Robitzek, G. & Bro., coal.....	Harlem R. Bdgs..		26 25
Rogers, H. A., steam packing.....	Harlem R. Bdgs..		27 00
Rubber Clothing Co., horse covers ...	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....		11 14
Estate Wm. Simpson, deceased, rent...	Rents, D. P. P...		120 00
Simmons, John, iron pipe.....	Paradise Park....		8 30
Schoonmaker, S. A. & Co., metallic paint.....	Riverside Park...		5 00
			<u>\$76,817 31</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.....	\$658 77
Zoological Department.....	399 91
Harlem River Bridges.....	57 33
Surveying, Laying out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps..	34 53
Street Improvements.....	10,875 01
Rents, Department Public Parks.....	120 00
Sewers and Drains.....	40 00
Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	37 83
Central Park, Construction.....	24 00
Drainage and Irrigation, Central Park.....	4 00
Entrances Central Park, at 8th Avenue, 77th and 81st Streets.....	2 75
Mount St. Vincent Refreshment House.....	1,594 45
Transverse Roads, Central Park.....	7,594 57
Riverside Avenue.....	83
Walks, Central Park, at 8th Avenue, 77th and 81st Streets.....	229 50
Morningside Park.....	10 50
Riverside Park.....	5 55
Paradise Park.....	8 30
Maintenance 23d and 24th Wards.....	7 08
Telephonic Service.....	312 50
Construction Bridges over Harlem River.....	54,799 90
	\$76,817 31

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of seventy-six thousand eight hundred and seventeen dollars and thirty-one cents.

(Signed)

S. H. WALES,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, November 21, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the President moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Civil Service—Examination of Keepers.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Civil Service Commission be requested to name the earliest practicable day, and inform this Department, when an examination of candidates for appointment on the force of Parkkeepers will be had, the urgency of this examination being demanded by the necessity for an increase of the force of Keepers in order to maintain the efficiency of the Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Parkkeepers' Overcoats—Contract awarded.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the proposal of B. Stern & Son for furnishing Parkkeepers' uniform overcoats at \$21.20 each, and officers' overcoats at \$21.70, amounting in the aggregate to \$2,655.00 as this day received, be accepted as the lowest and most advantageous bid ; that the proposal be sent to the Comptroller for his approval of the sureties thereon, and when so approved, that the President be authorized to enter into a contract with B. Stern & Son for furnishing such overcoats.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Riverside Avenue—Assessment.

Commissioner WALES, to whom was referred the subject of plans for the completion of Riverside avenue, between 85th and 88th streets, made a verbal report and stated that in view of the constitutional amendment as recently adopted, and the communication from his Honor the Mayor, as published in the *City Record*, that not only the completion of this work

but the collection of the assessment for the work already done were both of great importance, and offered the following :

Whereas, Riverside avenue has been constructed at an expense up to this time of \$606,983.75, leaving the bridge connecting the drive from 85th to 88th street a temporary structure ; and

Whereas, In view of the communication of his Honor the Mayor, of November 12, 1884, to the Counsel to the Corporation, seeking information in relation to the debt of the city and the effect of the new constitutional amendment upon future improvements,

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be requested to furnish this Department with his opinion whether an assessment can be levied for the improvement of Riverside avenue, as already done, leaving the completion of that portion between 85th and 88th streets for further consideration, in order that if a favorable opinion is received, the amount due under the assessment for this work may be collected and the city debt reduced to that amount.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Riverside Avenue—Plans for Completion.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the Engineer of Construction be directed to prepare plans and estimates for the completion of Riverside avenue, between 85th and 88th streets, and for an embankment wall at 86th street, providing for two roads underneath, to be used for business purposes.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Brook Avenue Sewer Assessment.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Whereas, A sewer has been constructed in Brook avenue, between tide water and 165th street, in the 23d Ward, at an expense of \$305,230.93, and

Whereas, The assessment list for said work was prepared and sent to the Board of Assessors on January 15, 1884, and on February 5, 1884, returned by said Board of Assessors with a communication from its Chairman stating that it would be unwise to levy the assessment until the whole improvement is complete ; and

Whereas, The contract for the second section of this sewer, between 165th street and 184th street, has just been commenced, and will require in all probability two years to complete it ; and

Whereas, Title to the land for a further section of this sewer has not yet been acquired by the city ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be requested to furnish this Department with his opinion whether an assessment cannot be levied for the work already done and for which assessment lists have been already prepared, in order that the city may be reimbursed for its outlay and the city debt reduced to that extent.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said preamble and resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Pavement at Barge Office.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Whereas, It is represented that the United States Government has entered into a contract to pave with granite-block pavement the roadway leading into the new Barge Office at Battery Park ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to strike from the estimate of this Department for the year 1885 the sum of \$7,500, as therein contained for paving this roadway.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Swan—Purchase of.

Commissioner WALES presented a communication from Mrs. Mary E. Smith, offering a swan for sale, and recommended that the same be purchased by the Department at an expense of \$20.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said recommendation, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Bicycles. }
Tricycles. }

On motion of Commissioner VIELE, it was

Resolved, That the holders of permits for the use of bicycles be allowed on the West drive in Central Park, between 59th and 72d streets ; and that the holders of permits for the use of tricycles be permitted on the Riverside drive, the riding of two tricycles abreast being prohibited.

Bertholf H.—Expenses Central Bridge.

Commissioner CRIMMINS presented a bill of H. Bertholf, bridge tender, amounting to \$172.50, for extra help to keep the draw of Central Bridge open twenty-four hours each day during the months of September and October, 1884, which was referred to the Auditing Committee.

Executive Session.

On motion, at 12.15 p. m., the Board went into executive session.

Graham, C. H.—Pay fixed.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the salary of Charles H. Graham, Assistant, be and hereby is fixed at \$1,500 per annum, to date from December 1, 1884.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Mason, F. H. D.—Pay fixed.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the pay of F. H. D. Mason, skilled laborer, be and hereby is fixed at \$3.00 per day from this date.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Fallon, Peter.)
McGrath, Martin.)
Casey, Henry.)

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the following-named persons be and they are hereby restored to duty :

Peter Fallon, painter.
Martin McGrath, blacksmith.
Henry Casey, laborer.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Koch, Herman—Pay fixed.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the pay of Herman Koch, Assistant, be and hereby is fixed at \$3.00 per day from this date.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Skate Building—Harlem Meer.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the election of a temporary skate building at the Harlem Meer in Central Park, be and the same is hereby authorized, at an expense not to exceed \$1,000.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Masons, } Employment authorized.
Rockmen, }

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the employment of four stone masons and four rockmen be and hereby is authorized for work on Transverse road No. 2, crossing Central Park.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Fifth avenue fence—97th to 102d street.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the Superintendent of Park be directed to erect a fence on the 5th avenue line of Central Park, from

97th street to 102d street, the expense of the same to be charged to "Construction."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Charges against Keepers.

Commissioner WALES, to whom was referred the subject of investigating charges preferred against members of the police force of the Department, made a verbal report and recommended as follows :

Holt, William.

1st. That William Holt be fined one day's pay for being absent without leave.

McGonigle, Henry.

2d. That Henry McGonigle be fined one day's pay for being absent without leave.

Harrigan, Cornelius.

3d. That Cornelius Harrigan be fined one-half day's pay for being absent from roll-call.

McGonigle, Henry.

4th. That Henry McGonigle be fined one-half day's pay for being absent from roll-call.

McDonald, J. J.

5th. That John J. McDonald be fined one-half day's pay for violation of rules.

McGuire, Thomas.

6th. That Thomas McGuire be fined one-half day's pay for being absent from roll-call.

Hall, George.

7th. That the charge of "violation of rules" against George Hall be dismissed.

Cunningham, Charles.

8th. That the charge of "not properly patrolling his post" against Charles Cunningham be dismissed, and that he be cautioned to be vigilant in the future.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said recommendations, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it do adjourn to meet on Tuesday next, 25th inst., at 10 A. M.

Carpenters to be Restored.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the President be authorized to restore to duty such carpenters whose services may be required for work on the skate-house to be constructed at the Harlem Meer and the fence to be erected along 5th avenue, between 97th and 102d streets.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Adjournment.

On motion, at 1.05 P. M., the executive session arose and the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1884.

ADJOURNED MEETING—10 A. M.

Present—Commissioner VIELE, President.

“ WALES.
“ CRIMMINS.
“ OLLIFFE.

At the hour of ten o'clock, Mr. E. G. Marsh, the representative of the Comptroller, being present, and the meeting open to the public, the PRESIDENT, in the presence of the representative of the Comptroller, and such of the persons making proposals as were present, opened the estimate-box and publicly opened and read all the estimates or proposals which had been received in accordance with advertisements published in the *City Record* for the following works namely :

No. 1. For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging the sidewalks four feet wide, and laying crosswalks in East 136th street, between the easterly curb-line of North 3d avenue and the westerly curb-line of Brook avenue.

No. 2. For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging the sidewalks four feet wide and laying crosswalks in East 137th street, between the easterly curb-line of North 3d avenue and the westerly curb-line of Brook avenue.

No. 3. For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging the sidewalks four feet wide, and laying crosswalks in East 151st street, between the westerly curb-line of

North 3d avenue and the easterly curb-line of Courtland avenue.

No. 4. For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging the sidewalks four feet wide, and laying crosswalks, in East 154th street, between the western curb-line of North 3d avenue and the eastern curb-line of Courtland avenue.

No. 5. For constructing a sewer and appurtenances in 162d street, between Brook and Courtland avenues, with a branch in Courtland avenue, between 162d and 161st streets.

No. 6. For constructing a sewer and appurtenances in 170th street, between North 3d avenue and Franklin avenue, with a branch in Fulton avenue, between 170th and 169th streets.

No. 7. For constructing a sewer and appurtenances in Westchester avenue, from Brook to St. Ann's avenue, with branches in St. Ann's avenue, between the Port Morris Branch Railroad and Carr street.

Table of Bids for Regulating, Grading, Setting Curb and Gutter Stones, Flagging the Sidewalks four feet wide, and Laying Crosswalks in East 136th Street, between the Easterly Curb-line of North 3d Avenue and the Westerly Curb-line of Brook Avenue.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2		3		4	
			THOS. CAVANAGH AND CHAS. H. NICOLL.		JOHN SLATTERY.		JOHN REDMOND.		ALLEN, O'GRADY & Co.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Earth excavation.....	5,800 cub. yds.	\$0 30	\$1,740 00	\$0 45	\$2,610 00	\$0 41	\$2,378 00	\$0 24	\$1,392 00
2	Rock excavation.....	6,500 "	1 45	9,425 00	1 50	9,750 00	2 25	14,625 00	1 10	7,150 00
3	Filling.....	2,700 "	25	675 00	10	270 00	55	1,485 00	10	270 00
4	New curb-stone furnished and set.....	2,450 lin. feet.	52	1,274 00	60	1,470 00	62½	1,531 25	47	1,151 50
5	Old curb-stone reset.....	2,070 "	05	103 50	15	310 50	04	82 80	03	62 10
6	New gutter-stone furnished and laid.....	2,480 "	24	595 20	22	545 60	23½	582 80	18	446 40
7	Old gutter-stone relaid.....	2,140 "	05	107 00	01	21 40	02½	48 15	01	21 40
8	New flagging furnished and laid.....	12,300 sq. feet.	22	2,706 00	23	2,829 00	23½	2,859 75	20	2,460 00
9	Old flagging relaid.....	5,200 "	02	104 00	03	156 00	01	52 00	01½	78 00
10	New bridge stones for crosswalks furnished and laid.....	560 "	60	336 00	55	308 00	1 12½	628 60	39	218 40
11	Time for completion, at \$3 per day.....	Days. 130	390 00	Days. 100	300 00	Days. 90	270 00	Days. 100	300 00
	Totals.....	\$17,455 70	\$18,570 50	\$24,543 35	\$13,549 80

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Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	5		6		7		8		9	
			C. M. LAWSON.		B. C. MURRAY.		JOHN McQUADE.		BERNARD MAHON.		PATRICK FARLEY.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Earth excavation	5,800 cub. yds.	\$0 30	\$1,740 00	\$0 35	\$2,030 00	\$0 15	\$870 00	\$0 45	\$2,610 00	\$0 60	\$3,480 00
2	Rock excavation	6,500 "	1 20	7,800 00	1 00	6,500 00	1 05	6,825 00	1 25	8,125 00	1 50	9,750 00
3	Filling	2,700 "	35	945 00	20	540 00	25	675 00	01	27 00	47	1,269 00
4	New curb-stone furnished } and set	2,450 lin. feet.	50	1,225 00	50	1,225 00	50	1,225 00	57	1,396 50	60	1,470 00
5	Old curb-stone reset		2,070 "	06	124 20	10	207 00	03	62 10	10	207 00	10	207 00
6	New gutter-stone furnish- } ed and laid	2,480 "	20	496 00	20	496 00	23	570 40	20	496 00	20	496 00
7	Old gutter-stone relaid		2,140 "	02	42 80	03	64 20	02	42 80	01	21 40	10	214 00
8	New flagging furnished } and laid	12,300 sq. feet.	24	2,952 00	20	2,460 00	19	2,337 00	22	2,706 00	22	2,706 00
9	Old flagging relaid		5,200 "	05	260 00	03	156 00	02	104 00	05	260 00	05	260 00
10	New bridge-stones for } crosswalks furnished } and laid	560 "	50	280 00	42	235 20	55	308 00	45	252 00	50	280 00
11	Time for completion, at } \$3 per day		Days. 100	300 00	Days. 135	405 00	Days. 175	525 00	Days. 200	600 00	Days. 300	900 00
	Totals	\$16,165 00	\$14,318 40	\$13,544 30	\$16,700 90	\$21,033 00

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Table of Bids for Regulating, Grading, Setting Curb and Gutter Stones, Flagging the Sidewalks four feet wide, and Laying Crosswalks in East 13th Street, between the Easterly Curb-line of North 3d Avenue and the Westerly Curb-line of Brook Avenue.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2		3		4		5		6	
			JOHN SLATTERY.		CASPER N. LAWSON.		JOHN REDMOND.		BERNARD MAHON.		JOHN MCQUADE.		DENIS MCGRATH.	
			Price.	Amount	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Earth excavation.....	2,700 cu. yds.	\$0 40	\$1,080 00	\$0 35	\$945 00	\$0 42½	\$1,147 50	\$0 01	\$27 00	\$0 15	\$405 00	\$0 27	\$729 00
2	Rock excavation.....	1,800 "	1 50	2,700 00	1 15	2,070 00	2 35	4,290 00	1 25	2,250 00	1 05	1,890 00	99	1,782 00
3	Filling.....	6,100 "	38	2,318 00	35	2,135 00	55	3,355 00	45	2,745 00	30	1,830 00	33	2,013 00
4	New curb-stone furnished and set.....	2,800 lin. ft.	60	1,680 00	55	1,540 00	65½	1,834 00	57	1,596 00	45	1,260 00	57	1,596 00
5	Old curb-stone reset.....	1,190 "	15	178 50	08	95 20	07	83 30	08	95 20	03	35 70	03½	41 65
6	New gutter-stone furnished and laid.....	2,950 "	20	590 00	22	649 00	24½	722 75	20	590 00	23	678 50	19	560 50
7	Old gutter-stone relaid.....	1,160 "	03	34 80	04	46 40	02¼	26 10	01	11 60	02	23 20	01½	17 40
8	New flagging furnished and laid.....	13,300 sq. ft.	24	2,192 00	22	2,926 00	24½	3,258 50	20	2,660 00	21	2,798 00	23½	3,125 50
9	Old flagging relaid.....	2,250 "	05	112 50	08	180 00	01¼	28 12	03	67 50	02	45 00	01½	33 75
10	New bridge-stones for crosswalks furnished and laid.....	550 "	60	330 00	50	275 00	1 10	605 00	45	247 50	50	275 00	44	242 00
11	Time for completion, at \$3.00 per day.....		Days. 100	300 00	Days. 60	180 00	Days. 75	225 00	Days. 75	225 00	Days. 100	300 00	Days. 75	225 00
	Totals.....		....	\$12,515 80	....	\$11,041 60	....	\$15,515 27	....	\$10,514 80	....	\$9,535 40	....	\$10,365 80

Table of Bids for Regulating, Grading, Setting Curb and Gutter Stones, Flagging the Sidewalks four feet wide, and Laying Crosswalks in East 137th Street, between the Easterly Curb-line of North 3d Avenue and the Westerly Curb-line of Brook Avenue.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	7		8		9		10		11	
			THOS. CAVANAGH AND CHAS. H. NICOLL.		PATRICK REILLY.		FERDINAND V. MORRISON.		ALLEN, O'GRADY & Co.		B. C. MURRAY.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Earth excavation.....	2,700 cu. yds.	\$0 30	\$810 00	\$0 20	\$540 00	\$0 20	\$540 00	\$0 28	\$756 00	\$0 35	\$945 00
2	Rock excavation.....	1,800 "	1 45	2,610 00	1 45	2,610 00	1 25	2,250 00	1 15	2,070 00	1 00	1,800 00
3	Filling.....	6,100 "	25	1,525 00	45	2,745 00	32	1,952 00	20	1,220 00	25	1,525 00
4	New curb-stone furnished and set.....	2,800 lin. ft.	52	1,456 00	55	1,540 00	51	1,428 00	47	1,316 00	50	1,400 00
5	Old curb-stone reset.....	1,190 "	05	59 50	05	59 50	08	35 70	03	35 70	10	119 00
6	New gutter-stone fur- nished and laid.....	2,950 "	24	708 00	07	206 50	20	500 00	18	531 00	20	590 00
7	Old gutter-stone relaid.....	1,160 "	05	58 00	01	11 60	02	23 20	01	11 60	02	23 20
8	New flagging furnished and laid.....	13,350 sq. ft.	22	2,926 00	16	2,128 00	22½	2,932 50	20	2,660 00	20	2,660 00
9	Old flagging relaid.....	2,250 "	02	45 00	02	45 00	01	22 50	01½	33 75	03	67 50
10	New bridge-stones for crosswalks furnished and laid.....	550 "	60	330 00	60	330 00	40	220 00	39	214 50	40	220 00
11	Time for completion, at \$3 per day.....	.....	Days. 100	300 00	Days. 150	450 00	Days. 150	450 00	Days. 100	300 00	Days. 95	285 00
	Totals.....	.....	.....	\$10,827 50	.....	\$10,665 60	.....	\$10,503 90	.....	\$9,148 55	.....	\$9,634 70

Table of Bids for Regulating, Grading, Setting Curb and Gutter Stones, Flagging the Sidewalks four feet wide, and Laying Crosswalks in East 151st Street, between the Westerly Curb-line of North 3d Avenue and the Easterly Curb-line of Courtland Avenue.

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Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1.		2.		3.		4.		5.	
			B. C. MURRAY.		DENNIS W. MORAN.		J. D. MOORE.		STILES M. SAUNDERS.		JOHN REDMOND.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Excavation of any and all kinds	700 cubic yards.	\$0 50	\$350 00	\$0 40	\$280 00	\$0 40	\$280 00	\$0 25	\$175 00	\$0 78	\$546 00
2	Filling.....	100 "	01	1 00	20	20 00	20	20 00	25	25 00	60	60 00
3	New curb-stone furnished and set.....	750 lineal feet.	52	390 00	50	375 00	58	535 00	50	375 00	71	532 50
4	Old curb-stone reset.....	800 "	10	80 00	12	96 00	09	72 00	05	40 00	01½	36 00
5	New gutter-stone furnished and laid.....	750 "	20	150 00	17	127 50	20	150 00	17	127 50	26	195 00
6	Old gutter-stone relaid.....	800 "	03	24 00	02	16 00	03	24 00	01	8 00	02½	20 00
7	New flagging furnished and laid.....	4,500 square feet.	21	945 00	20	900 00	23	1,035 00	20	900 00	26	1,170 00
8	Old flagging relaid.....	1,600 "	03	48 00	02	32 00	03	48 00	02	32 00	04½	24 00
9	New bridge-stone for crosswalks furnished and laid.....	400 "	60	240 00	46	184 00	43	172 00	56	224 00	1 10	440 00
10	Time for completion, at \$3 00 per day		Days. 30	90 00	Days. 25	75 00	Days 35	105 00	Days. 30	90 00	Days. 20	60 00
	Totals.....			\$2,318 00		\$2,105 50		\$2,341 00		\$1,996 50		\$3,083 50

Table of Bids for Regulating, Grading, Setting Curb and Gutter Stones, and Flagging the Sidewalks, four feet wide, and Laying Crosswalks in East 154th Street, between the Western Curb-line of North 3d Avenue and the Eastern Curb-line of Courtland Avenue.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2		3		4	
			B. C. MURRAY.		JOHN REDMOND.		J. D. MOORE.		DENNIS W. MORAN.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Excavation of any and all kinds.....	1,700 cub. yds.	\$0 35	\$595 00	\$0 69	\$1,173 00	\$0 40	\$680 00	\$0 40	\$680 00
2	New curb-stone furnished and set.....	1,960 lin. ft.	52	1,019 20	68	1,332 80	58	1,136 80	50	980 00
3	Old curb-stone reset.....	100 "	10	10 00	02½	2 50	09	9 00	10	10 00
4	New gutter-stone furnished and laid.....	1,960 "	20	392 00	25½	499 80	20	392 00	16	313 60
5	Old gutter-stone relaid.....	100 "	03	3 00	02½	2 50	04	4 00	02	2 00
6	New flagging furnished and laid.....	7,900 sq. ft.	22	1,738 00	25	1,975 00	23	1,817 00	20	1,580 00
7	Old flagging relaid.....	475 "	03	14 25	01	4 75	02	9 50	02	9 50
8	New bridge-stones for crosswalks furnished and laid.....	400 "	60	240 00	1 05	420 00	42	168 00	49	196 00
9	Time for completion, at \$3.00 per day.....	.....	Days. 60	180 00	Days. 19	57 00	Days. 40	120 00	Days. 30	90 00
	Totals.....	.....	.....	\$4,191 45	.....	\$5,467 35	.....	\$4,336 30	...	\$3,861 10

Table of Bids for Constructing a Sewer and Appurtenances in 162d Street, between Brook and Courtland Avenues, with a Branch in Courtland Avenue, between 162d and 161st Streets.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2		3		4		5		6	
			MICHAEL EGAN.		BERNARD MAHON.		JOHN REDMOND.		JOSEPH MOORE.		ALLEN, O'GRADY & Co.		B. C. MURRAY.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Brick sewer, egg-shaped, 36 x 54 in., including rubble masonry cradle and exclusive of spurs.....	800 lin. ft.	\$8 00	\$6,400 00	\$8 50	\$6,800 00	\$5 96	\$4,768 00	\$6 00	\$4,800 00	\$6 20	\$4,960 00	\$8 00	\$6,400 00
2	12-in. pipe sewer, including concrete cradle and exclusive of spurs.....	750 "	2 36	1,770 00	3 00	2,250 00	1 40	1,050 00	2 90	2,175 00	1 70	1,275 00	2 50	1,875 00
3	Spurs for house connections.....	160	70	112 00	40	64 00	54	86 40	20	32 00	70	112 00	60	96 00
4	Manholes complete.....	16	45 00	720 00	45 00	720 00	68 40	1,094 40	50 00	800 00	47 00	752 00	50 00	800 00
5	Receiving-basins complete.....	6	100 00	600 00	200 00	1,200 00	148 80	892 80	150 00	900 00	130 00	780 00	150 00	900 00
6	Rock excavated and removed.....	700 cub. yds.	3 75	2,625 00	4 00	2,800 00	3 42	2,394 00	3 50	2,450 00	4 00	2,800 00	3 50	2,450 00
7	Lumber furnished and laid.....	2,500 ft. (B.M.)	20 00	50 00	20 00	50 00	24 00	60 00	25 00	62 50	25 00	62 50	30 00	50 00
8	Concrete in place, exclusive of cradle for pipe sewer.....	50 cub. yds.	50	25 00	2 00	100 00	4 30	215 00	2 00	100 00	5 00	250 00	3 00	150 00
9	Time for completion, at \$4 per day.....		Days. 40	160 00	Days. 60	240 00	Days. 70	280 00	Days. 110	440 00	Days. 60	240 00	Days. 95	380 00
	Totals.....		\$12,462 00	\$14,224 00	\$10,840 60	\$11,759 50	\$11,231 50	\$13,101 00

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Table of Bids for Constructing a Sewer and Appurtenances in 170th Street, between North 3d Avenue and Franklin Avenue, with a Branch in Fulton Avenue, between 170th and 169th Streets.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2		3		4		5		6	
			B. C. MURRAY.		ALLEN, O'GRADY & Co.		MICHAEL CASEY.		JOSEPH MOORE.		BERNARD MAHON.		JOHN REDMOND.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	18-inch pipe sewer, including concrete cradle and exclusive of spurs.	480 lin. feet.	\$3 75	\$1,800 00	\$2 40	\$1,152 00	\$5 00	\$2,400 00	\$3 50	\$1,680 00	\$3 00	\$1,440 00	\$2 45	\$1,176 00
2	12-inch pipe sewer, including concrete cradle and exclusive of spurs.	1,390 "	3 20	4,448 00	1 70	2,363 00	5 00	6,950 00	3 20	4,448 00	3 00	4,170 00	1 71	2,376 90
3	Spurs for house connections.	244	50	122 00	1 10	268 40	50	122 00	40	97 60	40	97 60	2 04	497 76
4	Manholes complete.	21	50 00	1,050 00	55 00	1,155 00	100 00	2,100 00	50 00	1,050 00	45 00	945 00	68 40	1,436 40
5	Receiving-basins complete.	2	150 00	300 00	125 00	250 00	300 00	600 00	200 00	400 00	200 00	400 00	149 40	298 80
6	Rock excavated and removed.	2,800 cub. yds.	3 25	9,100 00	3 70	10,360 00	1 00	2,800 00	3 60	10,080 00	4 00	11,200 00	3 59	9,492 00
7	Lumber furnished and laid.	1,000 feet B. M.	20 00	20 00	30 00	30 00	5 00	5 00	25 00	25 00	20 00	20 00	24 00	24 00
8	Concrete in place, exclusive of cradle for pipe sewers.	20 cub. yds.	3 00	60 00	5 00	100 00	2 00	40 00	2 00	40 00	2 00	40 00	4 20	84 00
9	Time for completion, at \$4 per day.		Days. 95	380 00	Days. 125	500 00	Days. 200	800 00	Days. 250	1,000 00	Days. 150	600 00	Days. 98	392 00
	Totals.		....	\$17,280 00	....	\$16,178 40	....	\$15,817 00	....	\$18,820 60	....	\$18,912 60	....	\$15,777 86

Table of Bids for Constructing a Sewer and Appurtenances in Westchester Avenue, from Brook to St. Ann's Avenue, with Branches in St. Ann's Avenue, between the Port Morris Branch Railroad and Carr Street.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2		3		4	
			ALLEN, O'GRADY & Co.		BERNARD MAHON.		JOHN REDMOND.		MICHAL EGAN.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Brick sewer, egg shaped, 20" x 30", including rubble masonry cradle, and exclusive of spurs	572 lin. ft.	\$5 00	\$2,860 00	\$5 00	\$2,860 00	\$3 35	\$1,916 20	\$5 00	\$2,860 00
2	18" pipe sewer, including concrete foundation and cradle, and exclusive of spurs	10 "	2 70	27 00	3 00	30 00	2 93	29 30	2 75	27 50
3	15" pipe sewer, including concrete foundation and cradle, and exclusive of spurs	515 "	2 40	1,236 00	3 00	1,545 00	2 28	1,174 20	2 56	1,318 40
4	12" pipe sewer, including concrete foundation and cradle, and exclusive of spurs	950 "	2 20	2,090 00	3 00	2,850 00	1 97	1,871 50	2 36	2,242 00
5	Spurs for house connections	250	1 20	300 00	40	100 00	1 15	287 50	50	125 00
6	Manholes complete	23	55 00	1,265 00	45 00	1,035 00	76 70	1,764 16	45 00	1,035 00
7	Receiving-basins complete	2	125 00	250 00	200 00	400 00	163 00	326 00	125 00	250 00
8	Rock excavated and removed	30 cu. yds.	6 00	180 00	4 00	120 00	3 64	109 20	4 00	120 00
9	Lumber furnished and laid	2,000 ft. (B.M.)	25 00	50 00	20 00	40 00	26 00	52 00	20 00	40 00
10	Concrete in place, exclusive of cradle for pipe sewers	10 cu. yds.	5 00	50 00	2 00	20 00	3 90	39 00	50	5 00
11	Time for completion, at \$4 per day		70 00	280 00	30 00	120 00	74 00	296 00	30 00	120 00
	Totals			\$8,588 00		\$9,120 00		\$7,865 00		\$8,142 90

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Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	5		6		7	
			JOSEPH MOORE.		J. D. MOORE.		B. C. MURRAY.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Brick sewer, egg shaped, 20"x30", including rubble masonry cradle, and exclusive of spurs.....	572 lin. ft.	\$3 50	\$2,002 00	\$5 00	\$2,860 00	\$6 00	\$3,432 00
2	18" pipe sewer, including concrete foundation and cradle, and exclusive of spurs.....	10 "	3 00	30 00	4 00	40 00	4 00	40 00
3	15" pipe sewer, including concrete foundation and cradle, and exclusive of spurs.....	515 "	3 00	1,545 00	4 00	2,060 00	3 20	1,648 00
4	12" pipe sewer, including concrete foundation and cradle, and exclusive of spurs.....	950 "	2 90	2,755 00	4 00	3,800 00	2 70	2,565 00
5	Spurs for house connections.....	250	20	50 00	3 00	750 00	60	150 00
6	Manholes complete.....	23	50 00	1,150 00	75 00	1,725 00	50 00	1,150 00
7	Receiving basins complete.....	2	150 00	300 00	120 00	240 00	150 00	300 00
8	Rock excavated and removed.....	30 cu. yds.	3 00	90 00	6 00	180 00	2 00	60 00
9	Lumber furnished and laid.....	2,000 ft. (B.M.)	25 00	50 00	25 00	50 00	20 00	40 00
10	Concrete in place, exclusive of cradle for pipe sewers.....	10 cu. yds.	2 00	20 00	4 00	40 00	3 00	30 00
11	Time for completion, at \$4 per day.....		Days. 80	320 00	Days. 40 00	160 00	Days. 70	280 00
	Totals.....			\$8,312 00		\$11,905 00		\$9,695 00

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On motion, at 11 A. M., the Board adjourned to meet on
Wednesday, 26th inst., at 10 A. M.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1884.

ADJOURNED MEETING—10 A. M.

Present—Commissioner VIELE, President.
“ WALES.
“ CRIMMINS.

On motion, the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

Watchmen.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the Superintendent of Parks be and he is hereby authorized and directed to transfer from the maintenance force eight laborers, to do duty as watchmen under the Captain of Police, and to be paid out of the appropriation for police salaries.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmings—3.

Contracts awarded.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That contracts for work for which proposals were received and opened on 25th inst. be awarded as follows :

No. 1. For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging the sidewalks four feet wide, and laying crosswalks in East

136th street, between the easterly curb-line of North 3d avenue and the westerly curb-line of Brook avenue, to John McQuade,...	\$13,544 30
No. 2. For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging the sidewalks four feet wide, and laying crosswalks in East 137th street between the easterly curb-line of North 3d avenue and the westerly curb-line of Brook avenue, to Allen, O'Grady & Co	9,148 55
No. 3. For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging the sidewalks four feet wide, and laying crosswalks in East 151st street, between the westerly curb-line of North 3d avenue and the easterly curb-line of Courtland avenue, to Stiles M. Saunders	1,996 50
No. 4. For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging the sidewalks four feet wide, and laying crosswalks, in East 154th street, between the western curb-line of North 3d avenue and the eastern curb-line of Courtland avenue, to Dennis W. Moran	3,861 10
No. 5. For constructing a sewer and appurtenances in 162d street, between Brook and Courtland avenues, with a branch in Courtland avenue, between 162d and 161st streets, to John Redmond	10,840 60
No. 6. For constructing a sewer and appurtenances in 170th street, between North 3d avenue and Franklin avenue, with a branch in Fulton avenue, between 170th and 169th streets, to John Redmond	15,777 86
No. 7. For constructing a sewer and appurtenances in Westchester avenue, from Brook to St. Ann's avenue, with branches in St. Ann's avenue, between the Port Morris Branch Railroad and Carr street, to John Redmond	7,865 00

—they being the lowest bidders for said several works ; that

the proposals be sent to the Comptroller for his approval of sureties ; when so approved, that contracts be entered into with the afore-mentioned parties for doing said several works, and that the President be authorized to sign said contracts on behalf of the Department, and appoint Inspectors on the works when they are required.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Bridge over Harlem River above High Bridge—Engineers.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Whereas, This Board did by resolution under date of September 23, 1884, authorize the appointment of three engineers to give their opinion upon the merits of the several plans for a bridge over the Harlem river above High Bridge, and,

Whereas, The said resolution is inoperative, for the reason that no measure of compensation has been fixed, or can now be fixed for such service until it be ascertained that the City can, under the recent constitutional amendment, lawfully issue bonds to provide for such payment, and,

Whereas, The Mayor and Counsel to the Corporation are now engaged in an inquiry upon this important subject, therefore,

Resolved, That the above-mentioned resolution be and the same is hereby rescinded.

Commissioner VIELE moved to amend said resolution by adding thereto the words "unless the gentlemen named will agree to perform the services without compensation."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said amendment, and it was determined in the negative, a majority of all of the members of the Board not voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins—2.

No—Commissioner Wales—1.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said original preamble and resolution, and it was determined in the negative, a majority of all of the members of the Board not voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Aye—Commissioner Wales—1.

Noes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins—2.

8th avenue wall, 77th and 81st street entrances.

The PRESIDENT presented a design for an enclosing wall with railing to complete the entrance at 8th avenue and 77th and 81st streets.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the design for an enclosing wall and railing for completing the entrances at Eighth avenue and Seventy-seventh street, as submitted this day by the President, be approved, and the contract and specifications ordered printed ; and when so printed and approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation, that the Secretary be directed to insert advertisements in the *City Record* inviting proposals for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Belvedere Clock and Chimes.

On motion, the subject of a clock and chimes for the tower of the Belvedere in Central Park, was referred to Commissioners Viele and Crimmins to report upon.

Audit.

Commissioner WALES, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, presented the following report :

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

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Brewster & Co., repairs.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....		\$98 18
Harmer, Hays, & Co., sundries.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....		4 66
Holbrook Brothers, glass.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....		81 00
McDonald & Kilduff, base stone, etc..	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....		29 50
McAllister, F. E., shovels, etc.....	Morningside Park.		45 75
McGrath, Denis, estimate No. 1.....	Paving with Trap Blocks, 143 d St., from Alex- ander to Brook Avenue.....		2,702 70
Mott, J. L., Iron Works, The, scorcher, etc.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	\$10 00	
	Central Park, Construction....	4 13	
			14 13
Moffat, David, & Co, harness leather..	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....		7 60
N. Y. Coal Tar Chemical Co., paving cement.....	Walks, Central Park, and City Parks and Places.....		219 13
Robitzek, G. & Brothers, coal.....	Harlem R. Bdgs.. Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....		57 75 45 25
Steers Brothers, lumber.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....		395 44
Schoonmaker, S. & Co., paints, putty, etc.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	\$154 46	
	Harlem R. Bdgs..	2 00	
			156 46
Schoonmaker, S. A. & Co., varnish...	Riverside Park...		19 00
			<u>\$3,876 55</u>

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Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.....	\$826 09	
Harlem River Bridges.....	59 75	
Central Park, Construction.....	4 13	
Walks, Central Park and City Parks and Places.....	219 13	
Morningside Park.....	45 75	
Riverside Park.....	19 00	
Street Improvements.....	2,702 70	
		<u>\$3,876 55</u>

Amounting to the sum of three thousand eight hundred and seventy-six dollars and fifty-five cents.

(Signed)

S. H. WALES,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, November 25, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read, and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

On motion, at 10.35 A. M., the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,

Secretary.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1884.

REGULAR MEETING—10 A. M.

Present—Commissioner VIELE, President.

“ WALES.

“ CRIMMINS.

“ OLLIFFE.

The minutes of the meetings held November 21, 25 and 26, were read, whereupon

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the same be approved.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

No—Commissioner Olliffe—1.

The following communications were received :

Swan boats on lake.

From James Thompson and Josiah A. Osgood, applying for a license to place and operate “swan velocipede boats” on the Central Park lake.

Referred to Commissioner Wales.

Sewer basins—Riverside avenue.

From the Commissioner of Public Works, replying to a communication from this Department in relation to the condition of the sewer basins on streets adjoining the Riverside Drive.

On motion of Commissioner VIELE, the matter was referred to the Engineer of Construction to confer with the Engineer in charge of sewers of the Department of Public Works in relation to the same.

Stark, Joseph A.—Conveniences in parks.

From Joseph A. Stark, applying for permission to establish public conveniences in the principal squares and parks of the city.

Referred to Commissioner Olliffe.

Braun, August—Skates.

From August Braun, applying for the privilege of letting skates and chairs for hire at the Central Park lake during the coming skating season.

Commissioner OLLIFFE moved that the application of August Braun be granted, under rules and conditions to be prescribed by Commissioner Wales.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved as an amendment that Commissioner Wales be requested to prepare rules and regulations for the hiring of skates and chairs at the Central Park lake, and submit them to the Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said amendment, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

157th street—opening of.

From Solomon Berliner and John Paul, petitioning for the opening of 157th street, between 3d and Elton avenues.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer to report upon.

From Dennis W. Moran, in relation to the delay in the completion of the work on his contract for regulating and grading 139th street, from North 3d avenue to Willis avenue.

Referred to the Engineer of Construction, with directions to remove all impediments in the way of the contractor, in order that he may complete his work without further delay.

Ulings, Mrs.—for restoration.

From Mrs. S. A. Ulings, asking that her husband, Thomas Ulings, be reinstated to his former position on the Police Force of the Department.

Ordered filed.

Property Clerk—Inventory.

From the Property Clerk, submitting an inventory of tools, materials, etc., belonging to the Department under date of October 1, 1884.

Ordered filed.

Ladies' Cottage, Bryant Park—Watchman.

From the Superintendent of Parks, stating that the ladies' cottage at Bryant Park had been broken into on several occasions, during the night, and a lodging place made of it by the persons entering it.

On motion, the Superintendent of Parks was authorized to detail a watchman to protect the cottage in Bryant Park.

From the Superintendent of the 23d and 24th Wards:

Suspensions.

1st. Reporting the suspension of men and teams.

Approved.

Works in progress.

2d. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Engineer of Construction.

From the Engineer of Construction :

Ryder Avenue—Sewer.

1st. Submitting plans and profile for constructing sewer and appurtenances in Ryder avenue, and the system in the streets and avenues connecting therewith.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the plans and profiles for constructing sewers and appurtenances in Ryder avenue and system of sewers to be connected therewith, as this day submitted by the Engineer of Construction, be adopted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins—3.

Transverse Road No. 2—Paving.

2d. Enclosing a requisition for the pavement of one sidewalk in Transverse road No. 2.

Referred to the Treasurer, to obtain estimates for doing the work, and submit them to the Board.

Bradenhop, John F.—Restoration.

3d. Recommending the restoration of John F. Bradenhop, laborer.

Ordered filed.

Topographical Engineer.

From the Topographical Engineer :

Works in Progress.

1st. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Kings Bridge—Grades.

2d. Submitting a plan and profiles showing the proposed grades of certain streets and avenues at Kings Bridge in the Spuyten Duyvil District of the 24th Ward, as requested in petitions from the Kingsbridge Association and Messrs. G. H. Moller and J. H. Godwin.

On motion, the Secretary was directed to insert a notice in the *City Record* for ten days, requesting the property-owners interested in the proposed grades to call at the office of the Topographical Engineer and examine the plan showing the same, and file any objections they may have, before final action is taken by this Board.

From the Engineer of Construction, submitting plans and estimates for reducing the width of the Park sidewalk of 110th street, between 5th and 8th avenues.

On motion, the Engineer of Construction was directed to prepare and submit plans and estimates for widening the roadway of 110th street, between 5th and 8th avenues, by reducing the width of the Park sidewalk 6 feet 6 inches.

Commissioner WALES, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, presented the following reports :

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Brandis, F. E., repairs.....	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	\$15 00
Benoit, A. V., spirit level.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	2 00
Beck, Louis D., gravel.....	Riverside Park...	900 00
Boyd, Edward A. & Sons, glass.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	42 80
Bouker, John A., screenings.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	6,270 00
Cashman, J., plastering.....	Riverside Park...	92 00
Canda & Kane, cement and brick.....	Entrance Central Park, 8th ave., 77th and 81st streets.....	\$210 80
	Riverside Avenue.	102 80
	Drainage and Irrig- ation.....	52 85
	Central Park Const.....	2 30
	<hr/>	368 75
Carroll, Thomas, blacksmithing.....	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	12 00
Colgate & Company, soap.....	Labor, Maint and Supplies.....	3 50
Ferris, Edwin & Co., salt.....	Harlem R. Bdgs..	4 50
Harlem Gas Light Company, gas.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	22 27
Harrison, M., stove pipe.....	Zoological Dept...	14 00
The Hazard Powder Company, powder and fuze.....	Morningside Park	6 15
McNab & Harlem Manufacturing Com- pany, stop cock.....	Harlem R. Edgs..	1 92
Kellogg, M. A., petty disbursements...	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	50 82
	Const. Bridges over H. R.	3 04
	<hr/>	53 86
McKesson & Robbins, chemical.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	2 42

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McArthur, J. & Co., steel brushes	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$30 00
McAllister, F. E., shovels	Riverside Park	21 25
The Metropolitan Gas Light Co., gas stove	Zoological Dept.	11 25
Mitchell, A. H. & Bro., hay, oats, etc. . .	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	45 75
Mitchell, A. H. & Bro., oats, corn, etc. .	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	397 04
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, manhole covers	Sewers and Drains	114 84
Moran, D. W., relaying pavement 8 . . .	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	20 00
The N. Y. Coal Tar Chemical Co., paving cements	W alks Central Park, etc., City Parks & Places	222 26
Peck & Snyder, tennis marker	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	5 00
Penrhyn Slate Co., urinal set	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	50 00
Robitzek, G. & Bros., coal and coke . . .	W alks Central Park, and City Parks & Places	52 50
Robitzek G. & Bros., coal	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	50 00
Slattery, James, mould	Riverside Park	400 00
Steers, Bros., spruce	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	196 00
Steers Bros., lumber	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	532 35
Sloan, W. & J., carpet	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	55 00
Schoonmaker, S. A. & Co., white lead . .	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	57 50
Watkins, Jas. T. & Son, iron pails	Harlem River Fridges	3 50

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Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.....	\$1,445 88
Maintenance 23d and 24th Wards	6,335 75
Harlem River Bridges.....	9 92
Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	77 82
Zoological Department.....	25 25
Sewers and Drains.....	114 84
Riverside Park	1,413 25
Entrance, Central Park at 8th Avenue, 77th and 81st Streets	210 80
Walks, Central Park and City Parks and Places	274 76
Riverside Avenue.....	102 80
Morningside Park.....	6 15
Drainage and Irrigation of Central Park.....	52 85
Central Park, Construction.....	2 30
Construction Bridges over Harlem River.....	3 04
	————— \$10,075 41

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of ten thousand and seventy-five dollars and forty-one cents.

(Signed)

S. H. WALES,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, December 3, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bill, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Doherty, H. H., petty disbursements...	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	\$108 83	
	Zoological Department.....	12 94	
	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	13 58	
			\$129 85
			\$129 85

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Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.....	108 33	
Zoological Department.....	12 94	
Maintenance 23d and 24th Wards.....	13 58	
		\$129 85

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of one hundred and twenty-nine dollars and eighty-five cents.

(Signed.)

S. H. WALES,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, December 3, 1884.

The above-mentioned bill having been read and passed on, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve it, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit it to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Bicycles—To rescind permission.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the action of this Board taken on 21st ultimo, (p. 383 of the minutes) permitting the use of bicycles on the west side of Central Park, between 59th and 72d streets, and the use of tricycles on Riverside Drive, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

Laid over.

On motion, the Secretary was directed notify the Civil Service Commission that this Department desires to appoint a person to the position of Superintending Gardener, and request that a time be appointed for the examination of applicants.

Executive session.

On motion, at 11.30 A. M., the Board went into Executive Session.

House on Hill.

From the Superintendent of Parks, recommending that some person be allowed to temporarily occupy the House on the Hill in Central Park in order to care for it.

On motion, the Superintendent of Parks was authorized to select a suitable person to occupy the house.

Madison Avenue Bridge—Trap-door.

From the Superintendent of Parks, in relation to the danger of allowing the use of the trap-door in the sidewalk of the Madison Avenue Bridge, above the stairway leading to the engine-room, and recommending that the same be permanently closed, and that steps and a narrow stairway be made to use instead.

On motion, the Superintendent of Parks was authorized to make temporary provision for gaining access to the engine-room of the Madison Avenue Bridge and protecting against danger the trap-door in the sidewalk of the bridge.

Working forces to be named.

From the Superintendent of Parks, in relation to the working force.

On motion, the Superintendent of Parks was directed to make such reductions in the force employed under him as may be necessary.

Civil Service appointments.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That in accordance with Regulation XVIII. of the Civil Service Regulations, the following-named persons are hereby appointed to the positions set opposite their names respectively, subject to the further pleasure of this Board :

William Campbell, steam engineer.

Charles Dowd, inspector.

J. C. Dooley, foreman.

James F. McNally, foreman.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Statuary—repairs to.

From Wilson Macdonald, giving a list and an estimate, of the cost of repairing statues, groups and models in marble, bronze, plaster and composition, now in the Central Park.

Laid over.

Perkins, J. H.—Claim of regulating, grading, etc., 165th street.

The President, to whom was referred a communication from James H. Perkins, asking to be allowed for losses claimed to have been incurred in regulating, grading, etc., 165th street, between Boston road and Union ave., made a verbal report, and submitted a report from the Engineer of Construction in relation to the same, stating, that upon examination he had found that Mr. Perkins claimed damages,

1st. On account of suspension and change of grade ;

2d. On account of change in width of Delmonico place ;

3d. For excess of time of Inspectors. That by the change of grade, the quantities were materially altered from the Engineer's estimate as shown in the contract, for which alteration of grade provision was made in the contract.

That in changing the width of Delmonico place the contractor is entitled only to such work as was required to be changed, and recommending that pay be allowed for relaying 221.6 square feet of bridge-stones, at the rate of 20 cents per square foot, which amount should cover the expense of transporting to and from the work 72 square feet that were not required for the change, and that he be paid for 33.2 lineal feet of curb-stone, and 26.8 lineal feet of gutter-stone taken and relaid, at the contract price.

That the excess of Inspector's time was 50 days, at \$3 per day, amounting to \$150, and recommending that the same be remitted.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that said report be accepted, and the recommendations as therein contained be adopted, and that the Engineer of Construction be directed to prepare the final estimate on the work of grading, etc., 165th street, in accordance with the recommendations made by him.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Park-keepers—Charges.

Commissioner WALES, to whom was referred the subject of investigating charges against members of the Police Force of the Department, made a verbal report, and recommended as follows :

1st. That James P. Larkins be fined one day's pay for being absent from duty without leave.

2d. That John Lyons, charged with being absent from duty without leave on October 23, 1884, and absent from roll-call on October 28, 1884, be restored to duty with loss of pay during his suspension.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said recommendations, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Madison Avenue Bridge—Lamp-posts.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized to issue an order to J. B. & J. M. Cornell, for furnishing and putting up lamp-posts on the Madison Avenue Bridge, at an expense of \$12.40 each.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Schryer, Lettie—Appointed.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That Lettie Schryer be and she is hereby appointed ladies' maid at the New Cottage in Central Park.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Maguire, Mrs.—Designated.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That Mrs. Maguire be designated for appointment to fill the next vacancy as ladies' maid.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Election of President and Treasurer.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That this Board do now proceed to the election of a President and a Treasurer.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Crimmins, John D.—To elect.

Commissioner VIELE moved that Commissioner John D. Crimmins be elected President of this Department, to serve until May 1, 1885.

Wales, Salem H.—To elect.

Commissioner OLLIFFE moved as a substitute that Commissioner Salem H. Wales be elected President of this Department, to serve until May 1, 1885.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said substitute, and it was determined in the negative, a majority of all of the members of the Board not voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Olliffe—2.

Noes—Commissioners Viele, Crimmins—2.

Crimmins, John D.—Elected.

Commissioner WALES moved that Commissioner John D. Crimmins be elected President of this Department, to serve until February 1, next.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Olliffe—3.

No—Commissioner Crimmins—1.

Olliffe, Wm.—To elect.

Commissioner WALES moved that Commissioner William M. Olliffe be elected Treasurer of this Department, to serve until February 1, 1885.

Wales, Salem H.—Elected.

Commissioner OLLIFFE moved as a substitute that Commissioner Salem H. Wales be elected Treasurer of this Department, to serve until February 1, next.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said substitute, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

On motion, at 12.15 P. M., the Executive Session arose, and the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1884.

REGULAR MEETING—10 A. M.

Present—Commissioner CRIMMINS, President.

“ VIELE.

“ WALES.

“ OLLIFFE.

Jerome avenue—Grade of.

Mr. W. M. Walker appeared before the Board and presented a petition for the establishing of a grade for Jerome (Central) avenue, from the Harlem river to Croton avenue.

Which was referred to the Topographical Engineer to report upon.

176th street—Opening of.

Mr. Walker also presented a petition signed by B. W. Bradford, A. H. Gerding, and others, property-owners, asking that 176th street be opened and widened from Anthony avenue to Morris avenue, and that Morris street, from Anthony avenue to Morris avenue, be closed.

Which was referred to the Topographical Engineer to report upon.

Kingsbridge—Grades.

A petition was received from Isaac M. Dyckman and T. & W. Thorn & Co., asking that the matter of establishing grades of Riverdale avenue at Kingsbridge be laid over for the pres-

ent in order to give adjacent property-owners more time to consider the matter.

Godwin, J. H., } Grades at Kingsbridge.
Hutchins, Waldo, }

Messrs. J. H. Godwin and Waldo Hutchins appeared before the Board and were heard in relation to the same.

On motion the further consideration of the subject was laid over.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following communications were received :

Trinity avenue—Regulating, etc.

From the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen, transmitting a copy of an ordinance to regulate, grade, etc., Trinity avenue, from Clifton street to 165th street, adopted by said board and approved by the Mayor.

Laid over.

Corporation Counsel—Harlem and Morrisania R. R. Co.

From the Counsel to the Corporation acknowledging the receipt of a communication from this Department asking his opinion as to its powers and duties in the matter of the application of the Harlem Bridge, Morrisania and Fordham Railroad Company, for a permit to proceed with the work of laying its tracks along 138th street, which it intended doing under authority given it by chapter 892, Laws of 1867, and stating that the request of said company being merely for a permit to make openings and disturbances of the surface of the street, necessary to the laying of the tracks, it is the duty of this Department in such case, to issue a permit on condition that the company take proper precaution to prevent accidents, and leave the street in a proper condition upon the completion of the work.

Ordered filed.

Estimate and Apportionment.

From the Clerk of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, transmitting copies of the following resolutions adopted by said Board :

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 450 of the Laws of 1884, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment does hereby audit and allow the charges for counsel fees, "In the matter of the application of John Noble Stearns, Joshua C. Sanders, Horace Winans, Edward A. Morrison, and George H. Beyer for the examination of Salem H. Wales, William M. Olliffe, John D. Crimmins and Egbert L. Viele, Commissioners of Parks of the City of New York," at the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), to be paid to Messrs. John E. Parsons, Theron G. Strong and Henry R. Beekman, in the amounts of their bills, respectively, from an appropriation therefor to be included in the Final Estimate for the year 1885.

Resolved, That, in accordance with the recommendations of the Mayor, the Comptroller and the Counsel to the Corporation, in their report to this Board, upon a statement made of the amount required from the proceeds of bonds to pay the awards and expenses for opening streets, avenues, parks and public places, which may become a liability incurred before January 1, 1885, and as provided by section 150 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, the Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to issue at such rate of interest, not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum, and for such period, as provided by law, as he may determine, "Assessment Fund Bonds of the Corporation of the City of New York," to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000).

Resolved, That, in accordance with the recommendations of the Mayor, the Comptroller and the Counsel to the Corporation, in their report to this Board, upon statements of the amounts required from the proceeds of bonds to provide for the completion of existing contracts and liabilities for Street Improvements, made and entered into by the Department of Public Works and the Department of Public Parks, payable from Assessment Bonds, the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized and directed to issue at such rate of interest, not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum, and for such period as he may determine, in conformity with the provisions of law, "Assessment Bonds of the City of New York," to the amount of nine hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$950,000), as authorized by section 144 of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882 (New York City Consolidation Act), chapter 397, Laws of 1852, and chapter 580, Laws of 1872.

Ordered filed.

Charities and Correction—Telephone.

From the Secretary of the Department of Public Charities and Correction, transmitting a copy of a resolution asking that the Ninety-ninth street Hospital be allowed to communicate with said Department, by using the telephone system of this Department.

Referred to Commissioner Viele.

Barney, Hiram—Spuyten Duyvil Parkway.

From Hiram Barney, asking permission to improve the sidewalk of the Spuyten Duyvil Parkway opposite his property, on the westerly side, from Riverdale avenue to the Westchester road, to be used as a temporary road until the said parkway shall be regulated and graded ; the same to be done at his expense.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, the request of Mr. Barney was granted, the work to be done under the direction of the Engineer of Construction.

Lett, Henry—For information.

From Henry Lett, requesting permission to obtain from the Topographical Engineer the block distances and angles for streets and avenues shown on a diagram submitted by him.

Referred to the President.

N. Y. Wood Turning Co.—Sewer permit.

From the New York Wood Turning Company, asking the rate charged for permits to connect with sewers be reduced in the case of the lumber storage building, corner Alexander avenue and 134th street.

Referred to the President to report.

Peck & Snyder—Skates.

From Peck & Snyder, applying for the privilege of hiring skates at the Central Park lake during the coming skating season.

Ordered filed.

Dick, J. C.—Boats.

From J. Clarence Dick, applying for a renewal of his license for boat service at the Central Park lake.

Commissioner WALES moved that the license of J. Clarence Dick, for the boat service at Central Park lake, be renewed for one year, upon the same terms and conditions as heretofore.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Weston, Theodore—Bill of.

From Theodore Weston, inclosing a bill amounting to \$8,322.75, for professional services as architect in preparing plans, etc., for the enlargement of the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

Bailey, N. P.—Streets east of Kingsbridge.

From N. P. Bailey, in relation to the laying out of the roads and avenues on the east of Kingsbridge.

Ordered filed.

Vogel, H. W.—Leave of absence.

From Henry W. Vogel, Assistant Engineer, asking to be allowed leave of absence for one week, with pay, in consequence of sickness.

Commissioner VIELE moved that Henry W. Vogel, assistant engineer, be granted leave of absence for one week, with pay.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Supt. 23d and 24th Wards—Temporary suspension.

From the Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards :

1st. Reporting the temporary suspension of men and teams employed in the 23d and 24th Wards, during stormy weather.

Approved.

Works in progress.

2d. Report upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

3d avenue sewer—Sheet piling.

3d. Submitting the following estimates for placing sheet piling around the outlet of the 3d avenue sewer in the Harlem river.

Frank Pidgeon, \$969.

B. C. Murray, \$750.

Ordered filed.

Engineer of Construction—110th street widening.

From the Engineer of Construction :

1st. Submitting a plan for widening the roadway of 110th street, between 5th and 8th avenues, by reducing the width of the park sidewalk six feet six inches, with an estimate of the cost thereof.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, it was

Resolved, That a copy of the petition, plan and estimate for widening the roadway of 110th street, between 5th and 8th avenues, be transmitted to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, and that the property-owners interested in the matter be requested to appear before said Board and express their views in relation to the same.

J. Romaine Brown—Wash at Manhattan street.

2d. Reporting upon a communication from J. Romaine Brown complaining of the condition of Manhattan street at the junction with Riverside Drive.

Ordered filed.

Superintendent of Parks.
Estimate cost repairs to sea-wall at Battery.

From the Superintendent of Parks, reporting an estimate of the cost of repairing the sea-wall and coping at the Battery.

On motion, the matter was referred to the President and Treasurer with power to confer with the Board of Estimate and Apportionment in relation to obtaining an appropriation for the same.

Topographical Engineer.
Works in progress.

From the Topographical Engineer, reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

138th street sewer.

From J. C. Friedmann, Henry Lipps, and M. Langenbeck asking for the construction of a sewer in 138th street, from the summit between St. Ann's avenue and Southern Boulevard to Brook avenue.

Referred to the Engineer of Construction.

Carr, John—Resignation.

From John Carr resigning his position as Parkkeeper on the force of the Department.

Accepted.

Audit.

Commissioner WALES, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, presented the following reports :

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

American Supply Co., waste.....	Harlem R. Bdgs..	\$10 00
Appelbaum, Elias, gloves.....	Police	148 50
Arnold, David P., meat	Zoological Dept...	227 50
Brady, James, Estimate No. 1.....	Cottages, Ladies' and Gentlemen's	1,118 75
Barron, James J. & Co., brooms, etc...	Harlem R. Bdgs..	6 00
Barron, James J. & Co., oak pails....	Morningside Park.	4 50

Bell Brothers, spruce.....	Harlem R. Bdgs..	\$230 00
Chalfin, S. F., petty disbursements....	Surveying, Laying out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps.....	\$33 66
	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	1 68
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		35 34
Canda & Kane, lime.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	2 70
Casey, Thomas H., Estimate No. 6....	Sewer, N. 3d Ave. and Boston Rd., bet. Brook Ave. and 167th St., etc.....	2,091 25
The Consolidated Gas Co., gas.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	47 95
Consolidated Gas Co., of N. Y., gas....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	17 50
Ferris, Edwin & Co., salt.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	1 75
Fitzgerald, P. H., security.....	Paving 134th St., from N. 3d to Alexander Ave..	354 72
Knickerbocker Ice Co., ice.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	56 38
Knickerbocker Ice Co., ice.....	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	2 17
McNab & Harlin Mfg. Co., elbows....	Riverside Park...	1 69
McKesson & Robbins, liniment, etc....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	3 06
McAllister, F. E., repairs to Kinder- berg.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	996 00
The Metropolitan Telephone and Tele- graph Co., rent.....	Telephonic Service	312 50
The Metropolitan Gas-light Co., gas....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	36 68
Mitchell, A. H. & Co., corn.....	Zoological Dept..	39 10
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, wheels....	Harlem R. Bdgs., 1883.....	301 56
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, covers....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies.....	59 40
Moran, Dennis W., security.....	Crosswalk, Willis Ave., bet. South- ern Boulevard and N. 3d Ave..	205 85

Murray, Thomas, security	Crosswalks, Denman Place, at or near Tinton and Legget Aves., etc	\$45 32
Murray, B. C., security	Sewer, etc., 139th St., from summit bet. Willis and Alexander Aves. to Brook Avenue	1,872 15
The New York Mutual Gas-light Co., gas	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	43 15
O'Donnell & Treanor, coal	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$69 50
	Zoological Dept...	10 00
O'Brien, M., milk	Zoological Dept...	79 50
Perkins, James H., payment on acceptance	Regulating, 165th St., from Boston Road to Union Ave	14 40
		3,061 77
Pridgeon's Hamilton Bakery, bread	Zoological Dept...	67 50
Pope & Klie, vegetables, etc	Zoological Dept...	28 50
Reiche, Chas. & Bro., bird food	Zoological Dept...	12 00
Steers Brothers, lumber	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	596 56
Steers Brothers, lumber	Drainage and Irrigation of Central Park	54 00
Steers Brothers, lumber	Harlem R. Bdgs..	756 99
Seymour, W. N. & Co., nails, etc	Construction, Central Park	10 93
Seymour, W. N. & Co., screws, etc	Skate Building...	9 53
Scott, D., fish	Zoological Dept...	21 35
Schoonmaker, S. A. & Co., paints, etc	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	78 50
Watkins, James Y. & Sons, coal hods	Zoological Dept...	1 20
White, Chas. W., spruce	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	239 31
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RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.....	\$1,952 75
Zoological Department.....	421 55
Harlem River Bridges.....	1,002 99
Riverside Park.....	1 69
Police.....	148 50
Telephonic Service.....	312 50
Ladies' and Gentlemen's Cottages.....	1,113 75
Morningside Park.....	4 50
Harlem River Bridges, 1883.....	301 56
Surveying, Laying out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps..	33 66
Drainage and Irrigation of Central Park.....	54 00
Construction of Central Park.....	10 93
Skate Building.....	9 53
Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	3 85
Maintenance 23d and 24th Wards.....	239 31
Street Improvements.....	7,686 94
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	<u>\$13,298 01</u>

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of thirteen thousand two hundred and ninety-eight dollars and one cent.

(Signed)

S. H. WALES.

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, December 17, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bill, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

December 17, 1884.]

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Murray, B. C., pavement.....Special Fund, Repaving..... \$493 00

Amounting to the sum of four hundred and ninety-three dollars.

(Signed)

S H. WALES,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, December 17, 1884.

The above-mentioned bill having been read and passed on, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve it, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit it to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

The undersigned, from the Auditing Committee, to whom was referred the bills of Louis A. Risse—petty disbursements \$43.45, and J. J. Murray, \$22 veterinary services, begs leave to report :

That the bills of Mr. Risse, the Superintendent of the 23d and 24th Wards, are for amounts expended for car fare, postage, etc., in the discharge of his duties, and were necessary and incident to the same, during the months of January, February, March, April, May, June and July, of the present year.

That the bill of J. J. Murray, amounting to \$22, is for medicine and attendance to horses belonging to the Department in cases of emergency.

That the expenditures have been made and the services rendered, and the undersigned recommends them to the Board for payment.

(Signed)

S. H. WALES,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, December 17, 1884.

The PRESIDENT moved that the said report be accepted and the recommendation adopted, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit the bills therein mentioned to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Carroll, Thomas, blacksmithing.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	\$21 00
Connolly, John E., oats, corn, etc.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	361 10
Conklin, W. A., medicines	Zoological Dept. . .	13 90
Doak, George F., payment on accept- ance	Central Park, Transverse Road	9,197 21
Jones, Chas., Estimate No. 1.....	Sewer, Webster Ave., bet. 165th and 184th Sts . .	1,540 21
Mitchel, A. H. & Bro., hay, oats, etc..	Zoological Dept . .	288 13
Milliken, David, saw dust	Zoological Dept . .	7 50
Murray, B. C., security	Crosswalks, 158th St., at intersec- tions Melrose, Courtland, Col- lege and Rail- road Aves.....	39 23
Otis & Gorsline, pipe.....	Sewers and Drains.	137 50
Otis & Gorsline, pipe.....	Drainage and Irri- gation of Central Park	28 80
Pratt Mfg. Co., astral oil.....	Harlem R. Bdgs..	7 44
Robitzek, G. & Bro., coal.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	88 75
Robitzek, G. & Bro., coal.....	Riverside Park . . .	5 00

Rustic Mfg. and Construction Co., repairs.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	\$275 00
Starke, Caspar, harness and repairs.	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	83 70
Steers Bros., spruce.....	Bronx R. Bridges.	130 31
Steers Bros., chestnut posts, etc.	Sewers and Drains.	147 25
Voorhis, Jacob, face stone.....	Entrances Central Park, at 77th and 81st Streets....	844 90
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RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.....	\$636 10
Maintenance 23d and 24th Wards.....	193 45
Zoological Department.....	304 53
Street Improvements.....	1,579 44
Bronx River Bridges.....	130 31
Transverse Roads, Central Park.	9,197 21
Entrances Central Park, at 8th Avenue, 77th and 81st Streets	844 90
Sewers and Drains.....	284 75
Drainage and Irrigation of Central Park.....	28 80
Harlem River Bridges.....	7 44
Riverside Park	5 00
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Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of thirteen thousand two hundred and eleven dollars and ninety-three cents.

(Signed.)

S. H. WALES,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, December 17, 1884.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Pilgrim—Statue.

Commissioner WALES, to whom was referred the subject of the monument proposed to be erected in Central Park by the New England Society, commemorative of the landing of the Pilgrim Fathers at Plymouth Rock, presented communications from the Presidents of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the National Academy of Design, and the New York Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, reporting favorably upon the proposed monument, and moved that said monument be accepted and that it be erected on the site designated by the action of the Board of November 21, 1884.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Swan velocipede boats.

Commissioner WALES, to whom was referred the application of James Thompson and Josiah A. Osgood, for a license to place and operate "swan velocipede boats" on the Central Park lake, made a verbal report and recommended that the application be denied.

Adopted.

Skate-house—Rules.

Commissioner WALES, to whom was referred the subject of preparing and submitting rules and regulations for the hiring of skates and chairs at the Central Park lake and the government of the Skate-house, presented the following :

*Rules and Regulations for the Government of the Skate-house
and the Hire of Skates and Ice Chairs.*

Skates for hire shall be charged for as follows :

1st Class Club Skates—

For first hour, 25c.

For each hour thereafter, 15c.

2d Class Skates—

For first hour, 15c.

For each hour thereafter, 10c.

Deposit :

1st Class Skates, \$2.00 up to \$3.00.

2d Class Skates 50c. up to \$1.00.

in each case according to the value of the skates.

The hire of the skates to be deducted from the deposit and the balance returned when the skates are returned.

Smoking will not be allowed in the building.

Separate counters will be arranged, if accommodations are sufficient to warrant it, for both males and females.

No person will be allowed to make a business of putting on skates in the skate building, unless authorized so to do, and wearing a badge showing such authorization.

The uniform price of putting on or taking off skates will be 5 cents in each case.

No lounging will be allowed in the rooms.

The building to be kept neat, clean and warm.

Every attention should be paid to visitors, and particularly the ladies and children.

The Captain of Police to have supervision of the rooms with full authority to give directions and enforce orders

calculated to promote the comfort and convenience of the public.

Ice Chairs—

A deposit, \$1, will be required on each chair and a charge, 25 cents per hour will be made for the use of each chair.

Chairs, when in use, will be confined to such portions of the ice as the Captain may direct.

Commissioner WALES moved that said rules and regulations be adopted and promulgated.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Braun, August—Skates and Chairs.

Commissioner WALES moved that an agreement be entered into with August Braun for the hiring of skates and chairs at the Central Park lake during the coming skating season, upon the same terms and conditions as heretofore, and conforming to the rules and regulations as adopted this day.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Harlem River Bridges—rules.

Commissioner VIELE presented the following rules and regulations for the government of the employees on the Harlem River Bridges :

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

*Rules and Regulations for the Government of the Employees
on the Harlem River Bridges.*

1. All employes, when on duty, shall wear a uniform consisting of a navy blue blouse and cap in winter, and a jumper and straw hat in the summer, with their title and the letters D. P. P. on the front of their hat or cap. The buttons necessary will be furnished by the Department.

2. The Engineers in charge of the machinery of the bridges will be held responsible for its proper use and care, and during their respective tours of duty will see that each Bridge-tender and laborer employed on the bridge attends properly to the discharge of their duties. They will obey implicitly the orders of the Engineer.

3. There shall be at all times one man on each approach to the draw to answer the signals of the Engineer.

4. The use of intoxicating drinks is absolutely forbidden, and any man found under the influence of liquor will be at once suspended.

5. All employes on the bridges will be required to maintain a respectful manner towards those who seek information, but will not engage in prolonged conversation with any person.

6. The utmost vigilance will be at all times exercised by every man on duty to prevent accidents and save life.

7. The Engineer will make a daily report to the Superintendent of the exact time at which all men go on or off duty, and of all incidents of an unusual nature that may occur.

8. The bridges are to be opened at all hours for the passage of vessels when signaled so to do.

9. The Bridge-tenders will carefully close the gates and put up the chains before the draw is opened.

10. A Bridge-tender shall remain at each approach, while the laborer shall remain on the draw when opened.

11. The Bridge-tenders will be held responsible for the proper care and display of the lights at night.

12. No persons, other than those on duty in the Department, will be allowed on the fenders to the bridge piers for any purposes.

By order of the Board of Parks.

Commissioner VIELE moved that said rules and regulations be adopted and promulgated.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

President—Suspension of force.

The PRESIDENT stated that in consideration of the exhausted condition of the appropriations, he had, since the last meeting of the Board, been compelled to order reductions in the working and mechanical forces of the Department, as well as a temporary suspension until January 1, next, of such employees as could be best spared, including the midnight watch and one Bridge-tender from each watch on the Harlem river bridges, and asked that his action be approved.

Commissioner WALES moved that the action of the President be approved.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Bryant Park—Watchman.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the action of the President in directing that the laborer ordered at the last meeting of the Board to be detailed for duty as watchman at the Cottage, Bryant Park, be transferred to the Captain of Parkkeepers and paid from account Police Salaries, be and the same is hereby approved.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Rent of office.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the Comptroller of the city be requested to present to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund a statement that the Department of Public Parks request a continuation of the lease of the premises at No. 36 Union Square, now occupied by them, for the term of one year from the first day of January, 1885.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

No—Commissioner Viele—1.

Executive Session.

On motion, at 11.20 the Board went into executive session.

Parkkeepers—Charges.

Commissioner WALES, to whom was referred the subject of investigating charges preferred against members of the Police force of the Department, made a verbal report and recom-

mended that the charge of violation of rules against Park-keeper Henry Herlich, be dismissed.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said recommendation, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Casino—License to W. H. Radford.

Commissioner VIELE offered the following :

Resolved, That the present license with William H. Radford, dated December 30, 1882, for the occupancy of certain buildings on the Central Park and the sale of refreshments therein, be canceled, and a new license be granted him for a period of five years from this date, covering all of the privileges as now enjoyed by him under his present license and containing, in addition to all of the covenants and agreements as now in force and effect, the additional agreement that the said Radford will make all of the necessary renovations, repairs and renewals that are now required, or that may be from time to time required to the inside of the Casino building on the Central Park, and all of the fixtures and appurtenances as now contained or may be hereafter contained inside of said building during the term for which this license is granted, and that the President be authorized to sign said license on behalf of this Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

The PRESIDENT appointed Commissioners Olliffe and Viele members of the Auditing Committee.

On motion of Commissioner VIELE, at 11.50 A. M., the executive session arose, and the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1884.

SPECIAL MEETING—11 A. M.

The Board met, pursuant to the following :

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, }
36 UNION SQUARE, }
December 19, 1884. }

Mr. E. P. BARKER, *Secretary* :

SIR—You will please issue notices for a meeting of the Board, to be held on Tuesday next, 23d instant, at 11 o'clock A. M., for the consideration of communications, resolutions and such other business as may be presented.

Yours, etc.,

JOHN D. CRIMMINS,
President D. P. P.

Present—Commissioner CRIMMINS, President.

“ VIELE.

“ WALES.

“ OLLIFFE.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following communications were received :

Civil Service Commission—Eligible applicants.

From the Secretary and Executive officer of the Civil Service Examining Board, submitting the following list of names of eligible applicants for positions as Parkkeepers :

T. A. Howard,
Geo. E. Carter,
Wm. Greefe,

Arthur Hirsch,
J. W. Girard,
G. A. Mott,

Patrick Meehan.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That Thomas A. Howard, George E. Carter, William Greefe, Arthur Hirsch, Joseph W. Girard, George A. Mott, Patrick Meehan, be and they are hereby appointed Parkkeepers on the force of the Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

159th street—Regulating, etc. Penalty for overtime.

From B. C. Murray, asking to be relieved of the penalty for overtime on his contract for regulating, etc., 159th street, between Third and Railroad avenues.

Referred to Engineer of Construction to report.

Lincoln avenue Sewer- Overtime.

From the Engineer of Construction, submitting a certificate for payment on acceptance of the work of constructing sewers in Lincoln avenue, between Harlem river and 134th street, and in Southern Boulevard, and enclosing a communication from the contractor, W. E. Dean, asking for a reduction in the amount of the penalty for overtime on said work, which was referred back to the Engineer of Construction to report.

139th street—Overtime remitted.

From the Engineer of Construction, submitting a certificate for payment on acceptance of the work of regulating, etc., East 139th street, from North Third avenue to Willis avenue. Also a communication from the contractor, D. W. Moran, in reference to being delayed in completing the work, and stating that the Inspector was kept upon the work a few days longer than would have been necessary on account of the suspension of the work, and recommending that the contractor be relieved of the penalty for four days' overtime.

Commissioner OLLIFFE moved that the penalty for four days of the overtime on the contract for regulating, etc., East 139th street, be remitted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Lett, Henry—Report on application.

From the Topographical Engineer, reporting in relation to the application of Henry Lett, asking to be furnished with the block distances and angles for certain streets and avenues shown on a diagram submitted by him.

Ordered filed.

Courtland avenue—Straightening.

From Peter Daly, J. D. Blume and others, asking that Courtland avenue be straightened from 161st to 162d streets.

Ordered filed.

President—Reduction of force.

The PRESIDENT stated that since the last meeting of the Board he had been compelled to order still further reductions of the force of employees, by temporary suspensions, in order to keep the expenditures of the Department within the balances of the different appropriations available for the purpose, and asked that his action be approved.

Commissioner WALES moved that the action of the President be approved.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

Grades crossing Harlem railroad.

Commissioner VIELE stated that he had conferred with the officers of the New York and Harlem River Railroad Company, in relation to railroad crossings along the line of their tracks through the 23d and 24th Wards, and that they had stated to him that they would be glad to give consideration to the work of depressing their tracks so soon as the necessary legislation was had for that purpose.

Commissioner VIELE moved that the plans showing the railroad crossings be placed on exhibition in the office of the Topographical Engineer, and that a notice be inserted in the *City Record* inviting all property-owners interested to call and examine the same.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Viele, Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—4.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, at 11.30 A. M., the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7, 1885.

REGULAR MEETING—10 A. M.

JESSE W. POWERS, Esq., who had been appointed a Commissioner of Public Parks, presented his certificate of appointment, which was ordered entered upon the minutes, as follows :

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, December 31, 1884. }

I, Franklin Edson, Mayor of the City of New York, do hereby appoint Jesse W. Powers a Commissioner of Parks of the City of New York, to fill the vacancy which now exists by reason of the resignation of Egbert L. Viele, to hold such office of Commissioner of Parks for the unexpired term of said Egbert L. Viele, resigned.

Witness my hand and official seal.

[SEAL.]

FRANKLIN EDSON,
Mayor.

The roll being called,

Present—Commissioner CRIMMINS, President.

“ WALES.
“ OLLIFFE.
“ POWERS.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following communications were received :

176th street, opening—Protest against.

From Francis M. Smith, C. L. Moore and others, protesting against the proposed opening and grading of 176th street, from Anthony avenue to Jerome avenue, or any portion thereof, at this time.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer.

142d street regulating, etc.

From the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen, transmitting a copy of an ordinance for regulating, grading, etc., 142d street, between St. Ann's and Brook avenues, adopted by said Board and approved by the Mayor.

Ordered filed.

Appropriations, 1885.

From the Clerk of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, transmitting a copy of the Final Estimate, as adopted by said Board, for the use of this Department during the year 1885, as follows :

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

Maintenance and Government of Parks and Places :

Salaries—To pay entirely the salaries of the President, Clerks, Engineers, Architects, Superintendent, and all employees of the Department, excepting Janitors, Attendants, Skilled Laborers acting as Messengers, Rodmen, Chainmen and Axemen, Draughtsmen, Steam Engineers, Mechanics, Gardeners, Carts, Teams, the Laboring Force and Foremen, employed in the work of maintaining the Parks and Places ; also excepting the Topographical Engineer and his Assistants in charge of Surveying, Monumenting, etc., Twenty-third

and Twenty-fourth Wards, and also excepting the Superintendent and Engineer in charge of Public Places, Roads, Avenues, and Bridges, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards :

President \$5,000 00

Superintendent, Engi-
neers, Architects,
Clerks, etc 35,000 00

_____ \$40,000 00

Police—Salaries of Captains, Surgeons, Sergeants, Roundsmen, Patrolmen, Gatekeepers, Special Keepers and Police Tailors, and for purchase of Uniforms and Supplies 150,000 00

Labor, Maintenance, Supplies, Construction and Repairs—For all supplies, excepting those for which specific appropriations are made, and wages of all persons employed on works of maintenance, excepting those employed in the Zoological Department, and including the maintenance of the Meteorological Observatory, Paradise Park, and for completion of Retaining Wall of the Transverse Roads, and for Construction and Repairs, as follows :

For Labor, Maintenance
and Supplies \$250,000 00

For Laying New and Re-
pairing Old Walks in
the Central and City
Parks and Places 15,000 00

For Erecting New and
Repairing Old Cot-
tages 5,000 00

For Repairs to Refreshment Building in the Central Park	\$2,500 00	
Improvement of Manhattan Square	2,500 00	
Drainage and Irrigation of Parks	10,000 00	
Construction of Central Park	5,000 00	
East River Park Sea Wall	5,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$295,000 00
Zoological Department—For the keeping, preservation, additions to, and exhibition of the collection in the Zoological Department of the Central Park, including \$12,000 for buildings and repairs used for that purpose		30,000 00
Maintenance of Museums—For the keeping, preservation, and exhibition of the collection in the American Museum of Natural History		30,000 00
Music—Central Park and the City Parks, as follows:		
Central Park	\$9,430 00	
Battery Park	3,200 00	
East River Park	1,600 00	
Tompkins Square	1,600 00	
Calcium Lights for Battery Park	350 00	
	<hr/>	16,180 00
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs, Improvements and Maintenance		25,000 00

Riverside Avenue—For the improvement and maintenance of Riverside avenue	\$10,000 00
Riverside Park—For the improvement and maintenance of Riverside Park, and for completion of the building at Claremont	30,000 00
Telephonic Service—For erecting and maintaining telephonic service for the Department. . .	2,000 00
Maintenance—Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards :	
Maintenance and Government of Public Parks, Places, Streets, Roads, and Avenues, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, including supplies, salary of Superintendent and wages of all persons employed on the work, and \$10,000 for the improvement of Riverdale avenue	120,000 00
Bronx River Bridges—For the Repairing and Maintenance of Bridges over the Bronx River, within the city limits	2,500 00
Sewers and Drains, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards—For cleaning and repairing sewers and drains in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards	10,000 00
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards—For Surveying, Laying-out, and Monumenting Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards and the northerly end of Manhattan Island, north of the south side of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, including salaries and wages of all persons employed on the work, and for making and completing maps, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, for the use of the Department of Taxes and Assessments	30,000 00

Incumbrances—Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, Removal of	\$1,000 00
Surveys Maps and Plans—For making surveys and maps for the opening of streets and avenues, parks and places, for the use of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, and for making preliminary surveys and plans not assessable, of projected sewers and drains, including rent of office for engineers ; and for making maps for acquiring right of way for building drains	30,000 00
Rents and Repairs—Department of Public Parks —To pay Rents and make Repairs of Offices, Stables, and Yards for the use of the Department, under agreements entered into by the Comptroller, by order of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund	5,000 00
Jeannette Park—For improving the Park at Coenties Slip, known as Jeannette Park	5,000 00
Sprinkling—Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards—For sprinkling main thoroughfares in Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards . .	3,000 00
Cromwell's Creek Bridges and Bridges other than those of Harlem River and Bronx River	5,000 00
Bridge and Approaches over Mott Haven Canal at One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street . .	10,000 00
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	\$849,680 00

Ordered filed.

Employees—List of, for *City Record*.

From the Supervisor of the *City Record*, making requisition for a list of subordinates, etc., in this Department, for publication in the *City Record*, as required by law.

Referred to the Secretary to furnish the list required.

Telegraph wires on 8th avenue.

From Geo. H. Fearons, Acting Attorney for the Western Union Telegraph Company, stating the inability of said company to comply with the resolution of this Board, of November 12, 1884, at this time.

Ordered filed.

138th street, regulating, etc.—Suspension of work.

From D. W. Moran, in relation to the suspension of the work on his contract for regulating, grading, etc., 138th street.

Referred to the Engineer of Construction.

Wheaton, Wm.—Petty expenses.

From William Wheaton, enclosing bills for expenses incurred by him for car fare, etc., while in the employ of the Department.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

Tiger—Purchase of.

From the Director of the Menagerie, recommending the purchase of a male tiger.

Laid over.

Schreiber, Fred.—For sick pay.

From Fred. Schreiber, skilled laborer, asking to be allowed pay for time lost on account of sickness from January 1 to 5, inclusive.

Referred to the Superintendent of Parks to report.

Southwick, E. B.—Report.

From E. B. Southwick, submitting a preliminary report upon the work carried on under his direction during the year 1884.

Ordered filed.

Supt. 23d and 24th Wards—Work in progress.

From the Superintendent of the 23d and 24th Wards:

1st. Reporting upon the work in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Temporary suspensions.

2d. Reporting the temporary suspension of men and teams during stormy weather.

Approved.

Topographical Engineer—Work in progress.

From the Topographical Engineer, reporting upon the progress of the works under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Engineer of Construction—Sewer in Lincoln avenue—Overtime.

From the Engineer of Construction :

1. Reporting upon a communication from Wm. E. Dean, asking for a reduction of the amount of the penalty for overtime on his contract for constructing sewers in Lincoln avenue and the Southern Boulevard, and recommending that the penalty for 31 days of the overtime be remitted on account of extra work which the contractor was called upon to do and delays caused in constructing manhole and rebuilding basin.

Commissioner WALES moved that the recommendation of the Engineer of Construction be approved and that Mr. Dean be relieved of the penalty of 31 days overtime.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Doak, Geo. F.—Paving Courtland avenue.

2. Reporting adversely upon a communication and bill for extra work from George F. Doak, contractor, for paving Courtland avenue, from North 3d avenue to 156th street.

Ordered filed.

Bath at Battery.

From William A. Hall, applying for a renewal of his license for mooring a bath at the Battery during the season of 1885

and asking that the privilege be extended him for the term of five years.

Commissioner WALES offered the following:

Resolved, That the privilege of mooring a bath at the Battery be granted to William A. Hall for one year, upon the same terms and conditions as heretofore.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Casey, Thos. H.—Overtime on sewer in North Third avenue.

From Thomas H. Casey, asking to be relieved of the penalty for overtime on his contract for constructing a sewer in North Third avenue, between Brook avenue and 167th street, with branches, etc.

Referred to the Engineer of Construction to report.

Audit.

Commissioner OLLIFFE, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, presented the following reports:

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval:

Canda & Kane, cement.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1884..	\$85 00	
	Central Park, Con- struction, '884 .	43 50	
		<hr/>	\$128 50
Canda & Kane, cement.	Riverside Park, 1884.....	\$72 50	
	Labor, Maint. and Supplies	87 00	
		<hr/>	\$159 50
Crimmins, John D., personal expenses.	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1884..		\$125 00

The Consolidated Gas Company, gas stove.....	Police, 1884.....	\$11 18
Conklin, W. A., swan.....	Zoological Dep't, 1884.....	20 00
Delamater, C. H. & Co., labor, etc....	Harlem River Bridge, 1884....	345 00
Dean, William E., payment on accept.	Sewer, etc., Lincoln Ave., bet. Harlem River and 134th Street and in Southern Boulevard, bet. Lincoln and Willis Aves.....	3,482 10
Denning, E. J. & Co., sundries.....	Police Supplies, 1884.....	52 88
Doherty, H. H., petty expenses.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1884..	\$69 04
	Zoological Dept., 1884.....	24 11
	Maint. etc., 23d and 24th Wards, 1884.....	42 60
		<hr/> 135 75
The Hazard Powder Co., powder and fuse.....	Drainage and Irrigation, 1884....	3 36
The Hazard Powder Co., powder and fuse.....	Morningside Park.	5 87
Harrison, M., trimming.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1884..	45 00
Herbert, H. L. & Co., coal.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1884..	\$61 10
	Zoological Dept., 1884.....	47 00
	Surveying, Laying Out, etc, Tax and Assessment Map, 1884.....	4 70
	Surveys, Maps and Plans, 1884.....	4 70
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McLaughlin, Geo., labor and materials. Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1884..	\$725 00
McGrath, Dennis, pavement. Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1884..	200 00
McGrath, Dennis, payment on accept. . Paving 143d St., from Alexander to Brook Aves..	9,061 37
McGrath, Michael, estimate No. 1. Skate Building, 1884.	1,784 81
Morgan, J. P., Treasurer, expenses, Mus. N. H. Maint. Museums, 1884	380 47
Morris, Little & Co., sheep dip. Zoological Dept., 1884	37 50
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, labor and materials. Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1884..	65 34
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, covers . . . Riverside Park, 1884.	5 88
Moran, Dennis W., payment on accept. Regulating, etc., 139th St., from East Curb-line, North 3d Ave. to West Curb-line Willis Ave.	1,938 51
Murray, B. C., estimate, No. 3. Regulating, etc., 159th St., from West Curb-line, North 3d Ave., to East Curb-line, Railroad Avenue.	1,762 67
Murray, B. C., payment on accept. . . . Crosswalks at Northerly and Southerly intersections, 175th Street and Railroad Avenue.	165 60
The New York Mutual Gas-light Co., rent Rents, D. P. P., 1884.	625 00
Nesbits Sons, John, cement. Entrances, Central Park at 8th Ave. 77th and 81st Streets.	57 50

Nesbits Sons, John, lime, etc	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1884..	\$7 85
Nesbits Sons, John, brick.....	Sewer and Drains, 1884.....	40 00
Olliffe, Wm. M., personal expenses....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1884..	150 00
Otis & Gorsline, vitrified pipe	Transverse Roads, Central Park, 1884.....	17 28
Parsons, C. A., mantels	Riverside Park, 1884.....	250 00
Porter's Sons, Wm., lanterns.....	Maint. 23d and 24th Wards, 1884....	31 50
Robitzek, G. & Bro., coal.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1884..	\$55 00
	Harlem River Bridges, 1884...	10 50
		<hr/> 65 50
Robitzek, G. & Bros., coal.....	Harlem R. Bldgs., 1884.....	52 50
Seaman, W. L., rope.....	Drainage and Irri- gation, Central Park, 1884.....	9 52
Seymour, W. N. & Co., nails.....	Drainage and Irri- gation, Central Park, 1884.....	2 15
Wales, Salem H., personal expenses...	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1884..	150 00
White, Chas. W., spruce.....	Skate Building, 1884.....	387 22
White, Chas. W., pickets.....	Central Park Con- struction, 1884.	672 50
Watkins, Jas. Y. & Son, oil cans.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards, 1884....	2 25
Watkins, Jas. Y. & Son, pots and pails.	Zoological Depart- ment, 1884.....	16 50
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Labor, Maintenance and Supplies, 1884.....	\$1,825 33
Police, 1884.....	64 06
Zoological Department, 1884.....	145 11
Harlem River Bridges, 1884.....	408 00
Central Park, Construction, 1884.....	716 00
Sewers and Drains, 1884.....	40 00
Maintenance 23d and 24th Wards, 1884.....	76 35
Riverside Park, 1884.....	328 38
Central Park, Transverse Roads, 1884.....	17 28
Morningside Park.....	5 87
Street Improvements.....	16,410 25
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, 1884.....	4 70
Surveys, Maps and Plans, 1884.....	4 70
Drainage and Irrigation at Central Park, 1884.....	15 03
Maintenance Museums, 1884.....	380 47
Skate Building, 1884.....	2,172 03
Rents, Department Public Parks, 1884.....	625 00
Entrances, Central Park at 8th Avenue, etc.....	57 50
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Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of twenty-three thousand two hundred and ninety-six dollars and six cents.

(Signed.)

WM. M. OLLIFFE,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, January 7, 1885.

The above-mentioned bills having been read, and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Parkkeepers—Rules.

Commissioner WALES presented, for the consideration of the Board, rules, regulations and instructions for the government of the force of Parkkeepers of the Department, and

moved that the same be adopted, and that five hundred copies be printed in manual form, and that the Secretary promulgate the same to the force.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Charge against Parkkeeper Sterling.

Commissioner WALES, to whom was referred the subject of investigating charges preferred against members of the force of Parkkeepers, presented a report in the case of officer James Sterling, charged with violation of rules and conduct unbecoming an officer, and recommended that the charges be dismissed.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said recommendation, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Commissioner Powers—Chime and clock.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, it was

Resolved, That Commissioner Powers be appointed a member of the Committee to report on a clock and chime of bells for the Belvedere.

Conduct of work.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, the following preamble and resolution were adopted :

Whereas, It is important that every branch of the service should be administered with the greatest possible economy consistent with a proper and efficient care and conservation of the varied interests with which this Department is charged ; therefore be it

Resolved, That the heads of the different divisions of the service report to this Board, as soon as practicable, the lowest

possible force that can be employed to both economically and efficiently prosecute the work with which the Department is charged during the present year.

Steam heating in Arsenal.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, it was

Resolved, That the Superintendent of Parks be and is hereby directed to report to this Board what changes are necessary in order to perfect the steam heating of the old Arsenal building on the Central Park.

Bridge—138th street, over Mott Haven Canal.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, the following preamble and resolution were adopted :

Whereas, It is represented by the Superintendent of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, that the drawbridge over the Mott Haven Canal at 138th street is in an unsafe condition ; and

Whereas, The owners of said canal have been repeatedly called upon to repair and make safe said bridge ; and

Whereas, It is important that the responsibility of this Department, if any, in relation to said bridge, be definitively understood ; therefore

Resolved, That the Superintendent of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards be directed to report to this Board any information he may possess as to the ownership of this canal and bridge, and whether title was ever acquired by the city for that part of 138th street occupied by said bridge ; also what repairs are necessary to be done to said bridge to put it in safe condition for public use, together with an estimate of the cost of the same.

Riverside Park—Plan for.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, it was

Resolved, That the Architect be and he is hereby directed to prepare and submit to this Board plans for the final surface improvement of Riverside Park above 115th street.

Jeannette Park—Plan for.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, it was

Resolved, That the Architect be and he is hereby directed to prepare and submit to this Board a study for the improvement of Jeannette Park, with an estimate of the cost.

Parkkeepers—Maximum force.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That in view of the sum of \$150,000 available for the use of this Department in maintaining a force of Parkkeepers during the present year, that the following be and is hereby established as the maximum number of the members of such force :

- 1 Captain.
- 1 Surgeon.
- 5 Sergeants.
- 4 Roundsmen.
- 112 Parkkeepers.
- 5 Police Tailors.
- 6 Laborers.

Laid over.

Zoological collection—Plan for.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, it was

Resolved, That the Director of the Menagerie and the Architect report to this Board, as soon as practicable, a detailed statement of such improvements as in their judgment are desirable to be done during the year, to enlarge and otherwise improve the grounds and buildings of the Zoological Garden, together with estimates of the cost of the same.

Drainage—Central Park.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, it was

Resolved, That the Engineer of Construction and the Superintendent of Parks be and they are hereby directed to report forthwith what portion of the drainage of the Central Park it is most desirable to prosecute in the coming season.

Riverdale avenue—Plans for.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, it was

Resolved, That the Engineer of Construction be and he is hereby directed to prepare and submit to this Board without delay plans and specifications for the improvement of Riverdale avenue.

Harlem River Bridges—Midnight watch.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, it was

Resolved, That until May 1st, next, the midnight watches on the Harlem River Bridges be and they are hereby discontinued, and that the Superintendent of Parks be directed to detail a laborer to act as watchman during the hours formerly occupied by each of the midnight watches.

Civil Service Commission—Draughtsmen.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS, it was

Resolved, That the Civil Service Commission be requested to transmit to this Board the names of two draughtsmen eligible for appointment.

Kelly, John—Re-appointment.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That in accordance with Regulation XVIII., of the Civil Service Regulations, the following-named person is hereby re-appointed to the position set opposite his name, subject to the further pleasure of this Board :

John Kelly, inspector.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

On motion, at 12.15 P. M., the Board went into executive session.

Powers, Commissioner, Auditing Committee.
Wales, Commissioner, Police Trials.

The PRESIDENT appointed Commissioner Powers a member of the Auditing Committee, and Commissioner Wales a committee with power to conduct police trials.

Superintendent of Parks—Working Force.

The following communications were received :

From the Superintendent of Parks, reporting in relation to the working force, and recommending as follows :

1st. That ten laborers be transferred from Riverside avenue to Central Park, where they were formerly employed.

2d. That the services of one double team, employed on Riverside avenue, be dispensed with.

3d. That the horse and cart of P. McDermott be restored to duty on the several parks.

4th. That the following persons be restored to duty as carpenters :

Benjamin G. Hunt.

James M. Davis.

George Logan.

Horatio Hardy.

Christopher Schmidt.

Peter Long.

James Mulvaney.

5th. That the following persons be restored to duty as painters :

Joseph Schilling.

Wm. Donnelly.

Pat. White.

6th. That the following persons be restored to duty as laborers :

James McCabe.

Bartholomew Murphy.

Wm. Eagan.

Peter Colgan.

Fred. W. Welp.

Thos. Moylan.

Robert Lunnie.

Chas. McNally.

Thos. Byrnes.

Thos. Geoghegan.

David J. Leahey.

Wm. Gilmore.

Walter Broadhurst.

Thos. Corcoran.

Peter Collins.

Lawrence Gilmartin.

Richard Rooney,

Michael Hackett.

Gottlieb Schmidt.

Michael Conlin.

Pat. Moynihan.

Lawrence Skelly.

Pat. Sheridan.

Thos. Lee.

John Holmes.

Thos. Dillon.

Pat. Hickey.

Michael Sheehan.

Daniel Higgins.

James Ruth.

Thomas Doyle.

Anton Wening.

Commissioner WALES moved that the recommendations of the Superintendent of Parks be adopted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Laborers—Employment of.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the employment of twelve laborers be authorized for work on the parks.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Barry, William—Skilled laborer.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That William Barry be and he is hereby appointed a Skilled Laborer, for duty in the shops, at \$2 per day.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Topographical Engineer—Salaries of employees fixed.

From the Topographical Engineer, submitting a statement of the work to be prosecuted during the present year under his charge, and the force required to carry it on.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Topographical Engineer, and in order to effectively

organize the working forces under him, that the following named persons be restored to duty with the rank and pay :

1. Horace Crosby, Assistant Engineer \$1,500 per annum.
2. Charles A. Mapes " 1,600 "
3. F. S. Dodge " 1,200 "
4. Chandler Withington, Computer 900 "
5. Thomas J. Lucy, Assistant 3 per day.
6. W. F. Wittemore " 3 "

That the following named persons, with rank and pay, be transferred for duty under the Topographical Engineer :

1. F. L. Meyer, Computer \$2 50 per day.
2. N. McConaughy, Assistant Engineer \$1,650 per annum.
3. F. W. Dalrymple, Axeman \$2 50 per day.
4. R. F. Siegel, Assistant Engineer \$1,200 per annum.

That the rank and pay of the following named persons be fixed at—

1. S. S. Haight, Assistant Engineer \$1,650 per annum.
2. S. W. Hoag, " 1,650 "
3. H. W. Vogel, " 1,650 "
4. Fredk. Grieffenberg, " 2,000 "
5. L. F. Haffen, " 1,200 "
6. A. Crueger, Draughtsman 1,200 "
7. Henry Mehles, " 1,200 "
8. S. B. Downes, Searcher 1,000 "
9. J. C. Hume, Computer 960 "
10. J. H. Schaefer, " 900 "
11. Thomas Fox, Assistant 3 00 per day.
12. John Clabby, Axeman 2 50 "

1. That James B. Smith,
2. James McGovern,
3. D. J. Shelley,

—skilled laborers, be restored and transferred for duty under the Topographical Engineer.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Reton, C. G. } Restored.
Parker, A. S. }

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That Clarence G. Reton and A. S. Parker be restored to duty under the Engineer of Construction.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Briggs, J. A.—Salary fixed.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the salary of Josiah A. Briggs, Assistant Engineer, be fixed at \$1,650 per annum, from this date.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

By-Laws.

In accordance with the notice previously given by him, Commissioner WALES presented, for the consideration of the Board, By-Laws providing for the re-organizing the Department into bureaus and defining the duties of the employees, and rules for the governing of the Board.

The same having been read through by sections,

Commissioner WALES moved that said By-Laws be adopted for the government of this Department, and that they be printed as a document of this Board, with one hundred and fifty extra copies for general use (see Doc. 97).

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Southwick, E. B. } Restoration.
Forsberg, Knut, }

Commissioner WALES moved that the action of the President in restoring to duty E. B. Southwick and Knut Forsberg be approved.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Commissioner's badge.

Commissioner OLLIFFE moved that the Secretary be authorized to purchase a Commissioner's badge for Commissioner Powers.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe—3.

Maps for Park above 155th st.

Commissioner WALES moved that the Topographical Engineer be directed to proceed with the preparation of plans for the use of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the matter of acquiring title to the land for the park north of 155th street.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirma-

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tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

On motion, at 1.25 P. M., the Executive Session arose and the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

DOCUMENT No. 97.

BOARD

OF THE

Department of Public Parks.

JANUARY 7, 1885.

Commissioner WALES presented a code of by-laws for the organization of the employees and for the government of the Department.

Ordered, That said by-laws be adopted and printed as a Document of this Board.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

CITY OF NEW YORK.

Department of Public Parks.

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.

MEETINGS.

SEC. 1. All meetings of the Board of Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks shall be held at their office, unless otherwise ordered.

SEC. 2. Stated meetings shall be held the first and third Wednesdays of each month. Other meetings may be held by adjournment, on the call of the President, or at the written request of two members. The notices of the meetings called by the President, or by any two members, shall state the matter to be presented at such proposed meeting, and no other matter shall be acted on at such meetings, except by the consent of a majority of the members then present.

SEC. 3. Meetings of the Board shall be held at 10 o'clock A. M., unless the Board otherwise orders.

SEC. 4. Notices of meetings shall be sent to each Commissioner, at his place of address, by the Secretary, at least two days before the day of the meeting for which notice is given.

ARTICLE II.

OFFICERS.

SEC. 1. The officers of the Board shall be as follows:

- 1st. A President.
- 2d. A Treasurer.

Each of whom shall hold office until the first day of May next succeeding his election, unless otherwise ordered by the Board.

There shall be also a Secretary to the Board, and such other officers as are hereafter provided for and may be from time to time required.

PRESIDENT.

SEC. 2. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board, and shall, at the regular meeting next succeeding his election, appoint and announce the standing committees.

By virtue of his office, the President shall be the executive officer of the Department, and as such he shall be charged with the duty of prosecuting all the works authorized and directed by the Board, and the carrying out of all orders and directions of the Board as may be from time to time given, subject at all times to the direction, revision and control of the Board. He shall have power to suspend at any time any Foreman, mechanic or laborer, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendents and Engineers may transfer any Foreman, laborer or mechanic. In cases of absence over five days from duty caused alone by sickness he shall, upon the recommendation of the Superintendents, Engineers or other head of Bureau have power to restore such person to duty. He shall in each case report his action to the Board at the next meeting for approval.

TREASURER.

SEC. 3. The Treasurer shall be charged with the duties of making all purchases of supplies, tools and materials, unless otherwise specifically ordered by the Board. All requisitions

for materials, tools and supplies shall be made and signed by the several heads of Bureaus or ranking employees and transmitted to the Secretary who shall report to the President the condition of the appropriation against which such materials, tools and supplies are to be charged, and upon the approval of such requisition by the President the Treasurer is empowered to make the purchases and issue written orders duly signed by him for the same.

When the purchases are made by a specific order of the Board the Secretary shall certify the same on the order issued by the Treasurer. He shall receive all moneys for permits and sale of materials and deposit them with the Comptroller or City Chamberlain as may be prescribed.

The Treasurer shall perform such other duties as may from time to time be indicated by the Board and may receive such compensation as may be determined by the Board.

SEC. 4. In the event of the death, resignation or removal of any of the officers of the Board a successor may be elected at the regular meeting next succeeding such death, resignation or removal.

BUREAUS.

The works of the Department shall be under the jurisdiction of Bureaus, as follows:

BUREAU OF RECORDS AND ACCOUNTS.

SEC. 5. There shall be a Bureau of Records and Accounts, of which the Secretary of the Department shall be the chief. He shall be the custodian of all of the books, records and accounts of the Department emanating from the Board, and all the memorandums relating thereto. He shall keep the minutes and records of the Board, promulgate all orders, issue all permits, conduct the correspondence, receive the reports and communications of the employees, and have a general supervision over the clerical forces of the Department.

BUREAU OF MAINTENANCE OF PARKS.

SEC. 6. There shall be a Bureau of Maintenance of Parks, of which the Superintendent of Parks shall be the chief.

He shall have charge of the care and maintenance of all the parks, squares and places south of the Harlem river, and control and supervise all Foremen, mechanics, laborers and others of the mechanical, gardening and working forces engaged thereon, as well as the care and maintenance of the bridges over the Harlem river.

BUREAU OF CONSTRUCTION.

SEC. 7. There shall be a Bureau of Construction, of which the Engineer of Construction shall be the chief. He shall be charged with all the works of regulating, grading, paving, guttering, curbing and flagging streets and avenues, building sewers, building bridges over the Harlem river, and of such other works as may be from time to time ordered by the Board committed to his supervision.

BUREAU OF MAINTENANCE—23D AND 24TH WARDS

SEC. 8. There shall be a Bureau of Maintenance of the 23d and 24th Wards, of which the Superintendent of the 23d and 24th Wards shall be the chief. He shall be charged with the care and maintenance of all streets, roads, avenues, bridges, sewers and drains, the removal of encumbrances and such other duties in connection with the 23d and 24th Wards as he may be from time to time charged with.

BUREAU OF TOPOGRAPHICAL ENGINEERING.

SEC. 9. There shall be a Bureau of Topographical Engineering, of which the Topographical Engineer shall be the chief.

He shall be charged with all works of surveying, monumenting and laying out of streets and avenues, parks and places, and the opening of the same and the preparation of tax maps.

BUREAU OF POLICE.

SEC. 10. There shall be a Bureau of Police, of which the Captain of Police shall be the chief.

He shall be charged with the disposition and control of the force of parkkeepers and watchmen, and the enforcement of ordinances, rules and regulations, and the preservation of order in all the parks, squares and places and streets bounding the same.

POLICE SURGEON.

SEC. 11. There shall be a Surgeon of Police, who shall look after and care for the health and physical condition of the members of the parkkeepers' force. All cases of sickness or accident to members of the force shall at once be reported to the Sergeant in charge of the station, and by him immediately reported to the Surgeon. Keepers doing duty on the lower parks may, in case of sickness or accident, report immediately to the Surgeon in person.

The Surgeon shall, on the first of January and July in each year, make to the Board a detailed written report of the physical condition of each and every member of the parkkeepers' force. He shall, from time to time, make such special reports as he may deem necessary.

SEC. 12. All appointments to and removals from this force shall be by the order of the Board.

All trials of parkkeepers shall be conducted by the President or by a Commissioner designated for that purpose.

BUREAU OF ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN.

SEC. 13. There shall be a Bureau of Architecture and Design, of which the Architect shall be the chief; he shall be charged with the preparation of plans for and supervise the works of architecture and design.

PROPERTY CLERK.

SEC. 14. There shall be a Property Clerk, who shall have charge of and be responsible for all tools, implements, and material of the Department and for all lost property found within its jurisdiction; he shall also supervise the preparation of the pay-rolls.

ARTICLE III.

GENERAL PROVISIONS.

SEC. 1. No person in the service of the Board above the grade of the working force, shall be absent from duty without leave or an excuse satisfactory therefor to the head of the Bureau in which he is employed.

SEC. 2. No committee, officer or member of the Department or person employed by this Board, shall make any purchase or incur any liability in relation to the Department, its officers or employees, unless in pursuance of power delegated by order of the Board or by the act by which it is organized.

SEC. 3. No liability shall be incurred or material ordered, furnished or delivered by any person for or on behalf of the Department, unless it shall be upon the regular form of requisition approved by the President, and thereupon an order issued by the Treasurer or by the direct order of the Board, in which case said order shall be duly certified to and issued to the person from whom the purchase is made and before the supplies are furnished.

SEC. 4. Any employee of the Department may at any time be suspended from duty by writing signed by two members of the Board; but such suspension shall not continue beyond the next succeeding meeting of the Board unless otherwise ordered by a majority vote of the Board.

SEC. 5. Before any engagement is made to place a statue, or allow a statue to be placed, on the Parks, it shall be seen in a finished condition, or in the form of a finished model, and a judgment as to its merit as a work of art shall have been requested of the respective Presidents of the National Academy of Design, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and the New York Chapter of the American Institute of Architects.

The determination of a site for any statue shall be reserved until after its acceptance.

Plans and elevations for the pedestals of statues to be placed on the Parks, shall be submitted to and approved by the Department.

SEC. 6. No Engineer, Superintendent or Architect will be allowed to commence or prosecute any new or special work of the Department until he shall have been officially notified by the Secretary that such work is to proceed, either by order of the Board or by order of a Commissioner duly and specifically empowered by the Board to direct the prosecution of such particular work.

ARTICLE IV.

COMMITTEE.

There shall be an Auditing Committee to consist of two members.

All bills, claims and accounts, before being submitted to the Board for approval shall be examined and audited by at least one member of the Auditing Committee. All bills shall be passed on separately by the Board.

The President shall be *ex-officio* a member of the Auditing Committee.

ARTICLE V.

RULES OF ORDER.

The order of business at meetings of the Board, except otherwise ordered, shall be :

- 1st. Reading of the Minutes of the previous meeting.
- 2d. Communications.
- 3d. Reports of Standing Committees.
- 4th. Reports of Special Committees and Officers.
- 5th. Motions and Resolutions.
- 6th. Miscellaneous Business.

The Ayes and Noes shall be called and recorded, on all appropriations of money, and on all other questions, at the request of one Commissioner.

Upon a call of the Ayes and Noes, the affirmative vote of a majority of all of the Commissioners of the Department shall at all times be necessary and required in order to adopt or carry the question under consideration.

All resolutions shall be in writing, with the name of the mover thereon.

All reports shall be in writing, unless otherwise agreed to and signed by a majority of the Committee to whom the matter was referred, and shall state the facts upon which the same is based and their conclusions thereon.

The Board shall be governed by the common parliamentary law, as far as applicable, as laid down in Cushing's Manual.

No by-law shall be altered, repealed or adopted, without the report of a committee thereon, nor without the assent of a majority of the whole Board, nor at the same meeting at which it is proposed, unless by the unanimous consent of all the members of the Board.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21, 1885.

REGULAR MEETING—10 A. M.

Present—Commissioner CRIMMINS, President.

“ WALES.
“ OLLIFFE.
“ POWERS.

Schwarz, Charles—Highbridge Hotel.

Charles Schwarz, licensee of the Highbridge Park Hotel, appeared before the Board and was heard in relation to his license fee now due the Department, and stated that his inability to pay the same at this time was due to the construction of the Cable road on 10th avenue, which cut off access to his premises, and practically destroyed his business.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the subject be referred to the Treasurer with power.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Martin, R. C.—Alteration of plan at Riverdale Station.

R. C. Martin, Esq., appeared and presented a bill proposed to be submitted to the Legislature for adoption, authorizing this Department to take from file a certain map showing streets in 24th Ward, and to prepare and file a new map of

such portions thereof as may be necessary in order to change the location of a certain unnamed road or avenue now laid out, leading from the Riverdale Station northerly to the 24th Ward line, and to modify the branch road connecting said road with Mount St. Vincent Station.

On motion, the further consideration of the subject was laid over.

Battersby, H.—Use of parks for children.

Mr. H. Battersby appeared and was heard in relation to opening small parks and triangles for the use of children.

On motion, the subject was referred to the President to report upon.

Connolly & Curtis—Fire test.

From Connolly & Curtis, applying for permission to erect a small building and make a fire test on some park or street within the jurisdiction of the Department.

Referred to Commissioner Powers with power.

Marvin, J. R.—Morris avenue.

J. R. Marvin, Esq., appeared and was heard in relation to a proposed bill to be presented to the Legislature giving the Department power to eliminate from the present map that portion of Morris avenue skirting Fleetwood Park on the west.

Laid over.

Hall, W. A.—Bath at Battery.

William A. Hall appeared, and asked that his license to moor a bath at the Battery be extended for a term of five years, in order to warrant his making certain improvements.

Referred to Commissioner Wales.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following communications were received :

176th street opening—House of Rest.

From the Executive Committee of the House of Rest for Consumptives at Mount Hope, protesting against the opening of 176th street through the property of that institution.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer.

Bergh, Henry—Drinking fountain.

From Henry Bergh, President of the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, asking permission to erect an ornamental drinking fountain on the plaza at 5th avenue and 59th street.

Referred to the President.

Haight, S. S.—Leave of absence.

From S. S. Haight, Assistant Engineer, asking leave of absence for 21st and 22d instant.

Denied.

Menagerie—Plans for improvement.

From the Architect and Director of the Menagerie, reporting, in conformity with the action of the Board, in relation to improvements in the accommodations for the zoological collection in the Central Park, and submitting a study showing proposed alteration of the grounds and location of proposed new buildings, with an estimate of the cost.

Referred to Commissioners Powers and Wales to report upon.

Muller, Carl—Opening College avenue.

From Carl Muller, asking that no action be taken by this Department at this time for the opening of College avenue from 148th street to 165th street.

Ordered filed.

Clark & O'Brien—Tramway across Sedgwick avenue.

From Clark & O'Brien, asking permission to lay a tramway across Sedgwick avenue to enable them to prosecute the

work under their contract with the Croton Aqueduct Commission.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, the matter was referred to the President, with power.

Moran, D. W.—Grading 148th street.

From D. W. Moran, in relation to the cause of the delay in the completion of his contract for grading, etc., 148th street, and asking that the penalty for the overtime be remitted.

Referred to the Engineer of Construction to report upon.

Mahon B.—Sewer, 8th avenue and 88th street.

From Bernard Mahon, asking that the penalty for overtime in the completion of his contract for constructing sewer across Eighth avenue at 88th street, be remitted.

Referred to the Engineer of Construction to report upon.

From the Topographical Engineer :

Topographical Engineer—Works in progress.

1st. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Melrose avenue—Width of.

2d. Submitting a map or plan of Melrose avenue, from N. 3d avenue to E. 163d street, showing a proposed change in the width of the avenue from N. 3d avenue to E. 161st street.

Laid over.

Engineer of Construction.

From the Engineer of Construction :

Casey, Thos. H.—Sewer, N. 3d avenue.

1st. Reporting upon the communication of Thomas H. Casey, requesting to be relieved of the penalty for overtime on his contract for constructing a sewer in N. 3d ave-

nue and Boston road, etc., and recommending that the penalty for fifteen days of the over-time be remitted, that being the length of time from the date of the appointment of the Inspector to the date on which the work was actually commenced.

Commissioner WALES moved that the recommendation of the Engineer of Construction be approved, and that the penalty for fifteen days of the overtime on T. H. Casey's contract for constructing sewer in N. 3d avenue and Boston road, etc., be remitted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

138th street regulating.

2d. Reporting upon a communication from D. W. Moran asking that the certificate for payment on acceptance of the work on his contract for grading, etc., 138th street from St. Ann's and College avenues be made out and transmitted, stating that the work not being completed according to the present established grade, the same cannot be accepted at this time, and further stating that he had repeatedly called upon Mr. O'Gorman in relation to the change of the grade between Willis avenue and Brown place, but as yet no deposit had been made to pay for the regrading, etc.

Commissioner WALES moved that the Engineer of Construction be directed to notify the contractor for grading, etc., 138th street to complete the walk in accordance with the established grade.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Sewer—138th street.

3d. Reporting upon the petition for the construction of a sewer in 138th street, from the summit between St. Ann's avenue and Southern Boulevard to Brook avenue.

Commissioner WALES moved that the Engineer of Construction be directed to prepare and submit plans and specifications for the constructing of a small brick sewer in 138th street.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards.

From the Superintendent of the 23d and 24th Wards :

Temporary suspensions.

1st. Reporting the temporary suspension of men and teams during stormy weather.

Approved.

Works in progress.

2d. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Jerome Ave.—Macadamizing.

3d. Reporting in relation to macadamizing Jerome avenue, from McComb's Dam Bridge to the summit south of Case's Hotel, with an estimate of the cost.

Commissioner WALES moved that the Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards be directed to prepare plans and specifications for macadamizing that portion of Jerome avenue, and submit them to the Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

From the Superintendent of Parks :

Superintendent of Parks.

Harlem River Bridges—Night watch.

1st. Reporting that he had complied with the resolution of the Board directing him to discontinue the night gang on the 3d and Madison avenue bridges with the exception of the watchmen.

Approved.

Heating Arsenal.

2d. Reporting in relation to the condition of the heating appliances at the Arsenal building.

Referred to Commissioner Powers to report.

Shreiber, Fred.—Lost time.

3d. Reporting on the application of Fred Schreiber asking to be allowed pay for five days' time lost on account of sickness.

Commissioner OLLIFFE moved that pay be allowed Fred Schreiber for the five days on which he was absent on account of sickness.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

3d Avenue Bridge—Accident.

Fitzpatrick, Dennis, Engineer—Suspension. }

4th. Reporting in relation to an accident which occurred at the 3d avenue bridge on the morning of the 12th inst., to the steamboat Maggie Moran, while passing through the draw of the bridge, and stated that he had suspended Engineer Dennis Fitzpatrick, who was on duty at the time, for having failed to report the accident.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the matter be referred to Commissioner Wales to investigate, with power to restore Engineer Fitzpatrick, if in his judgment it may seem proper.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Liberty Pole at Battery.

5th. Reporting that in the high wind of 17th inst. the liberty pole at the Battery was blown down.

Referred to the Treasurer to obtain estimates for the erection of a new pole.

Audit.

Commissioner POWERS, from the Auditing Committee, presented the following report :

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Allen, O'Grady & Co., Estimate No. 4. Sewer, etc., Wash- ington Avenue, bet. Brook Ave. and 169th St.	\$3,417 05
Arnold, David P., meat Zoological Dept., 1884	261 80
Brady, James, labor and materials . . . Mt. St. Vincent Refreshment House, 1884	300 00
Burnet & Co., labor and materials . . . Maint. 23d & 24th Wards, 1884	639 71
Canda & Kane, cement Entrances Central Park, at 8th Ave., 77th and 81st Streets	\$24 15
Central Park, Transverse Rds, 1884	33 35
Riverside Avenue, 1884	28 75
	86 25

Carroll, Thomas, labor and materials.	Surveys, Maps and Plans, 1884.	\$7 50
Central Gas-light Co., removing lamps. Sewer, etc., 145th and 144th Sts., between 3d and Brook Avenues, and in 143d St. bet. Alexander and Brook Aves, etc.		28 00
Connolly, John E., corn.	Zoological Dept., 1884.	37 00
Coogan, William, monuments.	Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, etc., 1884	322 80
Dunican, P., use of monitor	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards, 1884	8 00
The Hazard Powder Co., powder and fuse.	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards, 1884.	21 40
Herbert, H. L. & Co., coal	Zoological Dept., 1884.	47 00
Hodgman & Co., rubber coats	Police, 1884.	437 50
Holmes Burglar Alarm Telegraph Co., labor, etc.	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1884.	3 58
Jones, Chas., Estimate No. 1.	Pile Foundation Sewer, Webster Ave., bet. 165th and 184th Sts.	3,871 35
Jones, Chas., amount retained.	Morningside Park.	1,337 50
Knickerbocker Ice Co., ice.	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1884.	3 96
McGrath, Denis, payment on acceptance	Crosswalks at 3d, Morris and Willis Avenues, 1884.	179 85
McGrath, Denis, payment on acceptance.	Crosswalks at 3d, Morris and Willis Avenues, 1884.	308 83
McAllister, F. E., shovels.	Drainage and Irrigation of Central Park, 1884.	11 48
McAllister, F. E., handles.	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards, 1884.	6 75

Milliken, David, saw dust	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1884..	\$4 50
Milliken, David, saw dust	Zoological Dept., 1884.....	7 50
The Metropolitan Telephone and Tele- graph Co., rental.....	Telephonic Ser- vice, 1884.....	312 50
Moran, Dennis W., payment on accept- ance.....	Regulating, etc., 148th St., from N. 3d to St. Ann's Ave.....	3,010 49
The New York Mutual Gas-light Co., gas.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1884..	43 50
Nesbit's Sons, John, cement.....	Transverse Rds., Central Park, 1884.....	57 50
O'Brien, M., milk.....	Zoological Dept., 1884.....	14 88
Pridgeon's Hamilton Bakery, bread ...	Zoological Dept., 1884.....	69 75
Pope & Klie, vegetables, etc.....	Zoological Dept., 1884.....	32 50
Raynolds, C. T. & Co., oil.....	Harlem R. Bdgs., 1884.....	24 91
Robitzek, G. & Bro., coal.....	Surveys, Maps and Plans, 1884....	11 00
Robitzek, G. & Bro., coal.....	Harlem R. Bdgs., 1884.....	52 50
Rohrey, John, repairs to harness.....	Maint 23d & 24th Wards, 1883... \$2 00 Maint. 23d & 24th Wards, 1884... 3 60	
Starke, Caspar, repairs to harness.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards, 1884... <hr/>	5 60
Seymour, W. N. & Co., nails	Skate Building, 1884.....	13 50
Seymour, W. N. & Co., sundries.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards, 1884... <hr/>	6 45
Steers Brothers, spruce.....	Skate Building, 1884.....	25 81
Steers Brothers, locust posts.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1884..	296 00
Stern, B. & Son, pants.	Police, 1884.....	490 99
Stern, B. & Son, overcoats contract...	Police, 1884.....	43 75
		2,570 20

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Schillinger, John J., pavement.....	Paradise Park, 1884.....	\$162 96
Scott, D., fish.....	Zoological Dept., 1884.....	10 85
Schoonmaker, S. A. & Co., turpentine, etc.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards, 1884...	12 45
Taylor, A. S., newspapers.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1884..	7 61
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RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance and Supplies, 1884.....	\$554 14
Zoological Department, 1884.....	481 28
Maintenance 23d and 24th Wards, 1884.....	781 22
Street Improvements.....	10,321 89
Surveying, Laying out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, etc., 1884	322 80
Mount St. Vincent Refreshment House, 1884.....	300 00
Harlem River Bridges, 1884.	77 41
Police, 1884.....	3,051 45
Entrances Central Park, at 8th Avenue, 77th and 81st Streets	24 15
Central Park Transverse Roads, 1884.....	90 85
Morningside Park.....	1,337 50
Riverside Avenue, 1884.....	28 75
Crosswalks at 3d, Willis and Morris Avenues, 1884.....	488 68
Surveys, Maps and Plans, 1884.....	18 50
Drainage and Irrigation, 1884.....	11 48
Maintenance 23d and 24th Wards, 1883.....	2 00
Telephonic Service, 1884.....	312 50
Paradise Park, 1884.....	162 96
Skate Building, 1884.....	302 45
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Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of eighteen thousand six hundred and twenty dollars and one cent.

(Signed)

JESSE W. POWERS,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, January 21, 1885.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now

approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

143d street paving—Estimate for.

Commissioner WALES presented an estimate in favor of Denis McGrath for paving 143d street, amounting to \$6,358.67, and moved that the same be audited and sent to the Finance Department for payment in place of the estimate for said work audited at the last meeting of the Board for \$9,061.37, the same being withdrawn and canceled.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Museum of Natural History—Enlargement of building.

Commissioner WALES presented a communication from the President of the American Museum of Natural History in relation to enlarging the Museum building.

Museum of Natural History.
Special Committee.

On motion of Commissioner OLLIFFE, it was

Resolved, That this Board does hereby approve the proposition made by the Trustees of the American Museum of Natural History, for the enlargement of the Museum building, in order to provide suitable accommodation for public instruction provided by the State, therefore to facilitate this most desirable end, the subject be referred to Commissioners Wales and Powers to confer with the Committee of the Trustees of the Museum and make report to this Board.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the following-named assessment lists for flagging the centre of the eastern sidewalk a space four feet wide in St. Ann's avenue, from 138th street to the Southern Boulevard ; sewer and appurtenances in 139th street, from North 3d avenue to the summit between Alexander and Willis avenues, with branches in Alexander avenue, between 139th and 140th streets ; laying crosswalks at the intersection of Denman place, and Leggett and Tinton avenues ; constructing sewers and appurtenances in 146th street, between 3d avenue and Brook avenue, with branches in Willis avenue, between 146th and 147th streets, and in Courtland avenue, between 3d avenue and 151st street ; constructing sewer and appurtenances in 144th street, between North 3d avenue and College avenue ; constructing a sewer and appurtenances in 144th street, between College avenue and 143d street ; regulating and grading 142d street, and setting curb and gutter-stones, and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide therein, from Willis to Brook avenue ; laying crosswalks across the northern, eastern and western intersections of Lincoln avenue and the Southern Boulevard ; regulating and grading 155th street, and also setting curb and gutter-stones, and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide therein, from Elton avenue to Courtland avenue ; constructing a sewer and appurtenances in 138th street, between Willis and Brook avenues ; with a branch in Brown place, between 138th and 137th streets ; constructing a sewer and appurtenances in 140th street, between North 3d avenue and Alexander avenue, with a branch in Alexander avenue, between 140th and 141st streets ; regulating and grading 143d street, and also setting curb and gutter stones and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide therein, from Willis to Brook avenue ; laying crosswalks across Railroad avenue, opposite Tremont depot of the New York and Harlem Railroad, and at the southerly intersection of East 176th street ; constructing a sewer and appurtenances in 145th street, between North 3d avenue and College avenue ; laying crosswalks in East 153d street at its intersection with each avenue, and of each avenue with said street, between the westerly curb-line of North 3d avenue and at the easterly curb-line of Railroad avenue East ; and constructing sewers and appurtenances in 145th and 144th streets, between 3d and Brook avenues, and in 142d street, between Alexander and Brook avenues, with branches in Willis avenue, between 146th and 142d streets, and in Alexander avenue, between

143d and 142d streets, and also the statements of the amounts and costs of the works therein mentioned, be approved and signed by the Commissioners of the Department, and transmitted to the Board of Assessors.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Supt. of Parks—Employment of carts.

From the Superintendent of Parks, recommending the employment of additional horses and carts for work on the parks.

Commissioner WALES moved that the employment of four horses and carts be authorized.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Supt. of Parks—McDonald, Peter ; Markentine, Chris.

From the Superintendent of Parks, asking that Peter McDonald and Chris. Markentine, now detailed as watchmen, be returned to duty as laborers on City Parks.

Commissioner WALES moved that Peter McDonald and Chris. Markentine be returned to duty as laborers on City Parks.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Superintendent of 23d and 24th Wards—Force required to carry on work.

From the Superintendent of the 23d and 24th Wards, reporting in compliance with an order of the Board in relation to the smallest force that can be employed to both economically and efficiently prosecute the work under his charge during the present year.

Laid over.

Repairs to Fleetwood Bridge.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the subject of repairing the bridge over Cromwell's creek leading to Fleetwood be referred to Commissioner Powers with power, and that he be authorized to employ a carpenter therefor.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Topographical Engineer—Force required.

From the Topographical Engineer, reporting, in compliance with an order of the Board, in relation to the smallest force that can be employed to both economically and effectually prosecute the work under his charge during the present year.

Ordered filed.

Architect—Employment of draughtsman.

From the Architect, recommending the employment of a topographical draughtsman.

Forsberg, Knut—Transferred.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That Knut Forsberg be transferred temporarily from the Bureau of Construction to the Bureau of Architecture and Design.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the

affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Sewer—North 3d avenue.

From Patrick Garvin, George Gayner and others, petitioning for the construction of a sewer in North 3d avenue, between 164th and 165th streets.

Referred to the Engineer of Construction to report.

Fordham & Morrisania R. R.—To lay tracks.

From William Cauldwell, on behalf of the Harlem Bridge, Morrisania and Fordham Railway Company, modifying the application of said company for a permit to lay their tracks through 138th street.

Referred to the President to confer with the Counsel to the Corporation in relation to the same.

Civil Service—Eligible list of Draughtsmen.

From the Secretary, etc., of the Civil Service Examining Board, submitting a list of persons eligible for appointment as draughtsmen.

Aukemer, Ernest, } appointed.
Bausch, Paul, }

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That Ernest Aukemer and Paul Bausch be and they are hereby appointed draughtsmen for duty in the Topographical Bureau, at a salary of \$1,200 per annum, each.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Larkin, Martin, restoration.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the action of the President in restoring Martin Larkin to duty as Carpenter on the 9th inst., be and the same is hereby approved.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Civil Service—Re-appointments.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That in accordance with Regulation XVIII. of the Civil Service Regulations, the following-named persons are hereby reappointed to the positions set opposite their names, respectively, subject to the further pleasure of this Board :

James Murphy, Steam Engineer.
Joseph Southworth, Inspector.
D. J. Shelley, Axeman.
George E. Carter, Parkkeeper.
William Grefe, Parkkeeper.
George A. Mott, Parkkeeper.
Joseph W. Gerard, Parkkeeper.
Patrick Meehan, Parkkeeper.
Arthur Hirsch, Parkkeeper.
Thomas A. Howard, Parkkeeper.
Daniel M. Donegan, Inspector.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Legislative Bills.

Commissioner OLLIFFE offered the following :

Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to arrange for obtaining complete files of Senate and Assembly bills of the present Legislature, at a cost of \$50.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Executive session.

On motion, at 12 o'clock, the Board went into executive session.

Assignment—Charles Jones.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board an assignment of Chas. Jones to James J. Jones of the moneys to grow due under his contract for building a pile foundation for the Webster avenue sewer.

Commissioner OLLIFFE moved that the consent of this Board be given to the assignment of Chas. Jones of the moneys due or to grow due under his contract for a pile foundation for the Webster avenue sewer to James J. Jones.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Estimates.

The Treasurer presented the following estimates :

Latticework, Refreshment Building.

1st. For latticework under the veranda at Refreshment-house in Central Park and for painting the same.

James Brady.....	\$293 00
McGovern & Boland.....	207 00
E. Vreeland & Van Doorn.....	170 00

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the Treasurer be authorized to issue an order to E. Vreeland & Van Doorn for doing the work, at an expense not exceeding the amount of their estimate.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Claremont—Carpenter work.

2d. For carpenters', painters' and plumbers' work at Claremont Hotel, Riverside Park:

McGovern & Boland.....	\$297 00
James Brady.....	253 00
E. Vreeland & Van Doorn.....	240 00

Commissioner POWERS moved that the Treasurer be authorized to issue an order to E. Vreeland & Van Doorn for doing the work, at an expense not exceeding the amount of their estimate.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

Mineral Spring.

Commissioner WALES presented a communication from Carl H. Schultz, asking for a renewal of his license for the sale of mineral waters at the Central Park Mineral Spring, and moved that the license of Mr. Schultz be renewed for a term

of three years from May 1 next, upon the same terms and conditions as heretofore.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

23d and 24th Wards—Works to be prosecuted.

Commissioner WALES, presented a communication from the Superintendent of the 23d and 24th Wards, submitting a map showing macadamized roads, and roads proposed to be macadamized in the 23d and 24th Wards, which was referred to Commissioners Wales and Powers to examine and submit a written report in relation thereto.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Employment authorized.

Resolved, That the employment of one painter be authorized, and that Michael Doyle, with double team, and Thomas Green, laborer, be and they are hereby restored to duty.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Olliffe, Powers—4.

On motion, at 12.45 P. M., the Executive Session arose and the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1885.

REGULAR MEETING—10 A. M.

Present—Commissioner CRIMMINS, President.

“ WALES.

“ POWERS.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following communications were received :

Corporation Counsel—Cabs with signs passing through Park.

From the Counsel to the Corporation, in relation to the powers of the Department to enforce the ordinances and prohibit cabs with advertisements and business devices painted on them from passing through the Park.

Ordered filed.

Morris, A. N.—Morris avenue discontinuance.

From A. Newbold Morris, approving of the proposed bill for discontinuing that portion of Morris avenue, in the 23d Ward, adjoining Fleetwood Park.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer to report upon.

Knapp, E. M.—Bridges over Harlem railroad tracks.

From E. M. Knapp, protesting against the construction of bridges over the Harlem railroad tracks at Tremont station.

Ordered filed.

Kimball, Henry—Use of fountain.

From Henry Kimball, applying for permission to use the fountain near the Post-office, in City Hall Park, as a place for dispensing food, etc., to the poor.

Ordered filed.

Telle, H. C.—For employment.

From Vincent C. King and others, recommending Hamilton C. Telle for employment as Carpenter in this Department.

Ordered filed.

Kelly, Isabella—For employment.

From Isabella Kelly, asking employment as cottage attendant.

Ordered filed.

Reilly, Sarah M.—For employment.

From Sarah M. Reilly, asking employment as cottage attendant.

Ordered filed.

Forsberg, Knut—Increase of pay.

From Knut Forsberg, Draughtsman, asking for an increase of pay.

Ordered filed.

Jeannette Park—Designs for.

From the Architect, submitting a design for the improvement of Jeannette Park, with an estimate of the cost of the proposed improvement.

Laid over.

Board Estimate and Apportionment.

From the Clerk of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, transmitting a copy of the following preamble and resolution :

Whereas, The words "and Metropolitan Museum of Art" were inadvertently omitted in the text of the appropriation to the Department of Public Parks for "Maintenance of Museums" in the year 1885; therefore,

Resolved, That the same be and is hereby corrected, and that the appropriation shall read as follows: "Maintenance of Museums—For the keeping, preservation and exhibition of the collection in the American Museum of Natural History and the Metropolitan Museum of Art, \$30,000."

Ordered filed.

Trinity avenue—Width and grade of.

From the Topographical Engineer, submitting a map showing the change in the width of Trinity avenue from 80 to 50 feet, between East 156th and East 165th streets, as authorized by law; also, a map showing the proposed change of the grades of Trinity avenue, from Clifton street to East 165th street.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following:

Resolved, That the resolution passed by the Board of Parks at a meeting held November 21, 1884, adopting, and directing the President to certify and file three similar copies of, a map entitled "Plan and Profile showing Trinity avenue, from East 156th street to East 165th street, in the 23d Ward of the City of New York," dated New York, November 19, 1884, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following:

Resolved, That under and by virtue of the powers conferred on the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York, by chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, and chapter 457 of the Laws of 1884, they do hereby alter, classify and establish a certain avenue of the width, extent, direction, grade and class, shown on a map or plan entitled "Plan and Profile showing Trinity avenue, from East 156th street to East 165th street, in the 23d Ward of the City of New York," dated New York, February 2, 1885, and signed S. F. Chalfin, Topographical Engineer, D. P. P., and that the President be and he is hereby

designated and directed to have prepared and to certify and file three similar plans and profiles of the same, in pursuance of the provisions of the law above cited.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Topographical Engineer—Works in progress.

From the Topographical Engineer, reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Engineer of Construction—159th street regulating, etc., overtime.

From the Engineer of Construction :

1st. Reporting upon a communication from B. C. Murray, asking to be relieved of the penalty for overtime on his contract for regulating, grading, etc., 159th street, from North 3d to Railroad avenue, east, and recommending that all penalty for overtime on said contract be remitted on account of delays in the progress of the work.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the penalty for overtime on the contract for grading, etc., 159th street be remitted, in accordance with the recommendation of the Engineer of Construction.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Regulating, etc., 148th street—Overtime.

2d. Reporting upon a communication from D. W. Moran, asking to be relieved of the penalty for overtime on his con-

tract for grading, etc., 148th street, and recommending that no deduction be made from the penalty for such overtime.

On motion, the request of the contractor was denied, and said report was ordered filed.

Sewer, 8th avenue, 88th street—Overtime.

3d. Reporting upon a communication from Bernard Mahon, asking to be relieved of the penalty for overtime on his contract for constructing a sewer across 8th avenue at 88th street and into Central Park, and recommending that the penalty for one-quarter day be remitted, that being the amount of the overtime.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the penalty for the overtime on the contract for constructing a sewer across Eighth avenue, at 88th street, etc., be remitted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Sewer North 3d avenue.

4th. Reporting upon the petition of Patrick Garvin and others for the construction of a sewer in North 3d avenue, between 164th and 165th streets.

Laid over.

Morningside Park—Foundations.

5th. Reporting in relation to the foundation for the stone stairways at Morningside Park, near 121st street, 116th street and 110th street.

Laid over.

Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards.

Bridge over Mott Haven canal at 138th street.

From the Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards :

1st. Reporting, in accordance with an order of the Board, in relation to the ownership of the Mott Haven canal and the bridge over the same at 138th street; also, the repairs necessary to be done to said bridge, with an estimate of the cost.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, the subject of raising the grade of 138th street, from Mott avenue to 3d avenue, was referred to the Topographical Engineer to report thereon to the Board, and the subject of the condition of the bridge over the canal at 138th street, and the repairs necessary to be made to it, were referred to Commissioner Powers to report upon.

Works in progress.

2d. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Temporary suspensions.

3d. Reporting the temporary suspension of men and teams during stormy weather.

Approved.

Superintendent of Parks—Heating apparatus at Conservatory.

From the Superintendent of Parks, reporting upon the condition of the heating apparatus at the Conservatory in Central Park.

Referred to Commissioner Powers to report.

Clark & O'Brien—Use of ground at High Bridge.

From Clark & O'Brien, asking permission to erect a temporary storehouse on a piece of land situated on the site of the proposed suspension bridge and east of Sedgwick avenue.

Referred to Commissioner Powers to report.

165th street—Petition for opening

From Isabel T. Perry, Charlotte F. Trowbridge and others, petitioning for the opening of 165th street, between Union and Westchester avenues.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer to report upon.

Audit.

Commissioner POWERS, from the Auditing Committee, presented the following reports :

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Brady, James, Estimate No. 2	Erecting, etc., Ladies' and Gentlemen's Cottages, 1884.....	\$1,336 50
Chalfin, S. F., petty expenses	Surveys, Maps and Plans, 1884.....	25 93
Curley, J. & Brother, steel tape.	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards, 1884 ...	3 60
Dunican, P., use of Monitors.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards, 1884....	60 00
Goeller, Geo. C., rent	Rents, D. P. P., 1884.....	\$33 34
	Rents, D. P. P., 1885.....	16 66
		50 00
Imperial Silica Paint Works, paints and oils	Harlem R. Bdgs., 1884	89 00

Mahon, Bernard, labor and materials.	Drainage and Irrigation of Central Park, 1884	\$407 82
Milliken, David, sawdust.	Zoological Dept., 1884	7 50
Miller, Morrison & Co., saddles, etc	Police, 1884	122 00
O'Donnell & Treanor, coal.	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1884.	\$115 87
	Zoological Dept., 1884	47 50
	Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, 1884	4 75
	Surveys, Maps and Plans, 1884	4 75
	Central Park, Construction, 1884.	2 75
	Riverside Avenue, 1884	82
	Riverside Park, 1884	83
	Harlem R. Bdgs., 1884	5 50
	Entrances Central Park at 8th Ave. 77th and 81st Streets	1 38
	Morningside Park.	1 10
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Robitzek, G. & Bro., coal.	Harlem R. Bdgs.	52 50
Robitzek, G. & Bro., coal.	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	62 50
Steele, George, labor and materials.	Const. Bdgs. over Harlem River.	780 00
Viele, Egbert L., personal expenses	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1884.	23 39
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		<u>\$3,205 99</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance and Supplies, 1884.....	\$139 26
Zoological Department, 1884.....	55 00
Maintenance 23d and 24th Wards, 1884.....	126 10
Erecting Ladies' and Gentlemen's Cottages, 1884.....	1,336 50
Surveys, Maps and Plans, 1884.....	30 68
Harlem River Bridges, 1884.....	147 00
Rents, Department Public Parks, 1884.....	33 34
Rents, Department Public Parks, 1885.....	16 66
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps, 1884.....	4 75
Central Park, Construction, 1884.....	2 75
Drainage and Irrigation, Central Park, 1884.....	407 82
Riverside Park, 1884.....	83
Riverside Avenue, 1884.....	82
Construction Bridges over Harlem River, 1884.....	780 00
Police, 1884.....	122 00
Entrances Central Park, at 8th Avenue, 77th and 81st Streets, 1884.....	1 38
Morningside Park.....	1 10
	\$3,205 99

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of thirty-two hundred and five dollars and ninety-nine cents.

(Signed.)

JESSE W. POWERS,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, February 4, 1885.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Allen O'Grady & Co., Estimate No. 5. Sewer, Washing- ton Avenue, bet. Brook Ave. and 169th Street....		\$3,088 85
Colgate & Co., soap	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs	\$20 63
	Zoological Dept. . .	80
	Harlem R. Bdgs. . .	1 77
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		23 20
Conklin, W. A., subscriptions to "Reg- ister"	Zoological Dept. . .	5 00
Coffin, Paul C., locks, etc.	Zoological Dept. . .	11 25
Connolly, John E., oats, etc.	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs	523 83
Denning, E. J. & Co., crash, etc.	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs	\$15 96
	Zoological Dept. . .	75
	Surveying, Laying- out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps	1 25
	Harlem R. Bdgs. . .	3 12
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Connolly, John E., oats, etc.	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.	53 14
Harmer, Hays & Co., sundries	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs	59 37
Herbert, H. L. & Co., coal	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs	\$103 40
	Zoological Dept. . .	47 00
	Surveying, Laying- out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps	9 40
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		159 80

Kirkpatrick, Thomas, badge....	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const, and Repairs	\$30 00
McGrath, Denis, Estimate No. 1	Regulating, etc., 156th St., from west curb-line N. 3d Ave. to east curb-line Rail- road Avenue ...	1,199 59
Masterson, John S., payment on accept- ance	Filling Sunken Lots, N. W. cor. 165th Street and Forrest Ave....	179 82
Marquand, H. G. Treasurer, expenses Museum of Art.	Maint. Museums ..	1,711 74
McAllister, F. E., bird seed, etc.	Zoological Dept. ...	18 00
Metropolis Oil Co., oil.	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs	\$15 45
	Harlem R. Bdgs. .	84 50
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Moffat, David & Co., leather	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs	18 40
Nesbit's Sons, John, lime	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs	115 00
Pierson & Co., iron	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs	82 67
Robitzek, G. & Bro., coal	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs	60 00
Seymour, W. N. & Co., tacks and wrenches	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs	6 16
Seymour, W. N. & Co., nails, etc.	Zoological Dept. ..	9 23
Schoonmaker, S. A. & Co., potash.	Morningside Park.	3 75
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RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance, Supplies, Construction and Repairs.	\$1,050 87
Zoological Department.....	87 03
Harlem River Bridges.....	89 39
Street Improvements.....	4,463 26
Maintenance 23d and 24th Wards.....	53 14
Surveying, Laying out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps..	10 65
Maintenance Museums.....	1,711 74
Morningside Park.....	3 75
	\$7,469 83

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of seventy-four hundred and sixty-nine dollars and eighty-three cents.

(Signed)

JESSE W. POWERS,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, February 4, 1885.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Kellogg, M. A., petty disbursements... Surveys, Maps and Plans, 1884.....	\$35 12
Doherty, H. H., petty disbursements.. Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1884..	12 00

Doherty, H. H., petty disbursements.. Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs	\$83 58
Zoological Dept.	8 89
Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	1 06
Surveying, Laying out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps	50
	\$94 03
	\$141 15

RECAPITULATION.

Surveys, Maps and Plans, 1884.....	\$35 12
Labor, Maintenance and Supplies, 1884.....	12 00
Labor, Maintenance, Supplies, Construction and Repairs.	83 58
Maintenance 23d and 24th Wards.....	1 06
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps..	50
Zoological Department.....	8 89
	\$141 15
	\$141 15

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of one hundred and forty-one dollars and fifteen cents.

(Signed)

JESSE W. POWERS,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, February 4, 1885.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Sewer North 3d avenue.

The PRESIDENT presented a communication from the Engineer of Construction, enclosing certificate for payment on acceptance of the work of constructing a sewer in North 3d avenue and Boston road; also, a bill of H. B. Kirk, amounting to \$32.12, against the contractor, and stating that the contractor had agreed to deposit a sum with the Comptroller sufficient to pay the claim of Mr. Kirk.

The PRESIDENT moved that the certificate for payment on acceptance of the work of constructing sewer in North 3d avenue and Boston road, amounting to \$6,723.53, be approved and transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, together with the bill of Mr. Kirk and the communication from the Engineer of Construction, for such action as the Comptroller may deem necessary.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Skate Building—Final estimate.

The PRESIDENT presented a communication from the Architect submitting the final estimate in favor of M. Magrath for the erection of a skate building in Central Park, amounting to \$6,147.69, and enclosing a communication from Mr. Magrath asking to be relieved of the penalty for not completing his contract within the time specified, with the recommendation that all penalty for overtime be remitted.

Commissioner WALES moved that the penalty for overtime on M. Magrath's contract for erecting skate building be remitted, and that the final estimate, amounting to \$6,147.69, as submitted by the Architect, be approved and transmitted to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

23d and 24th Wards—Maintenance.

Commissioner WALES, from the committee consisting of Commissioners Wales and Powers, to whom was referred the subject of prosecuting the maintenance work in the 23d and 24th Wards, made a verbal report and presented an estimate prepared by the Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards of the quantity of material required for macadamizing and repairing roads during the present year, and moved that contract and specifications for furnishing such material be prepared and printed, and when so printed, and approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation, that the Secretary be directed to insert advertisements in the *City Record* inviting proposals for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would accept said report and agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Camp, H. N.—Stone from Aqueduct.

From Hugh N. Camp, suggesting that the rock to be taken from the tunnel for the New Aqueduct in the 23d and 24th Wards be broken up and used upon the roads in and around the 24th Ward by this Department.

On motion, the Secretary was directed to reply to Mr. Camp, stating that in the judgment of this Board, with its experience in the matter of hauling and breaking stone for use on the roads in the 23d and 24th Wards, it would not be economical and for the best interest of the city to utilize the stone to be taken from the tunnel of the New Aqueduct, said stone not being such as is required for macadamizing, and that trap-rock stone can be furnished by contract, deliv-

ered on the ground, of the uniform size and quality required, for a much less price than it will cost to haul and break the inferior stone mentioned.

College avenue—Against opening.

From Mrs. M. A. Heyer, H. N. Rockwell and others, asking that the map of the 23d Ward be so amended and altered as to omit the opening and extending of College avenue, from 148th street to 165th street.

Ordered filed.

The PRESIDENT stated that in accordance with the action of the Board at the last meeting, he had conferred with the Counsel to the Corporation in the matter of the application of the Harlem Bridge, Morrisania & Fordham Railway Co. for permission to lay their tracks in 138th street, who advised that it was the duty of this Department to grant such permission, and that upon such advice he had issued a permit to said Railway Co., authorizing them to proceed with the work of laying their tracks.

On motion, the action of the President was approved.

Drinking fountain at Plaza.

The PRESIDENT, to whom was referred the application of Henry Bergh, President of the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, for permission to erect a drinking fountain on the Plaza at 5th avenue and 59th street, made a verbal report and presented a diagram showing the proposed site for the fountain.

On motion, the further consideration of the subject was laid over.

Quarterly report.

The PRESIDENT announced that he had transmitted to the Mayor the report of the transactions of the Department for the quarter ending December 31, 1884.

Walter Jones—Stone.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication received by him from Walter Jones, agreeing to sell, for the sum of \$500, all the stone belonging to him and lying upon the Central Park in the vicinity of 104th street and 5th avenue.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the Treasurer be authorized to issue an order to Walter Jones for the purchase of the stone belonging to said Jones, now lying upon the Central Park, at the price of \$500.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Gravel, Roa Hook—Supply.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a form of contract and specifications for furnishing gravel, together with a communication from the Counsel to the Corporation, acknowledging the receipt of one from this Department in relation to obtaining a supply of Roa Hook gravel at public letting, stating that he knew of no provision of law which would prevent this Department from contracting for the particular kind of gravel desired, especially in this case, the gravel bed being free to all comers at a specified price, the cost of transportation and delivery affording a basis for competition.

The PRESIDENT submitted a communication received by him from Louis D. Beck, agent and attorney for the owners of the Roa Hook Gravel Bank, agreeing to furnish to all persons who may desire to make proposals to this Department, double screened gravel from the Roa Hook bank, prepared in the same manner as that heretofore furnished by him, delivered on scows at his dock at Roa Hook at a uniform price to each and every person, reserving to himself the right at all times

to protect himself and the bank in the matter of payments and mode of doing business.

Commissioner WALES moved that the form of contract and specifications as presented be approved and ordered printed, and when so printed, and approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation, that the Secretary be directed to insert advertisements in the *City Record* inviting proposals for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Perkins, James H.—Claim for extra work.

From James H. Perkins, stating that the Comptroller had refused to pay for the extra work necessitated by the reduction of the width of Trinity avenue at 165th street, and embodied in his contract for grading that street, and enclosing a bill for the same, amounting to \$44.32.

Referred to the Auditing Committee.

Street Openings—Urged forward.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, appointed for the purpose of acquiring title to the lands for the opening of certain streets and avenues and the taking of lands under the order of the Board of Health for the construction of drains under action of this Department, as follows :

Railroad avenue, March 15, 1882.
 Webster avenue, February 7, 1883.
 Prospect avenue, February 7, 1883.
 Wales avenue, February 7, 1883.
 Tinton avenue, February 7, 1883.
 Kelly street, February 7, 1883.
 Bungay street, February 7, 1883.
 East 149th street, February 7, 1883.
 East 162d street, February 7, 1883.

East 169th street, February 7, 1883.

Rider avenue, August 14, 1883.

Courtland avenue, May 7, 1884.

Lands for Drains—

Morrisania District, September 13, 1882.

Highbridgeville District, September 13, 1882.

West Farms District, December 20, 1882.

Woodstock District, December 20, 1882.

Bound Brook District, October 17, 1883.

—be notified that the sanitary condition of the neighborhoods in which these streets and avenues are located, demand, as a preservation of the public health, that sewers and drains be constructed through said streets, avenues and lands, and that this Department is prevented in the construction of such sewers and drains until said streets and avenues are regularly opened according to law, and requesting said Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment to use all diligence and speed in their power to hasten the prosecution of the duties entrusted to them, in order that this Department may construct the sewers and drains required.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Executive Session.

On motion, at 12 o'clock, the Board went into Executive Session.

The following communications were received :

Shaefer, J. H.—Pay fixed.

From J. H. Shaefer, Computer, asking for an increase of pay.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the salary of J. H. Shaefer, Computer, be and the same is hereby fixed at \$1,200 per annum, from this date.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Cullen, Thomas—Suspended.

From the Superintendent of Parks, reporting the suspension of Thomas Cullen, Steam Engineer, for neglect of duty.

Commissioner WALES moved that the action of the Superintendent of Parks in suspending Engineer Cullen be approved.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Civil Service—Parkkeepers for appointment.

From the Secretary of the Civil Service Examining Board, submitting the following names of persons eligible for appointment as parkkeepers :

Patrick J. Flynn,
Samuel Collins,
James Oliver,
James E. Dillon,
John O'Keefe,
James M. Shannon,
Edward H. Hall.

Ordered filed.

Ender, Christian—Restored.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That Christian Ender be and he is hereby restored to duty as laborer on Central Park.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Overtime—Pay for.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the laboring force employed under the Superintendent of Parks be paid at the rate of twenty-two cents per hour for all time they may be required to work over the specified time of eight hours for a day's work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Cottage laborers—Pay.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That hereafter all Attendants in cottages, both males and females, be paid at the rate of fifteen cents per hour.

Laid over.

Parkkeepers—Charges.

Commissioner WALES, to whom was referred the subject of investigating charges preferred against members of the police force of the Department, made a verbal report and recommended as follows :

1st. That the charges against the following parkkeepers be dismissed.

August H. Kassing, absence without leave.

George E. Carter, absence without leave.

Thomas McGuire, absence without leave (two charges).

Arthur Hirsch, absence without leave.

2d. That Bernard Bray be fined one day's pay for neglect of duty, and that George E. Carter be fined one day's pay for absence without leave.

3d. That William Holt be fined five days' pay and reprimanded for being absent from duty without leave.

4th. That John Larkin be fined two days' pay and reprimanded for being absent from duty without leave.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said recommendations, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Waste of time, tools, or materials.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That any Superintendent, Foreman, workingman or laborer, who shall permit or consent to any waste of time, tools or material, shall be liable to suspension or dismissal, at the discretion of the Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

On motion, at 12.20 p. m., the Executive Session arose and the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1885.

REGULAR MEETING—10 A. M.

Present—Commissioner CRIMMINS, President.

“ WALES.

“ POWERS.

Edsall, T. H.—Map 12th and 24th Wards.

T. H. Edsall, Esq., appeared before the Board, and was heard in relation to a proposed bill to alter and amend the laying-out of the 12th and 24th Wards, in connection with the new channel line, as adopted by the United States Government authorities.

Washington avenue—Grade.

Messrs. Speck, Hanlon, Magoff and others, property-owners, appeared, and were heard in relation to changing the grade of Washington avenue, and a petition was received from Edward Baker, H. C. Hackman and others, property-owners on 166th and 167th streets, and on Washington avenue, between said streets, in relation to the same subject.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the subject of the alteration of the grades of Washington avenue and the streets and avenues crossing said avenue be referred to the Engineer of Construction and the Topographical Engineer, to examine into and report upon, with such plans, showing all such changes and alterations, as they may deem necessary.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Randall, S. S.—H. R. R. Tracks.

Mr. S. S. Randall appeared and was heard in relation to sinking the tracks of the New York and Harlem R. R. Co. in the 23d and 24th Wards, and stating that the property-owners of that vicinity do not approve of the plans now on exhibition, and suggesting that the tracks be sunken or tunnelled to the present grade of 167th street.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following communications were received :

Board of Health—Mott Haven Canal.

From the Secretary of the Health Department, transmitting a copy of a report upon the sanitary condition of the Mott Haven Canal.

Ordered filed.

Bertholf, H.—Pay of.

From the City Paymaster, stating his inability to pay Henry Bertholf the money due him, on account of his illness, and asking authority to pay the same to Mrs. Bertholf.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Whereas, During the illness of Mr. Bertholf, the Bridge Service at McComb's Dam Bridge is being conducted by the forces employed by him ;

Resolved, That the City Paymaster be requested to pay to the wife of Mr. Bertholf the salary due or to become due him from time to time during his sickness, in order that Mrs. Bertholf may pay the men employed by him to maintain the Bridge Service.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said preamble and resolution, and it was determined

in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Brook avenue—grade of.

From W. Stebbins Smith, Henry McGough and others, petitioning for a change in the grade of Brook avenue, from North 3d avenue to 165th street.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer to report upon.

Telephone—Agreement for.

From the General Manager of the Metropolitan Telephone and Telegraph Company, relative to the cost of removing the telephone from 88th street and Riverside avenue to 96th street and North river.

The President stated that it would be necessary to make arrangements for a renewal of the agreement with the Telephone Company for a continuance of the service.

Commissioner WALES moved that the whole subject of continuing the telephone service and the removing of the line from 88th street to 96th street and Riverside avenue, be referred to the President, with power.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Bayne, Wm.—Music.

From William Bayne, Band Master of the 69th Regiment, offering to furnish music to the Department during the coming concert season.

Ordered filed.

Murray, B. C.—Sewer 139th street.

From B. C. Murray, asking for a reduction in the amount of penalty for overtime on his contract for constructing a sewer in 139th street, between Brook avenue and the summit between Willis and Alexander avenues.

Referred to the Engineer of Construction to report upon.

Graham, C. H.—Sick time.

From Chas. H. Graham, Assistant, asking to be allowed pay for five days' lost time on account of sickness.

Commissioner WALES moved that pay be allowed Chas. H. Graham for the five days' time lost by him on account of sickness.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Topographical Engineer.

From the Topographical Engineer :

Works in progress.

1st. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Opening 157th street.

2d. Reporting upon a petition of Solomon Berliner and John Paul for the opening of East 157th street, between Elton and North 3d avenues, and recommending that proceedings be initiated for opening the same.

Corporation Counsel—Open 157th street.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be and he is hereby authorized and directed to commence and

prosecute proceedings on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, for acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to that part of East 157th street, lying between Elton and North 3d avenues, as the same has been heretofore laid out as a public street or avenue, and that the Commissioners of this Department be authorized to sign a petition to the Supreme Court for that purpose.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Morris avenue—Eliminate from map.

3d. Reporting adversely upon a communication from A. Newbold Morris approving of the bill proposed to be submitted to the Legislature for adoption for discontinuing that portion of Morris avenue, 23d Ward, adjoining Fleetwood Park.

Ordered filed.

Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards.

From the Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards :

Temporary suspension

1st. Reporting the temporary suspension of men and teams on account of stormy weather.

Approved.

Works in progress.

2d. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Suspensions.

3d. Reporting the suspension of three double teams, one blaster, and eleven laborers, by order of the President.

On motion, the action of the Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards was approved.

Roussel, Louis, } Restoration.
Carroll, Wm. }

4th. Reporting that he had restored Louis Roussel and Wm. Carroll to duty, with the rank and pay of laborers, and asking that his action be approved.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that action of the Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards be approved.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Jeannette Park Plans.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the plans for the improvement of Jeannette Park be adopted and the Architect be directed to prepare contract and specifications for doing the work on the Park between Front and South streets, and that the same be printed and when approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation, that the Secretary insert advertisements in the *City Record* inviting proposals for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Foreman—Overtime.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Foreman and Assistant Foreman on the Central Park engaged overtime in cleaning the ice be paid per hour for such overtime at the same rate of pay they now receive.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Civil Service—Reappointment.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That in accordance with Regulation XXXV. of the Civil Service Regulations, the following-named persons are hereby reappointed to the positions set opposite their names, respectively, subject to the further pleasure of this Board :

J. F. Flynn, Parkkeeper.

John Maguire, Parkkeeper.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Assessment lists.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the following-named assessment lists : “for regulating and grading Alexander avenue, and also setting curb-stones, flagging the sidewalks, laying crosswalks and paving the roadway therein with trap blocks, from the Southern Boulevard to North 3d avenue”; “for regulating and grading Morris avenue, and also setting curb and gutter-stones and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide therein, from 138th to 156th street”; “for regulating and grading Lincoln avenue, and also setting curb-stones and flagging the sidewalks from the northern curb-line of the Southern Boulevard to the eastern curb-line of North 3d avenue”; “and for regulating and grading Courtland avenue, and also setting curb and flagging therein from North 3d avenue to East 156th street”; and also the statements of the amounts and costs of the works therein mentioned, be approved and signed by the Commissioners of the Department, and transmitted to the Board of Assessors.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

McCabe, James—Increase of pay.

From the Superintendent of Parks, enclosing an application of James McCabe for an increase of pay.

Laid over.

Audit.

Commissioner POWERS, from the Auditing Committee, presented the following report :

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Kellogg, M. A., petty expenses.....	Surveys, Maps and Plans		\$18 74
The Metropolitan Telephone and Telegraph Company, rental.....	Telephonic Service, 1884.....		312 50
Morgan, J. P., Treasurer, expenses, Museum of Natural History.....	Maint. Museums..		1,615 25
Murray, B. C., payment on acceptance.....	Regulating, etc., 159th St., from west curb-line N. 3d Ave. to east curb-line Railroad Ave., East.		1,823 16
Murray, B. C., estimate No. 3.....	Sewer, etc., 139th St., from summit bet. Willis and Alexander Aves. to Brook Avenue.....		1,639 12
Estate of Wm. Simpson, rent of office.....	Rents—D. P. P., 1884.....	\$80 00	
	Rents—D. P. P., 1885..	40 00	
			120 00
			<u>\$5,528 77</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	\$18 74
Telephonic Service, 1884.....	312 50
Maintenance Museums.....	1,615 25
Street Improvements.....	3,462 28
Rents—Department Public Parks, 1884.....	80 00
Rents—Department Public Parks, 1885.....	40 00
	\$5,528 77

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of fifty-five hundred and twenty-eight dollars and seventy-seven cents.

(Signed)

JESSE W. POWERS,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, February 18, 1885.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Bertholf, H.—Report on bills.

Commissioner WALES, to whom was referred the bills of Henry Bertholf, amounting to \$292.50, for extra services in opening the draw of the McComb's Dam Bridge, presented a report stating that he had examined into the matter and found, from the statement of Mr. Bertholf, that the President instructed him in September last, verbally, to put on such an additional force of men as was necessary to open the draw when required during the night; that upon receiving such orders he employed additional forces to the amount of the bills submitted; that on September 4, the President notified him that complaints were made that the bridge was not opened at night,

and directing him to open it at all hours; that Mr. Bertholf acted in good faith, and should be reimbursed to the amount expended by him; that the balance to the credit of the account, "Harlem River Bridges," is not sufficient to pay this claim, and recommending that the matter be referred to the President, with power to apply to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment and secure a transfer from the account, "Maintenance—23d and 24th Wards," sufficient to pay this claim.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to accept said report and adopt the recommendation as therein contained, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Bridge, Mott Haven Canal—Repairs to.

Commissioner POWERS, to whom was referred the subject of the repairs necessary to be made to the bridge over the Mott Haven Canal at 138th street, made a verbal report, stating that he had examined the same and found it to be in need of repair.

On motion, the further consideration of the subject was laid over.

Heating apparatus—Conservatory.

Commissioner POWERS, to whom was referred the subject of the present condition of the heating apparatus at the conservatory in Central Park, at 105th street and 5th avenue, made a verbal report, recommending that the present building be enlarged and the heating apparatus repaired, and that the old walls adjoining the building be taken down.

On motion, the subject was referred back to Commissioner Powers to obtain from the Architect plans and estimates for doing the work recommended in his report.

Clark & O'Brien

Commissioner POWERS, to whom was referred the application of Clark & O'Brien for permission to erect a temporary storehouse on a piece of land situated on the site of the proposed suspension bridge and east of Sedgwick avenue, reported adversely thereon.

Adopted.

Heating Claremont.

The Treasurer presented the following estimates for a steam-heating apparatus for Claremont, on Riverside Park :

Baker, Smith & Co., \$966.

Gillis & Geoghegan, \$1,140.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the Treasurer be authorized to issue an order to Baker, Smith & Company for furnishing a steam-heating apparatus at Claremont, in accordance with their proposal, for the sum of \$966, and that the whole subject be referred to the Treasurer, with power.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Dodge, F. S.—Leave of absence.

From F. S. Dodge, Assistant Engineer, asking that a portion of his vacation for 1885 be granted him for the first week in the coming month.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer to report upon.

Cullen, Thos.—For restoration.

From Thomas Cullen, asking to be restored to duty as Steam Engineer.

Ordered filed.

Mahon, B.—Sewer across 8th avenue—Final estimate.

A communication was received from the Engineer of Construction, transmitting the final estimate of Bernard Mahon, amounting to \$3,777.94, for constructing sewer across 8th avenue, together with a bill of the Consolidated Gas Company, amounting to \$45.70, for work done in repairing gas-pipes claimed to have been broken by Mahon. Mr. Mahon appeared before the Board and denied the justice of the claim, whereupon Commissioner WALES moved that said estimate be duly signed and transmitted to the Finance Department, together with the bill of the gas company and the communication of Engineer Kellogg, for such final settlement as the Comptroller may deem proper.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Executive Session.

On motion, at 12 o'clock the Board went into Executive Session.

Doherty, H. H.—Services dispensed with.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the services of Henry H. Doherty, as Clerk in this Department, be and they are hereby dispensed with from and after this date.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Commissioner Powers—To elect Treasurer

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That Commissioner Powers be and he is hereby elected Treasurer of this Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the negative, a majority of all of the members of the Board not voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins—2.

No—Commissioner Powers—1.

Collins, Samuel—Appointed Parkkeeper.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That Samuel Collins be and he is hereby appointed a Parkkeeper on the force of this Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Flynn, P. J.—Appointed.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That Patrick J. Flynn be and he is hereby appointed a Parkkeeper on the force of this Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

On motion, at 12.35 P. M., the Executive Session arose, and the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 1885.

REGULAR MEETING—10 A. M.

Present—Commissioner WALES.
“ POWERS.

A quorum not being present,

Adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 1885.

SPECIAL MEETING—10 A. M.

The Board met pursuant to the following :

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, }
36 UNION SQUARE, March 9, 1885. }

Mr. E. P. BARKER, *Secretary* :

SIR—Please issue notices for a meeting of the Board to be held on Wednesday next, 11th inst., at 10 A. M., for the purpose of receiving and opening proposals and for the consideration of such other business as may be presented.

Respectfully,

JOHN D. CRIMMINS,
President, D. P. P.

Present—Commissioner CRIMMINS, President.

“ WALES.

“ POWERS.

At the hour of ten o'clock, Mr. E. G. Marsh, the representative of the Comptroller, being present, and the meeting open to the public, the PRESIDENT, in the presence of the representative of the Comptroller and such of the persons making proposals as were present, opened the estimate-box and publicly opened and read all the estimates or proposals which had been received in accordance with advertisements published in the *City Record* for the following works namely :

No. 1. For regulating, grading, laying sidewalks and paving with granite-block pavement, with asphaltic joints, the approaches to the Madison avenue bridge over the Harlem river.

No. 2. For the erection of granite steps, platforms, brick arches, iron beams, etc., etc., required at the seven octagonal bays and three entrances on Morningside Park, adjoining Morningside avenue, New York City.

Table of Bids for Regulating, Grading, Laying Sidewalks, and Paving with Granite-block Pavement, with Asphaltic Joints, the Approaches to the Madison Avenue Bridge over the Harlem River.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	1		2		3		4	
			BERNARD MAHON.		JOHN DONALDSON.		GEO. F. DOAK.		B. C. MURRAY.*	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Granite block pavement, with asphalted joints.....	1,250 sq. yds.	\$3 00	\$3,750 00	\$4 01	\$5,012 50	\$3 50	\$4,375 00	\$3 90	\$4,875 00
2	Granite flagging, 8 inches in thickness.....	6,700 sq. ft.	1 20	8,040 00	96	6,432 00	1 15	7,705 00	1 90	12,730 00
3	Rubble masonry in cement.....	380 cub. yds.	4 50	1,710 00	3 75	1,425 00	4 50	1,710 00	5 25	1,995 00
4	Concrete for foundation of pavement.....	210 "	3 00	630 00	4 50	945 00	5 00	1,050 00	4 00	840 00
5	Time specified, 50 days.....									
	Totals.....			\$14,130 00		\$13,814 50		\$14,840 00		\$20,440 00

* Informal.

Table of Bids for Regulating, Grading, Laying Sidewalks, and Paving with Granite-block Pavement, with Asphaltic Joints, the Approaches to the Madison Avenue Bridge over the Harlem River.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	5		6		7	
			JOHN B. DEVLIN.		J. W. O'GRADY.		JAMES BAIRD.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Granite block pavement, with asphalted joints.....	1,250 sq. yds.	\$3 14	\$3,925 00	\$2 35	\$2,937 50	\$5 41	\$6,762 50
2	Granite flagging, 8 inches in thickness	6,700 sq. ft.	1 15	7,705 00	82	5,494 00	50	3,350 00
3	Rubble masonry in cement.....	380 cub. yds.	4 50	1,710 00	4 60	1,748 00	6 00	2,280 00
4	Concrete for foundation of pavement.....	210 "	4 08	856 80	4 40	924 00	2 00	420 00
5	Time specified, 50 days.....							
	Totals.....			\$14,196 80	...	\$11,103 50	....	\$12,812 50

TABLE OF BIDS.

For the erection of granite steps, platforms, brick, arches, iron beams, etc., required at the seven octagonal bays and three entrances on Morningside Park, adjoining Morningside avenue, New York City, March 11, 1885.

No.	Name of Bidder.	Amount.
	B. C. Murray.....	\$119,000 00
	John B. Devlin.....	93,800 00
	Nolan and McGrath.....	77,700 00

The PRESIDENT announced to the Board, officially, the death of William M. Olliffe, late a Commissioner of this Department, at his residence in this city, on the night of Monday, the 9th instant, and stated that the flags of the Department had been ordered placed at half-mast and the Departmental office suitably draped in mourning, and that it was fit and proper at this time for the members of this Board to take suitable action, and record upon its minutes an evidence of their high appreciation of their late colleague.

Whereupon Commissioner WALES offered the following :

The sad death of William M. Olliffe, a Commissioner of this Department, though not an unexpected event, occurred on Monday night, 9th instant, at the residence of his father-in-law, Mr. Jordan L. Mott.

During his connection with this Board Mr. Olliffe had held successively the offices of President and Treasurer.

Moved by this untimely death, the members of this Board deem it fitting to record upon its minutes their high appreciation of his character and many virtues. We bear witness to his unbending integrity, his conscientious discharge of duty, his watchful devotion to the interests of the city, and to his kind, courteous and considerate demeanor towards all. Thus has he left behind him a record of an honorable and useful life.

As a suitable recognition of our respect and esteem for the memory of our late associate, we extend to his bereaved family our sincere sympathy and condolence.

Ordered, That a copy of this minute, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family; that the flags of the Department be placed at half-mast, and the Department office closed on the day of the funeral.

In offering this minute Commissioner WALES remarked :

In moving this official tribute to the memory of our departed friend it will be proper that I should say a few words. I have been associated with Mr. Olliffe as a member of this Board for a period of more than four years, and during all this time our personal and official relations were always of the most friendly character. I do not now call to mind that any circumstance has occurred between us to cause pain or regret. For several months past I have witnessed his struggle with an insidious disease which was gradually but surely wearing his life away, and at times, when weariness came upon him, he has intimated to closer friends, the conviction, that his days upon earth were fated to an early determination.

The conflict is over, the end has come, and to us who survive there is sorrow in the thought that one in the very prime of his manhood, surrounded as he was by all the comforts and luxuries of home, and in the love and respect of kindred and friends should be thus prematurely cut down. Mr. Olliffe possessed many estimable traits of character. I may mention one conspicuous virtue, honored by all men—he was to those who had won his confidence, a true and unswerving friend—his nature was manly, open and sincere, and in all his intercourse with men, he was a stranger to simulating arts and devices that sometimes characterize the conduct of those who are engaged in the contentions of political life.

Mr. Olliffe was more the patriot than the partisan, and his personal and public integrity were above all question. I have never known him to suggest or approve in this administration doubtful expedients or immoral acts. In this respect he has left to us the example of official rectitude. If he erred at all it was upon the conservative side of extreme caution, lest by hasty conclusion he might be led into some mistake that would reflect upon his official character.

Mr. Olliffe possessed a generous nature—he was kindly considerate towards all worthy persons employed in this Department, and yet, in the exercise of this feeling, he

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was prompt and quick to apply censure and disapprobation upon those who were found derelict in duty.

His face we shall see no more—his chair is vacant except in the mournful emblems which surround it—his pleasant smile and cordial greeting are withdrawn— but, the memory of his public and private virtues will remain to us as precious recollections.

On motion of Commissioner POWERS, the minute as offered, was unanimously adopted, and the remarks of Commissioner Wales ordered entered at length upon the minutes.

The PRESIDENT, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Commissioner Olliffe, declared the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,

Secretary.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 1885.

REGULAR MEETING—10 A. M.

Henry R. Beekman, Esq., who had been appointed a Commissioner of Parks, presented his certificate of appointment, which was ordered entered upon the minutes, as follows :

MAYOR'S OFFICE, }
NEW YORK, March 17, 1885. }

In pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, I hereby appoint Henry R. Beekman a Commissioner of Parks of the City of New York, in the place of William M. Olliffe, deceased, for the unexpired term of said William M. Olliffe,

W. R. GRACE,
Mayor.

[SEAL.]

The roll being called,

Present—Commissioner CRIMMINS, President.

“ WALES.
“ POWERS.
“ BEEKMAN.

The minutes of the meetings of February 18, March 4 and 11, were read and approved.

The following communications were received :

Board of Aldermen.

From the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen, transmitting copies of the following ordinance and resolution :

140th street regulating, etc.

Ordinance to regulate, grade, etc., 140th street, from North 3d avenue to Morris avenue.

Referred to the Engineer of Construction.

Trees on 3d avenue—To remove.

Resolution to remove two trees from the sidewalk of North 3d avenue, between 139th and 140th streets.

Referred to Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards, with directions to cut down and remove said trees.

Corporation Counsel.

Mill Brook drains.

From the Counsel to the Corporation, stating, in reply to a communication from this Department, that the report of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the matter of acquiring right of way for Mill Brook drains was confirmed March 1, 1884, and the appeal which was taken from it was affirmed by the Court at General Term on May 29, 1884.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer.

Mill Brook sewer assessment list.

From the Counsel to the Corporation, in relation to the levying of an assessment for constructing a sewer in Brook avenue, from tide-water to 165th street, the assessment list having been returned to this Department by the Board of Assessors, with a communication from its Chairman stating that it would be unwise to levy the assessment until the whole improvement was completed, and giving as his opinion that he finds no reason why the assessment should not be levied at this time, the assessment list having been returned to this Department mainly on the theory that this Brook avenue sewer was a part of one single improvement which had not been completed. That from a personal interview with an engineer of this Department, and with the Secretary of the

Board of Assessors, it is discovered that this theory is not warranted by the facts.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to transmit to the Board of Assessors the assessment list for the construction of the Brook avenue sewer from a point on tide-water to a point on 165th street, together with a copy of the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation in relation to the same.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Treasurer—Salary.

From the Counsel to the Corporation, in answer to an inquiry from this Department whether the Commissioners of Public Parks are authorized to pay to one of their number elected to the office of Treasurer a salary for his services in such office, and stating that section 52 of the New York Consolidation Act, which provides for the salaries of the officers of the city, seems to be specific and unambiguous ; that whatever may be the service performed by any member of the Board of Commissioners other than the President, he shall receive no salary therefor.

Ordered filed.

Board of Estimate and Apportionment—Consolidation of accounts.

From the Clerk of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, transmitting a copy of the following preamble and resolution adopted by said Board :

Whereas, The appropriation made by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to the Department of Public Parks, in the Final Estimate for 1885, for "Labor, Maintenance, Supplies, Construction and Repairs," specifies the amounts for each item of expenditure, and such specification is not deemed necessary and advisable ; therefore

Resolved, That said appropriation be and is hereby amended so that it shall read as follows :

Labor, Maintenance, Supplies, Construction and Repairs—For all supplies, excepting those for which specific appropriations are made, and wages of all persons employed on works of maintenance, excepting those employed in the Zoological Department, and including the maintenance of the Meteorological Observatory, Paradise Park, and for completion of retaining-wall of the Transverse roads, and for Construction and Repairs, as follows :

For Labor, Maintenance and Supplies	} \$295,000 00
For Laying New and Repairing Old Walks in the Central and City Parks and Places.....	
For Erecting New and Repairing Old Cottages.....	
For Repairs to Refreshment Building in the Central Park	
Improvement of Manhattan Square.....	
Drainage and Irrigation of Parks.....	
Construction of Central Park.....	
East River Park Sea-wall.....	

Ordered filed.

Fisk, Harvey—Bay-windows, Park avenue and 39th street.

From Mrs. Louisa Fisk and Harvey Fisk, petitioning for the continuance and maintenance of the bay-windows on the house and lot known as No. 79 Park avenue.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the consent of the Department of Public Parks be and is hereby given to the maintenance of the extensions as now erected from the basement to the top on the front and side of the building situate on the south-east corner of Park avenue and 39th street, the same to continue during the pleasure of this Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Cauldwell avenue—Opening.

From Weeks W. Culver, Henry Ruhl and others, petitioning for the opening of Cauldwell avenue.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer to report.

Melrose avenue—Opening.

From Christoph Pesenecker, C. Diedrich and others, petitioning for the opening of Melrose avenue.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer to report.

Fairmount avenue—Repairs.

From M. K. Hamilton, Charles Clark and others, petitioning for the macadamizing of Prospect avenue, from Fairmount avenue to Samuel street.

Referred to Commissioners Wales and Powers to report.

Music—Ninth Regiment Band.

From Col. Wm. Seward, Jr., recommending Conterno's Ninth Regiment Band for furnishing music for Park concerts during the coming season.

Ordered filed.

Music—J. L. Brown.

From J. Lewis Brown, offering to furnish music for Park concerts during the coming season.

Ordered filed.

Music—Secretary to report on.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, the subject of music was referred to the Secretary to report upon.

Bray, S. W.—For employment.

From John H. Sherwood, recommending S. W. Bray for employment as painter.

Ordered filed.

McCormack, E. W.—For employment.

From Edward McCormack, applying for employment as painter.

Ordered filed.

Dodge, Wm. E.—Statue.

From Richard M. Hunt, submitting a plan showing the site of the proposed Wm. E. Dodge monument, and stating his readiness to commence work on the foundation.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, it was

Resolved, That the Presidents of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, National Academy of Design and N. Y. Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, be requested to examine the statue of Wm. E. Dodge, proposed to be erected in the triangle at the junction of 6th avenue and Broadway at 35th street, and report to this Board as to its merits as a work of art.

Wheeler, Wm.—Stand at Battery.

From William Wheeler, asking permission to make use of the space under the steps of the Elevated Railroad adjoining the Hamilton Ferry-house, at the foot of Whitehall street.

Ordered filed.

Property Clerk—Inventory.

From the Property Clerk, submitting an inventory of the tools, materials, etc., belonging to the Department, under date January, 1885.

Ordered filed.

Engineer of Construction.
Topographical Engineer.
Washington avenue—Grade of.

From the Engineer of Construction and Topographical Engineer, submitting a plan and profile showing proposed changes in the grades of Washington avenue, between East 166th and 168th streets.

On motion, said plan and profile was ordered placed on exhibition in the office of the Topographical Engineer for ten days, and the Secretary was directed to insert an advertisement in the *City Record* inviting persons interested in the proposed changes of grade to call and examine the plan.

Topographical Engineer—165th street opening.

From the Topographical Engineer :

1st. Reporting upon the petition of Isabel T. Perry, Charlotte F. Trowbridge and others, for the opening of East 165th

street, from Union avenue to Westchester avenue, and recommending that the request of the petitioners be granted.

Counsel to Corporation—Opening 165th street.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be and he is hereby authorized and directed to commence and prosecute proceedings on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, for acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to that portion of East 165th street lying between Union and Westchester avenues, as the same has been heretofore laid out as a first-class street or avenue, and that the Commissioners of this Department be authorized to sign a petition to the Supreme Court for that purpose.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

176th street opening.

2d. Reporting upon the petitions of B. W. Bradford, A. H. Gerding and others, for the opening and widening of East 176th street, and for the closing of Morris street, from Anthony avenue to Morris avenue ; from Wm. W. Walker, J. A. K. Steele and others, for the establishing of grades for East 176th, Popham, and 177th streets, and for the opening of East 176th street, between Jerome and Tremont avenues ; and also relative to three protests against the proposed opening and grading of East 176th street, signed by F. M. Smith, James F. Mulholland, the Executive Committee of the House of Rest for Consumptives, and others.

Ordered filed.

Brook avenue—Grade of.

3d. Reporting upon an application of W. Stebbins Smith, Henry McGough and others, to alter, change, or amend the grade of Brook avenue, from North 3d avenue to East 165th street,

and submitting a map, plan and profiles showing a proposed depressing of the tracks of the Port Morris Branch of the N. Y. and Harlem Railroad; also the consequent changes which might be made in the grades of Brook avenue and other streets and avenues provided the tracks are depressed as proposed.

On motion, the Secretary was directed to insert an advertisement in the *City Record* inviting persons interested to call at the office of the Topographical Engineer and examine the plans showing the proposed depression of tracks and changes of grades.

Dodge, F. S.—Leave of absence.

4th. Reporting upon an application of F. S. Dodge, Assistant Engineer, for a leave of absence, to be taken on account of his summer vacation, and stating that the services of Mr. Dodge could not be well spared at the present time.

Ordered filed.

Works in progress.

5th. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Engineer of Construction.

Regulating, etc., 149th street.

Regulating, etc., 168th street.

From the Engineer of Construction:

1st. Submitting plans and specifications for regulating, grading, etc., 149th street, from North 3d avenue to the Southern Boulevard, and for regulating, grading, etc., East 168th street, between the Boston road and Union avenue.

Commissioner WALES moved that said plans be approved.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Murray, B. C.—Overtime.

2d. Reporting upon a communication from B. C. Murray, asking to be relieved of penalty for thirty days' overtime on his contract for constructing sewer in 139th street, etc., and stating that he could see no valid reason for recommending a reduction of the penalty for such overtime.

Commissioner WALES moved that the application of B. C. Murray for a reduction in the amount of penalty for overtime on his contract for constructing sewer in 139th street be denied.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Washington avenue—Grade of.

3d. Inclosing a protest from L. Borrmann against the proposed change of grade of Washington avenue, near its intersection with Brook avenue.

Ordered filed.

Campbell, Daniel—Sick time.

4th. Inclosing an application from Daniel Campbell, Assistant, to be allowed pay for two and one-half days' time lost on account of sickness, and recommending that the same be allowed.

Commissioner POWERS moved that pay be allowed Daniel Campbell, Assistant, for two and one-half days' time lost on account of sickness.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Church, Walter S.—Resignation.

5th. Inclosing the resignation of Walter S. Church.

Accepted.

Spuyten Duyvil Parkway—Line of.

6th. Calling attention to the necessity for changing the line and grade of the Spuyten Duyvil Parkway, occasioned by the removal of the depot of the N. Y. C. & H. R. R. R.

Referred to Commissioner Beekman to report.

Supt. of Parks.

Draw of 3d Ave. Bridge.

From the Superintendent of Parks, in relation to the condition of the draw of the 3d Ave. Bridge, and the necessity for having the same remedied.

Commissioner POWERS moved that the subject of repairing the draw of the 3d Ave. Bridge be referred to the Treasurer to confer with Mr. W. E. Worthen, Engineer, in relation to the same.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Supt. 23d and 24th Wards.

From the Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards :

Temporary suspension.

1st. Reporting the temporary suspension of men and teams during stormy weather.

Approved.

Works in progress.

2d. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Ward, Geo. E.—Complete Belvedere.

From George E. Ward, offering to complete the work of replacing the column, etc., on the lookout at the Belvedere for the sum of \$50.

Referred to the Treasurer to report.

Audit.

Commissioner POWERS, from the Auditing Committee, presented the following reports :

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Christensen, H. B., maps.....	Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment		
	Maps, 1884.....	\$7	20
	Surveys, Maps and Plans, 1884.....	3	75
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		\$10	95
Cairns & French, whistles.....	Police, 1884.....		18 00
Fischer, Geo. & Bro., heating pipes...	Skate Building, 1884		144 10
Hanley, L. M., harness	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1884..		933 00
Marquand, H. G., Treasurer, expenses			
Museum of Art.....	Maint. Museums, 1884		92 04
McKinney, J. H. & Co., helmets	Police, 1884		300 00
Murray, P., harness repairs	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards, 1884 ...		149 55
Scoville Manufacturing Co., buttons ..	Police, 1884.. ...		92 25
Taylor, A. J., newspapers	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1884..		13 80
Toumey, John, labor and materials....	Riverside Park, 1884.....		510 00
Toumey, John, labor and materials....	Skate Building, 1884		179 00
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		\$2,442	69
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Labor, Maintenance and Supplies, 1884.....	\$946 80
Police, 1884.....	410 25
Skate Building, 1884.....	323 10
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Lists, 1884.....	7 20
Surveys, Maps and Plans, 1884.....	3 75
Maintenance Museums, 1884.....	92 04
Maintenance 23d and 24th Wards, 1884.....	149 55
Riverside Park, 1884.....	510 00
	\$2,442 69

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of twenty-four hundred and forty-two dollars and sixty-nine cents.

(Signed)

JESSE W. POWERS,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, March 4, 1885.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

American Supply Co., waste.....	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs.....	\$10 00
Arnold, David P., meat.....	Zoological Dept ..	281 19
Bradley, Edward, mould.....	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs.....	948 75
Brandis, Frederick E., repairs.....	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	12 75

Bauman Bros., chairs.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards		\$13 50
Bullinger, E. W., subscriptions to "Monitor Guide"	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs		6 00
Central Gas-light Co., lamp-posts	Sewer, Westches- ter Avenue and 150th St., bet. Brook and Court- land Aves., with branch in Alex- ander Ave., bet. 150th and 141st Streets		11 50
Christensen, H. B., maps	Surveys, maps and Plans		2 10
Connolly, John E., oats	Zoological Dept...		5 25
Denning, E. J. & Co., towels	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs		2 40
Fayerweather & Ladew, belting	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs		6 90
Ferris, Edwin & Co., salt	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs	\$1 75	
	Zoological Dept...	3 00	
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The Gutta Percha and Rubber Manu- facturing Co., rubber packing.....	Harlem R. Bdgs..		3 83
Harmer, Hays & Co., blankets.....	Police		24 00
Hodgman & Co., sheet capes.....	Police		8 40
Hodgman & Co., hip boots	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs		44 94
Jones, Walter, granite.....	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs		500 00
McLaughlin, W. J., clipping	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs		9 00
McNab & Harlin Manufacturing Co., straight cocks.....	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs		2 96

Marquand, H. G., Treasurer, salaries and wages	Maint. Museums..	\$1,701 74
Nesbit's, John, Sons, lime.....	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs.....	115 00
The N. Y. Mutual Gas-light Co., gas..	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs.....	46 05
O'Donnell & Treanor, coal.....	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs.....	\$120 55
	Zoological Dept..	9 40
	Harlem R. Bdgs..	1 65
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		131 60
O'Brien, M., milk.....	Zoological Dept..	14 88
Pratt Manufacturing Co., astral oil....	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs.....	7 80
Pierson & Co., iron	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs.....	11 08
Pierson & Co., iron	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	14 46
Pridgeon's Hamilton Bakery, bread ...	Zoological Dept..	68 79
Porter's William, Sons, lamp wick ...	Harlem R. Bdgs..	2 40
Pope & Klie, vegetables.....	Zoological Dept..	33 25
Schoonmaker, S. A. & Co., whitewash brushes.....	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs.....	15 00
Scott, D., fish.....	Zoological Dept..	10 85
The Tuttle & Bailey Manufacturing Co., registers, etc.....	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs.	52 15
White, Charles W., white wood	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs.....	105 00
White, Charles W., stakes	Surveying, Laying- out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps.....	12 00
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		\$4,240 27
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Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.....	\$2,005 33	
Zoological Department.....	426 61	
Harlem River Bridges	7 88	
Maintenance 23d and 24th Wards.....	27 96	
Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	14 85	
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps.	12 00	
Police	32 40	
Maintenance Museums.....	1,701 74	
Street Improvements.....	11 50	
		\$4,240 27

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of forty-two hundred and forty dollars and twenty-seven cents.

(Signed)

JESSE W. POWERS,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, March 4, 1885.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval:

Carroll, Thomas, blacksmithing.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards, 1884....	\$10 50
Carroll, Thomas, blacksmithing.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	12 00
Central Gas-light Co., removing lamps.	Sewer, Grove St., bet. Brook and North 3d Aves., with connecting sewers.....	69 00

Herbert, H. L. & Co., coal	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs	\$267 10
Howard & Morse, wire guards	Zoological Dept.	7 00
Martin, J. M. C. & Sons, brushes	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs	84 63
The Metropolitan Telephone and Telegraph Company, rental	Telephonic Service, 1884.	312 50
Mitchell, A. H. & Bro., oats, etc.	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	23 30
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, feed boxes, etc	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs	51 50
Moran, Dennis W., Estimate No. 1 . . .	Regulating, etc., Westchester Ave., from east crosswalk N. 3d Avenue to East curb-line Prospect Ave.	1,131 55
Murray, B. C., Estimate No. 1	Met. Museum of Art, Enlargement of.	6,129 00
O'Donnell & Treanor, coal	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs	\$70 00
	Zoological Dept.	43 50
	Surveys, Maps and Plans	4 35
	Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps	4 35
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Porter's Sons, Wm., lamps	Surveys, Maps, and Plans	9 00
Stern, B. & Son, pantaloons	Police	32 00
		\$8,261 27

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Labor, Maintenance, Construction and Repairs	\$473 23
Zoological Department.....	50 50
Metropolitan Museum of Art, Enlargement of.....	6,129 00
Maintenance 23d and 24th Wards.	35 30
Police	32 00
Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	13 35
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps..	4 35
Street Improvements	1,200 55
Maintenance 23d and 24th Wards, 1884.....	10 50
Telephonic Service, 1884.....	312 50
	\$8,261 27

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of eighty-two hundred and sixty-one dollars and twenty-seven cents.

(Signed)

JESSE W. POWERS,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, March 18, 1885.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Bertine, Edwin R., ensign.....	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs.....	\$20 00
Barker, W. H., binding assessment lists.....	Regulating, etc., Willis Ave., from Southern Boulevard to N. 3d Ave.....	7 00

Chalfin, S. F., petty expenses.....	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	\$2 26	
	Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps.....	82 50	
			<hr/> \$84 76
Coffin, Paul C., sundries.....	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs.....	\$308 08	
	Riverside Avenue.....	10 71	
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Connolly, John E., corn, oats, etc.....	Zoological Dept.		47 45
Connolly, John E., oats, corn, etc.....	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs.....		356 43
Connolly, John E., hay.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....		24 08
Curley, J. & Bro., tape.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....		3 15
Jones, Chas., Estimate No. 2.....	Sewer, etc., Webster Ave., bet. 165th and 184th Streets.....		2,624 65
Kellogg, M. A., petty expenses.....	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....		12 86
McAllister, F. E., seeds.....	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs.....		16 75
Mason, F. H. D., petty expenses.....	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs.....	\$61 25	
	Zoological Dept.	11 08	
	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	48 39	
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McNab & Harlin Manufacturing Co., solder.....	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs.....		15 00
Mitchell, A. H. & Bro., hay.....	Zoological Dept.		174 23
Mitchell, A. H. & Bro., hay, bran, etc.	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs.....		146 38
Morgan, J. P., Treasurer, expenses Mu- seum Natural History.....	Maint. Museums..		1,615 25

New York Belting and Packing Co., gum packing.....	Harlem R. Bdgs..	\$23 65
Nesbit's Sons, John, Portland cement	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs	\$51 30
	Riverside Avenue.	5 70
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		57 00
Otis & Gorsline, spur pipe	Sewers and Drains.	55 03
Raynolds, C. T. & Co., vermillion.....	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs	16 80
Steers Brothers, stakes.....	Surveying, Laying- out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps	7 00
Schoonmaker, S. A. & Co., white lead..	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs	64 35
Toumey, John, gas-pipe	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs	11 05
Brewster & Co., wagon.....	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1884..	465 00
Dahlman, I. H., horse	Police, 1884.....	900 00
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		<u>\$7,187 38</u>

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Labor, Maintenance, Supplies, Construction and Repairs.	\$1,067 39
Zoological Department.....	232 76
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps.	89 50
Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	15 12
Street Improvements.	2,631 65
Maintenance 23d and 24th Wards.....	75 62
Riverside Avenue.....	16 41
Maintenance Museums.....	1,615 25
Harlem River Bridges.....	23 65
Sewers and Drains.....	55 03
Labor, Maintenance and Supplies, 1884.....	465 00
Police, 1884.....	900 00
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	<u>\$7,187 38</u>

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of seventy-one hundred and eighty-seven dollars and thirty-eight cents.

(Signed)

JESSE W. POWERS,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, March 11, 1885.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Barron, James S. & Co., sundries.....	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs.....	\$75 17	
	Harlem R. Bdgs..	5 83	
		<hr/>	\$81 00
Barker, William H., binding.....	Regulating, etc., Alexander Ave., from Southern Boulevard to N. 3d Avenue.....		7 00
Barker, William H., binding.....	Regulating Courtland Ave., from N. 3d Ave. to E. 156th St.....		7 00
Barker, William H., binding.....	Regulating Morris Ave., from 138th to 156th St.....		7 00
Heckscher, Richard, Jr., coal.....	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs.....	\$80 75	
	Zoological Dept..	42 50	
	Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps.....	4 25	
	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	4 25	
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Hodgman & Co., hip boots.....	Sewers and Drains.	\$22 47
McAllister, F. E., lawn rakes.....	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs... ..	24 00
McAllister, F. E., mower parts	Riverside Avenue.	46 08
Meyer, Albert, Assignee, robe.....	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	25 00
Metropolis Oil Co., astral oil.. ..	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	8 65
Mitchell, A. H. & Bro., hay and bran..	Zoological Dept..	235 69
Steers Brothers, spruce.....	Sewers and drains.	79 00
Schoonmaker, S. A. & Co., oil, etc....	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs.....	120 25
White, Chas. W., oak stakes.....	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	65 00
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Labor, Maintenance and Supplies.....	\$300 17
Harlem River Bridges.....	5 83
Zoological Department.....	278 19
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., 23d and 24th Wards	4 25
Surveys, Maps and Plans	94 25
Sewers and Drains.....	101 47
Riverside Avenue....	46 08
Maintenance 23d and 24th Wards	8 65
Street Improvements.....	21 00
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Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of eight hundred and fifty-nine dollars and eighty-nine cents.

(Signed)

JESSE W. POWERS,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, March 11, 1885.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Assessment lists.

Resolved, That the following-named assessment lists, for laying crosswalks across the roadway of Washington avenue at each of the intersections of East 166th, East 167th, East 168th, East 169th, East 172d, East 173d, East 175th streets, and across the road of each of the above-mentioned streets at its intersection with Washington avenue ; regulating and grading Willis avenue, and also setting curbstones, paving gutters, flagging sidewalks therein, between the Southern Boulevard and North 3d avenue ; regulating and grading, laying crosswalks, flagging sidewalks a space four feet wide, and setting curb and gutter stones in Depot place, between Sedgwick avenue and the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad ; flagging sidewalks a space four feet wide, and setting curb and gutter stones in Denman place, between Forest (Concord) and Union avenues ; sewer and appurtenances in Westchester avenue and 150th street, between Brook and Courtland avenues, with branches in North 3d avenue and Bergen avenue, between 149th street and Westchester avenue ; flagging sidewalks a space four feet wide and setting curb and gutter stones in Elton avenue, from its junction with Washington avenue to its junction with 3d avenue, and laying crosswalks in said avenue, and in each intersecting street within the aforesaid limits ; regulating and grading East 135th street, and also setting curbstones, flagging sidewalks, laying crosswalks and paving with trap-blocks the roadway therein from North 3d avenue to the Mott Haven canal ; regulating and grading East 134th street, and also setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide therein from Willis avenue to Brook avenue ; regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging the sidewalks four feet wide and laying crosswalks in Clifton street from the easterly curb-line of St. Ann's avenue to the westerly curb-line of Union avenue ; paving East 134th street from North 3d avenue to Alexander avenue ; regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging the sidewalks four feet wide and laying crosswalks in 146th street, between the easterly curb-line of North 3d avenue and the westerly curb-line of St. Ann's avenue ; and construct-

ing a sewer and appurtenances in 145th street, between Brook avenue and St. Ann's avenue; and also the statements of the amounts and costs of the works therein mentioned, be approved and signed by the Commissioners of the Department and transmitted to the Board of Assessors.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Monkey-house—Plans for.

Commissioner WALES, from the Committee consisting of Commissioners Powers and Wales, to whom was referred the report of the Architect and Director of the Menagerie in relation to proposed improvements in the accommodations for the zoological collection in the Central Park, made a verbal report thereon, and offered the following:

Resolved, That the Architect be directed to prepare plans and estimates for a new monkey-house in the Central Park and submit the same to the Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Flag-staff—Battery.

The Treasurer presented the following estimates for the erection of a new flag-pole at the Battery:

Walsh, Thos., \$900.
Thorburn & Co., \$795.
Ruthorn, J., & Sons, \$700.
Walsh, John F., \$645.
Manee, Peter, \$600.
McKenna, J. J., \$495.
Winant, Cornelius, \$490.

Commissioner WALES moved that the Treasurer be authorized to issue an order to Cornelius Winant to erect a new flag-pole at the Battery at an expense not to exceed the amount of his estimate.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Livery Stable Keepers' Association—Cabs with signs.

Messrs. Odell, Farley, Masterson and others, representing the N. Y. Livery Stable Keepers' Association, appeared before the Board and were heard in reference to vehicles with signs, etc., passing through the Park, asking that the ordinances respecting the same be enforced. The association was requested to reduce their grievances and request to writing and submit the same to the Board.

12th avenue—Bill to take lands for.

Messrs. J. A. Deering and Cyrus Clark appeared and were heard in relation to a proposed bill for the taking of lands lying between Riverside Park and 12th avenue, adjoining Riverside Park, for park purposes.

Commissioner BEEKMAN offered the following :

Resolved, That this Department approves of the general plan indicated in the proposed bill entitled "An Act to define and establish the boundaries and lines of Riverside Park and 12th avenue, between 79th and 129th streets in the City of New York," presented to this Board by Mr. Deering, and that the draft bill be submitted to the Counsel to the Corporation for examination by him.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Lawn tennis.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, it was

Resolved, That it be referred to Commissioner Beekman to examine and report to this Board the feasibility of enlarging the grounds for lawn tennis.

Barb wire fences to be removed.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, it was

Resolved, That the Superintendent of Parks be directed to remove forthwith all the barbed wire fences in the Central and City Parks.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Badge for Commissioner Beekman.

Resolved, That the Secretary is hereby authorized to purchase a badge for Commissioner Beekman.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers—3.

Cottage laborers—Pay of.

Commissioner WALES presented a communication from the Superintendent of Parks, giving a list of cottage laborers, with their location and rate of pay.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the pay of cottage laborers be fixed at \$1.50 per day, to date from the commencement of the next pay-roll.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

161st street, regulate, etc.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That 161st street, from 3d avenue to Cromwell avenue, be regulated and graded.

Laid over.

College avenue.—Opening.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be authorized and directed to initiate proceedings for acquiring title to College avenue, from 3d avenue at 143d street to 158th street at Railroad avenue, in the 23d Ward of the City of New York.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer to report.

Retaining wall, Franklin avenue.—To fill in.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Superintendent of the 23d and 24th Wards be directed to fill in the excavation behind the retaining-wall on the west side of Franklin avenue, between Spring place and 167th street, 23d Ward.

Also, to remove the boulders and level off the ground on the Park at the junction of Franklin and 3d avenues.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Harlem river bridges—Care of.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That the maintenance and care of the bridges over the Harlem river be transferred from the jurisdiction of

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the Superintendent of Parks to that of the Superintendent of the 23d and 24th Wards.

Laid over.

Stuyvesant Square fountain.

On motion of Commissioner POWERS, it was

Resolved, That the Treasurer be requested to procure estimates for altering the fountain-basin in Stuyvesant Park east, to correspond with the one in the Park west.

Folding gates, 3d avenue bridge.

On motion of Commissioner POWERS,

Resolved, That the Architect be directed to submit to this Board plans and specifications for folding iron gates with proper fastenings at the head of the stone steps leading to the river on the east and west sides of both the northerly and southerly ends of the Harlem bridge over the Harlem river at 3d avenue.

Sewers and drains, 23d and 24th Wards.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Whereas, The health of the inhabitants of the 23d and 24th Wards is largely dependent upon the drainage of said district, and

Whereas, The Constitutional amendment, as now in force and effect, prohibits for the present the further construction of sewers so necessary for the preservation of the public health ;

Resolved, As an evidence of a desire on the part of this Department to do all in its power to improve and care for the sanitary condition of the 23d and 24th Wards, that the Engineer of Construction and the Topographical Engineer be and they are hereby directed to report to this Board forthwith what suggestions they may be able to make whereby this Department, with the means at its present disposal, may construct temporary drains that will afford immediate relief in cases where in their judgment it may be necessary.

Laid over.

Sewers necessary to construct.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Engineer of Construction and the Topographical Engineer be directed to report to this Board a list

of the streets and avenues in the 23d and 24th Wards through which sewers should be built as a sanitary necessity, so soon as this Department is by law empowered so to do.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Sewer—165th street.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following, which were referred to the Engineer of Construction to report :

Resolved, That the Engineer of Construction be directed to prepare and submit to this Board plans and specifications for the construction of sewers in 165th street and in 166th street, between Third avenue and Washington avenue, in the 23d Ward.

Sewer—169th street.

Resolved, That the Engineer of Construction be directed to prepare and submit to this Board plans and specifications for the construction of a sewer and appurtenances in 169th street, between 3d avenue and Fulton avenue, and in Fulton avenue, from 169th street to summit north between 169th street and 170th street, and to summit between 169th and 168th streets.

Sewer—168th street.

Resolved, That the Engineer of Construction be directed to prepare and submit to this Board plans and specifications for the construction of a sewer and appurtenances in 168th street, between 3d avenue and Fulton avenue, and in Fulton avenue, from 168th street to summit north between 168th and 169th streets, and to summit south between 168th and 167th streets.

Morningside Park—Proposals.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Whereas, The lowest bid received by this Department on 11th instant for erecting granite steps, etc., at Morningside Park amounts to \$77,700, a sum in excess of the amount of money at the disposal of this Department for doing this work ;

Resolved, That all the bids received on 11th instant for furnishing labor and material and doing work on Morningside Park be and they are hereby rejected, and the Comptroller requested to return to each bidder the amount of money deposited with the bids.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said preamble and resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Morningside Park—Amended plans.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to insert notices in the *City Record* inviting proposals for erecting granite steps, platforms, etc., required at the four bays and two entrances on Morningside Park, in accordance with the amended plans as this day presented.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Proposal—Paving approaches to Madison avenue bridge.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the proposal of James W. O'Grady, amounting to \$11,103.50, for grading, paving, etc., the approaches to the Madison avenue bridge over Harlem river, received on 11th instant, be accepted as the lowest and most advantageous bid ; that the proposal be sent to the Comptroller for his approval of the sureties thereon, and when so approved that the President be authorized to enter into a contract with James W. O'Grady for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Civil Service—Reappointments.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That in accordance with Regulation XXXV. of the Civil Service Regulations, the following-named persons are hereby reappointed to the positions set opposite their names, respectively, subject to the further pleasure of this Board :

Samuel Collins, Parkkeeper.

Patrick J. Flynn, Parkkeeper.

J. J. McDonald, Parkkeeper.

Robert Danfield, Jr., Inspector.

R. H. Crombie, Inspector.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Railroad avenue—Width of.

Commissioner WALES called the attention of the Board to the width of the roadway and sidewalks on Boston road, and stated that the property-owners complain that the roadway will be too narrow when graded, and recommending that the width of the sidewalks be reduced.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer to report.

Conservatory—Plans for.

Commissioner POWERS, to whom was referred the subject of procuring plans for the improvement of the old Conservatory Building, presented a plan as prepared by the Architect.

Commissioner WALES moved that said plans be approved, and that the Architect prepare contract and specification, and

when printed and approved by the Counsel to the Corporation as to form, that the Secretary insert notices in the *City Record* inviting proposals for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Executive Session.

On motion, at 12.20 P. M., the Board went into Executive Session.

Meyer, F. L.—Increase of pay.

Communications were received from F. L. Meyer, asking for an increase of compensation.

Referred to the Topographical Engineer for report.

Dalrymple—Increase of pay.

From F. W. Dalrymple, asking for increase of compensation.

Filed.

Engineer of Construction.

From the Engineer of Construction :

Force employed.

1. Showing the force employed under him, and what will be required during the present year.

Laid over.

Laborers for drainage.

2. Recommending an increase of the force of laborers employed on drainage.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the employment of eight laborers for work on drainage of Central Park is hereby authorized.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

McGuire, Thomas—Resignation.

From Thomas McGuire, resigning his position as Park-keeper.

Commissioner WALES stated that he had examined the charge against McGuire and was prepared to recommend that said charge be dismissed, and moved that said resignation be accepted.

Adopted.

Dunn, N. G.—Recommending Dan'l Bertholf.

From N. Gano Dunn, recommending Daniel Bertholf for appointment as Bridge Tender at McComb's Dam Bridge.

Filed.

Keech, E. J.—To appoint.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That Edward J. Keech be and he is hereby appointed Bridge Tender at McComb's Dam Bridge, in the place of Henry Bertholf, deceased.

Bridge Tender, McComb's Dam Bridge.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered as a substitute :

Resolved, That the subject of the appointment of Bridge Tender at McComb's Dam Bridge be deferred until the next meeting of the Board, and that the employment of Daniel Bertholf be continued until that time.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Beekman—3.

No—Commissioner Powers—1.

Dodge, F. S.—Resignation.

The PRESIDENT presented the resignation of F. S. Dodge, Assistant Engineer.

Accepted.

Mason, F. H. D.—Transferred.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That F. H. D. Mason, Skilled Laborer, be transferred for duty under the Secretary as Clerk, at an annual salary of \$1,200, subject to the approval of the Civil Service Commission.

Laid over.

Woolsen, G. C.—Appointed.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That George C. Woolsen be and he is hereby appointed Superintending Gardener, at a compensation of \$6 per day, subject to the approval of the Civil Service Commissioners.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Beekman—3.

No—Commissioner Powers—1.

Parkkeepers—Trials.

Commissioner WALES, to whom was referred the subject of investigating charges against members of the Police force of the Department, made a verbal report and recommended as follows :

Dougherty, E. J.

1st. That Parkkeeper Edward J. Dougherty, charged with being off post and with violation of rules, be dismissed from the force for general inefficiency and continual neglect of duty.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said recommendation, and it was determined in the

affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Lyons, John.

2d. That Parkkeeper John Lyons, charged with violation of rules, be dismissed from the force for continued neglect of duty.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said recommendation, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Heilferty, David.

3d. That Parkkeeper David Heilferty, charged with intoxication and with sleeping on post, and insubordination, be restored to duty, with loss of pay during his suspension.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said recommendation, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Cremins, Denis.

4th. That Parkkeeper Denis Cremins, charged with intoxication, be restored to duty, with loss of pay during his suspension.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said recommendation, and it was determined in the

affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Thompson, Thos. F.

5th. That Parkkeeper Thomas F. Thompson, charged with being off post and with neglect of duty, be fined two days' pay.

6th. That the following Parkkeepers be fined one day's pay each :

McGuire, John.

John McGuire, for absence without leave.

Clark, J. J.

James J. Clark, for neglect of duty.

Judson, T. A.

Thaddeus A. Judson, for absence without leave.

Meehan, P.

Patrick Meehan, for absence without leave.

Larkin, J.

John Larkin, for being off post.

McDonald, J. J.

John J. McDonald, for neglect of duty.

7th. That the charges against the following Parkkeepers be dismissed :

McGuire, Thomas.

Thomas McGuire, charged with absence without leave.

Flynn, J. F.

James F. Flynn, charged with absence without leave.

Tracy, W. D.

Wm. D. Tracy, charged with absence from roll-call.

Hirsch, A.

Arthur Hirsch, charged with being off post.

8th. That the charges against the following Parkkeepers be dismissed with a reprimand :

Farrell, H.

Henry Farrell, charged with conduct unbecoming an officer and violation of rules.

O'Neil, J.

John O'Neil, charged with insubordination.

Grefe, Wm.

9th. That the charge of absence without leave against Parkkeeper William Grefe be dismissed, and that he be cautioned against a repetition of the offense.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said recommendations, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

High Bridge Hotel—Repairs.

A communication was received from Chas. Schwarz, lessee of the High Bridge Park Hotel, calling attention to the necessity of repairs to the building, and submitting an estimate for making such repairs with a proposition that the work be done and paid for by him out of his license fee due or to grow due to the Department.

Commissioner WALES moved that the subject of repairs to the building in High Bridge Park be referred to the President, with power.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Boylan, P. J.—Appointed.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That Peter J. Boylan be and he is hereby appointed as Cottage laborer, at \$1.50 per day.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Entrance Fifth avenue and Sixtieth street.

Commissioner WALES presented for the consideration of the Board a plan as prepared by his direction by the Architect for the improvement of the entrance to the Central Park from Fifth avenue opposite Sixtieth street.

Laid over.

Dillon, J. E., }
O'Keefe, John. } Appointed Parkkeepers.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That James E. Dillon and John O'Keefe be and they are hereby appointed Parkkeepers on the force of the Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Beekman—3.

J. L. Mott Iron Works.—Bill of.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a bill of the J. L. Mott Iron Works, amounting to \$945, for furnaces and heating apparatus put in the new Refreshment Building in Central Park.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That the bill of the J. L. Mott Iron Works for heating apparatus as this day presented, be audited and ap-

proved at \$945; and transmitted to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Transfer.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to transfer the sum of \$250 from the unexpended balance of the appropriation made for "Construction Central Park" for the year 1884, for which it is not required, to the appropriation made for Manhattan Square for the same year, which is insufficient; also, to transfer from the unexpended balances of the appropriations made for the year 1884, viz.:

Music, Central and City Parks	\$221 00
Walks, Central and City Parks	117 32
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Total	\$338 32
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—for which it is not required, to the appropriation made for Labor, Maintenance and Supplies, 1884, which is insufficient.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Dooley, J. C.—Appointed.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That J. C. Dooley be and he is hereby appointed a laborer on the work of drainage.

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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

On motion, at 1.50 P. M., the Executive Session arose, and the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 1885.

REGULAR MEETING—10 A. M.

Present—Commissioner CRIMMINS, President.

“ WALES.
“ POWERS.
“ BEEKMAN.

Proposals.

At the hour of ten o'clock, Mr. E. G. Marsh, the representative of the Comptroller, being present, and the meeting open to the public, the President, in the presence of the representative of the Comptroller and such of the persons making proposals as were present, opened the estimate-box and publicly opened and read all the estimates or proposals which had been received in accordance with advertisements duly published in the *City Record*, for the following works :

No. 1. For furnishing and delivering, where required, broken trap-rock stone and trap-rock screenings, along certain roads, avenues and streets in the 23d and 24th Wards, in the City of New York.

No. 2. For furnishing and delivering screened Roa Hook gravel, where required, on the Central Park and Riverside avenue, in the City of New York.

No. 3. For the erection of a wall on the easterly side of 8th avenue, between 77th and 81st streets, City of New York.

Table of Bids for Furnishing and Delivering, where required, Broken Trap-rock Stone and Trap-rock Screenings along Certain Roads, Avenues and Streets in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, in the City of New York.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	NAME OF BIDDER.									
			1		2		3		4		5	
			ALEX. J. HOWELL.		JOHN F. DAWSON.		CHAS. A. BROWN & JOHN FLEMING.		DAN'L J. MCGRORY.		JOHN A. BOUKER.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	2½-inch broken trap-rock stone	6,200 cubic yards.	\$2 80	\$17,360 00	\$2 45½	\$15,221 00	\$2 62½	\$16,275 00	\$2 84	\$17,608 00	\$2 66	\$16,492 00
2	1½-inch broken trap-rock stone	2,025 "	2 80	5,670 00	2 45½	4,971 37½	2 62½	5,315 62½	2 69	5,447 25	2 66	5,386 50
3	Trap-rock screenings...	3,800 "	2 50	9,500 00	2 45½	9,329 00	2 62½	9,975 00	2 48	9,424 00	2 60	9,880 00
	Totals.....	.....	.....	\$32,530 00	.....	\$29,521 37½	.....	\$31,565 62½	.....	\$32,479 25	.....	\$31,758 50

Table of Bids for Furnishing and Delivering Screened Roa Hook Gravel where required on the Central Park and Riverside Avenue, in the City of New York.

Number of Items.	ITEMS OF WORK.	QUANTITIES.	NAME OF BIDDER.			
			1		2	
			JOHN A. BOUKER.		GEO. F. DOAK.	
			Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
1	Double-screened gravel, for roads and drives.....	7,000 cubic yds.	\$2 47	\$17,290 00	\$2 37	\$16,590 00
2	Double-screened gravel, prepared for tar walks.....	2,000 "	2 47	4,940 00	2 37	4,740 00
	Totals.....	.....	.....	\$22,230 00	.....	\$21,330 00

TABLE OF BIDS.

For the erection of a wall on the easterly side of Eighth avenue, between 77th and 81st streets, City of New York.

No.	Name of Bidder.	Amount.
1	Bernard Mahon.....	\$6,700 00
2	William Kidney and Charles Giblin.....	6,983 00
3	Michael McGrath.....	7,480 00
4	Francis H. Smith.....	8,431 00
5	John B. Devlin.....	8,300 00
6	John Pierce (informal).....	6,890 00
7	John Cox & Co.....	10,319 00

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following communications were received :

Board of Aldermen—Wootton Claim.

From the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen, transmitting a copy of a resolution adopted by said Board and approved by the Mayor, ratifying the contract made by this Department with E. H. Wootton, for laying rock asphalt pavement on the sidewalk surrounding the triangle at 65th street and the Boulevard.

Ordered filed.

Corporation Counsel—12th avenue.

From the Counsel to the Corporation, returning the draft bill sent to him for examination by this Department for defining and establishing the boundaries and lines of Riverside Park and 12th avenue, between 79th and 129th streets, and stating that in his opinion it is so framed as to accomplish the purpose intended so far as such purpose is shown on a plan exhibited to him by Mr. Deering.

Ordered filed.

Dodge Statue—Report on.

From the Presidents of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the National Academy of Design, and the New York Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, reporting favorably upon the artistic merits of the statue of William E. Dodge, proposed to be erected on the triangle at Broadway and 35th street.

Commissioner WALES moved that the erection of the statue of William E. Dodge, upon the site heretofore designated for the same, be authorized to be proceeded with, and that the whole subject of its erection and unveiling be referred to Commissioner Beekman, with power.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Smith, Fleming—Planting Riverside.

From Fleming Smith, asking that the ground on Riverside Park at 112th street be leveled and put in proper condition to enable him to plant trees at that point during the present season.

Ordered filed.

Department of Health—Premises 36 Union Square.

From the Secretary of the Health Department, inclosing a copy of a report upon the sanitary condition of the premises 36 Union Square.

Ordered filed.

Kyle, Wm.—Boats on Harlem Meer.

From William Kyle, applying for a renewal of the privilege of letting boats on the Harlem Meer, in Central Park.

Referred to the Treasurer to report.

Rice, A. F.—For employment.

From Anthony F. Rice, applying for employment as Axeman.

Ordered filed.

Boyle, Wm.—For employment.

From William Boyle, applying for employment as Axeman.

Ordered filed.

Durnen, Thos.—For employment.

From Thomas Durnen, applying for employment as blacksmith's helper.

Ordered filed.

Natural History, Museum—Annual report.

From the President of the American Museum of Natural History, submitting a copy of the annual report of the Trustees of said museum.

Ordered filed.

Southwick, E. B.—Report.

From E. B. Southwick, submitting a report on the noxious insects of the Central Park, and of the work done under his direction during the year 1884; also a report on the trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants in Central Park.

Laid over.

Superintending Gardener—Report.

From the Superintending Gardener, reporting upon the gardening work of the Department, and making recommendations and suggestions relative to the same.

Plants—Fountain basins.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That the fountain basin corner Broadway and Chambers street be filled with fresh clean soil, and that basin,

as well as the one between the old and new Court-house, be planted with suitable flowers and variegated leaf plants in the early spring.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Planting.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Superintendent of Parks be directed to make arrangements for planting all available spots on the City and Central Parks with low flowering and variegated leaf plants of bright and attractive colors, instead of high shrubs and grasses, as heretofore.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

President carry out Superintending Gardener's report.

Commissioner BEEKMAN moved that the communication from the Superintending Gardener be referred to the President, with power, for such action as he may deem proper for carrying out the recommendations contained therein.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Topographical Engineer.

From the Topographical Engineer :

College avenue.

1st. Reporting relative to the matter of acquiring title to College avenue, from North 3d avenue and East 143d street to East 158th street at Railroad avenue, East, and recommending that proceedings be initiated to that end, as the interest of the public would seem to demand the opening of that avenue.

Laid over.

Boston road.

2d. Reporting relative to the proposed widening of the roadway of Boston road by reducing the width of the sidewalks.

Ordered filed.

Melrose avenue.

3d. Reporting upon the petition of Christoph Pesenecker, C. Diedrich and others for the opening of Melrose avenue, stating that the opening of said avenue is a matter of great importance, as it forms the main line of drainage of that portion of Melrose between East 156th and 162d streets, and being the connecting link between Webster and Willis avenues its width should be established at 100 feet before being opened, and calling attention to the plan submitted by him January 21, 1885, for the approval of the Board for the widening of Melrose avenue from North 3d avenue to East 161st street.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That under and by virtue of the powers conferred on the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York by chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, they do hereby lay out, classify and establish a certain avenue of the width, extent, direction, grade and class shown on a map or plan entitled "Plan and profile showing Melrose avenue from North 3d avenue to East 165d street in the 23d Ward of the City of New York, dated New York, January 19,

1885, and signed S. F. Chalfin, Topographical Engineer, D. P. P., the same being such as the said Commissioners, or a majority of them, deem most conducive to the public good, and that the President be and he is hereby designated and directed to certify and file three similar copies of said plan, in accordance with provisions of the law above cited.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Works in progress.

4th. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Washington avenue—Grade.

5th. Returning the map, plan and profile showing the proposed change of grade in Washington avenue, between 166th and 168th streets, the same having been on exhibition for ten days without any objections having been made to the proposed change.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That under and by virtue of the powers conferred on the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York by chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, they do hereby alter and establish the grades of that portion of Washington avenue lying between East 165th and East 168th streets, as shown on a map or plan entitled "Plan and profile showing Washington avenue from East 165th street to East 168th street in the 23d Ward of the City of New York," dated New York, February 28, 1885, and signed S. F. Chalfin, Topographical Engineer, D. P. P., and M. A. Kellogg, Engineer of Construction, the same being such as said Commissioners, or a majority of them, deem most conducive to the public good, and that the President be and he is hereby designated and directed to have prepared and to certify and

file three similar plans or profiles of the same, in pursuance of the provisions of the law above cited.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Engineer of Construction.

From the Engineer of Construction :

Regulating, etc., 165th street.

1st. Reporting upon a communication from James H. Perkins, Contractor for regulating, grading etc., 165th street, from Boston road to Union avenue, asking to be allowed to proceed with the final repairs of said street, and stating that the work cannot be proceeded with until the frost is out of the ground, as its condition cannot be ascertained until the ground has thoroughly settled.

Ordered filed.

Sewers to be constructed—165th to 169th street.

2d. Reporting, in compliance with an order of the Board, in relation to the proposed construction of sewers in the vicinity of 165th to 169th street, Washington, North 3d and Fulton avenues; stating that it would be impracticable to construct the sewers in the manner as proposed, a portion of the sewers named being now under contract, while other portions, by reason of the grade of the streets, have outlets in different systems, and that it would be advisable to extend the 168th and 169th street sewers to and in Franklin avenue so as to fully complete each line of sewers as laid out, and submitting a sketch showing each system of sewers as laid out, with the recommendation that plans and specifications be prepared for completing each system as shown thereon.

Commissioner POWERS moved that the recommendation of the Engineer of Construction be approved, and that he be directed to prepare and submit plans and specifications for constructing the sewers in accordance therewith.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Regulating, etc., Boston road, Tremont street.

3d. Submitting plans and specifications for regulating, grading, etc., Boston road, from Jefferson street to Locust avenue, and Tremont street, from Boston road to Bronx river.

Commissioner POWERS moved that said plans and specifications be approved.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Security on contracts.

4th. Reporting in relation to moneys retained as security for repairs on the following named works :

Regulating, etc., Clifton street.

Regulating, etc., 146th street.

Paving Lincoln avenue.

Crosswalks in Morris avenue.

Ordered filed.

Sewers to be constructed.

From the Engineer of Construction and Topographical Engineer, reporting a list of the streets and avenues in the 23d and 24th Wards for which sewers should be built as a sanitary necessity.

Laid over.

Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards.

From the Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards :

Works in progress.

1st. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Read scraper.

2d. Recommending the purchase of a road scraper and a large harrow at an expense of \$175.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the matter be referred to the Treasurer, with power.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Health Department—23d Ward.

3d. Reporting upon complaints from the Health Department in relation to the sanitary condition of 156th and other streets in the 23d Ward.

Referred to the President.

Audit.

Commissioner POWERS, from the Auditing Committee, presented the following reports :

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Mason, F. H. D., petty expenses	Labor, Maintenance, Supplies, Construction and Repairs..	\$101 95
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Amounting to the sum of one hundred and one dollars and ninety-five cents.

(Signed.)

JESSE W. POWERS,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, April 1, 1885.

The above-mentioned bill having been read and passed on, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve it, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit it to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Allen, O'Grady & Co., Estimate No. 6..	Sewer, Washington Ave., bet. Brook Ave. and 169th Street	\$2,829 75
Arnold, David P., meat	Zoological Dept..	252 00
Brandis, F. E., drawing paper, etc . . .	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	12 64
Barron, Jas. S. & Co., brooms, dusters, etc	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs	\$55 44
	Zoological Dept.	2 00
		57 44

Bulger, James, Jr., pump, etc	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs		\$50 00
Chalfin, S. F., petty expenses.	Surveys, Maps and Plans	\$22 70	
	Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps	66 95	
		<hr/>	89 65
Canda & Kane, Portland cement.	Riverside Avenue.		8 55
Central Gas-light Co., gas.	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards, 1884		4 45
Central Gas-light Co., gas	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.		2 20
Christensen, H. B., maps	Surveys, Maps and Plans		2 50
Coffin, Paul C., saw, rope, etc.	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.		27 81
Coffin, Paul C., sundries.	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs	\$95 41	
	Riverside Avenue.	3 90	
		<hr/>	99 31
Coffin, Paul C., shovels.	Sewers & Drains, 23d and 24th Wards.		17 24
Coffin, Paul C., emery cloth, etc	Harlem R. Bdgs.		11 50
Connolly, John E., salt, corn, etc.	Zoological Dept.		292 68
Connolly, John E., oats, corn, etc	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs		546 08
Consolidated Gas Co., gas	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs		230 10
De Grauw, Aymar & Co., oakum.	Harlem R. Bdgs.		3 88
Denning, E. J. & Co., duck, braid, etc.	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs	\$6 50	
	Police	1 00	
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Egan, K. & Co., waste.	Harlem R. Bdgs.		10 90
Hammill & Gillespie, modeling clay	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs		1 00
Macy's, Josiah, Sons, candles.	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs		12 60

McAllister, F. E., cedar poles, etc.....	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs.....	\$448 91
McKesson & Robbins, liniment, etc ...	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs.....	5 88
McGrath, Denis, security.....	Paving, etc., Lin- coln Ave., from Southern Boule- vard to N. 3d Avenue.....	632 50
Moffat, David & Co., leather.....	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs.....	13 36
Moran, Albert E., security.....	Regulating, etc., 146th St., from east curb-line 3d Avenue to west curb-line St. Ann's Avenue..	469 36
Moran, Dennis W., security.....	Crosswalks, Morris Ave., bet. N. 3d and R. R. Aves.	205 60
Murray, B. C., security.....	Regulating. etc., Clifton St., from east curb-line St. Ann's Avenue to west curb-line Union Ave.....	582 90
Murray, B. C., payment on acceptance..	Sewer, etc., 139th St., from sum- mit bet. Willis and Alexander Aves. to Brook Avenue.....	1,709 88
The N. Y. Mutual Gas-light Co., gas..	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs.....	35 10
O'Brien, M., milk.....	Zoological Dept...	13 44
Otis & Gorsline, vitrified pipe.....	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs.....	81 60
Otis & Gorsline, vitrified pipe.....	Riverside Avenue.	27 00
Pridgeon's Hamilton Bakery, bread....	Zoological Dept...	63 00
Pope & Klie, vegetables.....	Zoological Dept..	40 90
Porter's, Wm., Sons, chimneys.....	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs.....	5 50

Raynolds, C. T. & Co., white lead	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs	\$75 30
Raynolds, C. T. & Co., white lead, etc.	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	13 93
Reiche, Chas. & Bro., bird food	Zoological Dept.	12 00
Robitzek, G. & Bros., coal	Surveys, Maps and Plans	18 75
Robitzek, G. & Bros., coal	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs	20 00
Robitzek, G. & Bros., coal	Harlem R. Bldgs.	105 00
Ruddiman, W., shades	Surveys, Maps and Plans	7 00
Steers Bros., lumber	Bridges and Approaches over Mott Haven Canal, at 138th St.	199 62
Steers Bros., lumber	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	122 22
Seaman, W. L., marline	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs	4 05
Seth Thomas Clock Co., clock	Surveys, Maps and Plans	9 00
Smith, Clifford E., wagon materials	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs	71 46
Schoolfield, R. J., stencil plates	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards	8 00
Schoonmaker, S. A. & Co., neatsfoot oil	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs	2 50
Scott, D., fish	Zoological Dept.	9 80
Tatham & Bros., lead pipe	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs	34 67
White, Chas. W., pine	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs	955 00
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RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance, Supplies, Construction and Repairs.	\$2,750 46
Zoological Department.....	685 82
Maintenance 23d and 24th Wards.....	186 80
Street Improvements.....	6,429 99
Harlem River Bridges.....	131 28
Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	59 95
Police.....	1 00
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps..	66 95
Riverside Avenue.....	39 45
Sewers and Drains.....	17 24
Bridges and Approaches over Mott Haven Canal, at 138th Street.....	199 62
Maintenance 23d and 24th Wards, 1884.....	4 45
	\$10,573 01

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of ten thousand five hundred and seventy-three dollars and one cent.

(Signed.)

JESSE W. POWERS,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, April 1, 1885.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Fountain basin—Stuyvesant Square.

The Treasurer, who was requested to procure estimates for altering the fountain basin in Stuyvesant Square, east, to correspond with the one in the Square, west, made a verbal report in reference to the same, and recommended that an order be issued to D. C. Weeks & Son for doing the work in the same manner and at the same price as the work done by him on the fountain in the west Square.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved the matter be referred to the Treasurer, with power.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Spuyten Duyvil Parkway.

Commissioner BEEKMAN, to whom was referred the subject of a communication from the Engineer of Construction calling attention to the necessity for changing the line and grade of the Spuyten Duyvil Parkway, made a verbal report, stating that he had conferred with the Engineer of the Department, as well as the property-owners interested in the matter, and found upon examining the map showing the Parkway that the present location of the depot of the N. Y. C. & H. R. R. R. does not interfere with the Parkway as now opened according to law, and that no further action was necessary in the matter.

On motion, said report was accepted.

Barry, David—Appointed Bridge Tender.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That David Barry be and he hereby is appointed Bridge Tender on McComb's Dam Bridge, in place of Henry Bertholf, deceased.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Roller skate building.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Superintendent of Parks be directed to report to this Board his opinion as to the best location for a roller skate building near 59th street in Central Park.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the negative, a majority of all of the members of the Board not voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioner Powers—1.

Noes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Beekman—3.

Regulating, etc.—161st street.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Engineer of Construction be directed to prepare and submit to this Board plans and specifications for regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide, in 161st street, between North 3d and Gerard avenues.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Funds to carry on works.

Commissioner BEEKMAN offered the following :

Whereas, The construction of all work by this Department for which assessments may be laid has been arrested by the inability of the City to supply the necessary funds ; and

Whereas, There exists an immediate and pressing necessity for the construction of sewers and drains and the opening and working of streets and roads in the 23d and 24th Wards of the city ;

Resolved, That the President of the Department be requested to communicate with the Mayor and the Counsel to the Corporation upon the subject, with a view to obtaining

such additional legislation as may afford relief in the premises, either by authorizing the imposition of assessments for public improvements in advance of the work being let, or in such other form as may be deemed adequate to the object in view.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said preamble and resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Quarterly report.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, it was

Resolved, That the President be authorized to prepare and transmit to the Mayor the report of the Department for the quarter ending March 31, 1885.

Entrance Central Park, 5th avenue and 60th street.

Commissioner WALES called up the plan presented by him, and laid over on 18th ultimo, for the improvement of the entrance to the Central Park from 5th avenue, opposite 60th street.

Debate was had thereon, when, on motion, the further consideration of the matter was laid over.

Boundaries of new parks.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That the Board of Commissioners governing the Department of Public Parks deem it their duty to place on record their protest against the establishment and perpetuation of the boundaries described in chapter 522 of the Laws of 1884 as the boundaries of public parks and parkways, for the reason that such boundaries are not in accord with the natural topographical features adapted to the limits of park areas, nor are they in harmony with the plans for the laying-out of streets within the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards which have been adopted and established by the Department under authority of the Legislature after twelve years of thorough scientific surveys and studies of the

topography of the territory, its adaptability for future improvement and the probable character of its occupancy.

The points to which specific objection is made, are :

(1.) The location of the northern boundary of Van Cortlandt Park, directly on the northern boundary of New York City, and running across lofty hills and along steep hill-sides in a direct line.

(2.) The location of the southern boundary of Van Cortlandt Park, running across irregular ground in a straight line diagonal to the direction of the established avenues of travel.

(3.) The location of the boundaries of the Mosholu Parkway, which are made 600 feet apart parallel to a parkway from 100 to 300 feet wide, laid out to run through a natural valley which is not adapted to a wider street, and the whole aim and effect of which, together with its intersecting streets, is destroyed by its indiscriminate widening.

(4.) The boundaries of the Bronx Park, as including a tract not suitable for park area, and now occupied by buildings adjoining the lands of St. John's College, and as interfering with two main avenues of communication—the Edgewater road and Prospect avenue.

(5.) The boundaries of the Crotona Parkway, as unsuitable to their purpose and unnecessary.

(6.) The boundaries of Crotona Park on all sides, as not conforming to the lines of any streets, roads, or avenues, past present, or prospective, or possible to be advantageously constructed, and as seriously interfering with the carefully designed system of through avenues of communication in every direction for one of the most important districts of the future city.

(7.) The southerly boundary of St. Mary's Park, as not conforming to the topography nor the adopted plans of streets.

(8.) The westerly boundary of Claremont Park, as interfering with the principal avenue through that district, and the

easterly boundary of the same park, as not embracing a steep hill-side unsuitable for other occupation.

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to transmit a copy of these resolutions to his Honor the Mayor, with the request that he cause them to be communicated to the Legislature as the protest of this, a regularly constituted Department of the Government of the City of New York, against the mutilation of comprehensive plans of laying out a large city, devised after many years of study and a large expenditure of money, and that he request the Legislature to abrogate or amend the law in such manner that the boundaries of any new parks which may be authorized shall conform to the topography of the country and the lines of established streets.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolutions, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the resolutions as offered by Commissioner Wales, and the reasons as given by him in support of the resolutions, be printed as a document of this Board.

(See Document No. 98.)

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Contracts awarded.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That contracts for which proposals have been this day received be awarded, as follows :

- No. 1. For furnishing and delivering, where required, broken trap-rock stone and trap-rock screenings, along certain roads, avenues and streets in the 23d and 24th Wards, in the City of New York, to John F. Dawson, at \$2.45½ per cubic yard.
- No. 2. For furnishing and delivering screened Roa Hook gravel, where required, on the Central Park and Riverside avenue, in the City of New York, to George F. Doak, at \$2.37 per cubic yard.
- No. 3. For the erection of a wall on the easterly side of 8th avenue, between 77th and 81st streets, in the City of New York, to Bernard Mahon, at \$6,700.

—they being the lowest bidders for said works; that the proposals be sent to the Comptroller for his approval of the sureties thereon, and when so approved that the President be authorized to enter into contracts with said parties for doing the several works

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Senate Bill No. 270—Police.

Commissioner BEEKMAN offered the following :

Resolved, That this Board disapproves of Senate Bill No. 270, amending the provisions of the Consolidation Act relating to Parkkeepers, and asks that it be not enacted. The Board is unanimously of opinion that the act if passed would be highly injurious to the interests of the public and prejudicial to the force which, under the present system, is daily increasing in efficiency.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Lichte & Brother—Soda-water stand.

From Lichte & Brother, applying for permission to place and maintain a soda-water stand in Tompkins Square.

Denied.

Executive Session.

On motion, at 11.45 o'clock, the Board went into Executive Session.

Brook avenue—Grade of.

A petition was received from W. Stebbins Smith, Henry McGough, and others, protesting against the proposed change of the grade of Brook avenue, between North 3d avenue and 165th street, as shown on the map exhibited at the office of the Topographical Engineer, and asking that the grades of Brook and Washington avenues and intersecting streets be so altered and modified as to be made to conform to the Commissioners' map under Act of 1868.

Ordered filed.

156th street—Grade of.

From Julius Rauter, John Audley, and others, asking that the work of regulating and grading East 156th street, between College and Railroad avenues, be suspended until such time as the grade of said street shall have been amended and changed, and a permanent grade established.

Ordered filed.

Barry, Michael—For appointment.

From S. F. Knapp, Lawrence Kip, and others, recommending the appointment of Michael Barry as Bridge Tender at McComb's Dam Bridge.

Ordered filed.

Topographical Engineer.

From the Topographical Engineer, recommending that D. J. Shelly, Axeman, be dropped from the force for continual

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absence without leave or valid excuse ; also recommending the appointment of a Draughtsman and Computer in place of F. S. Dodge, resigned, and the appointment of two Axemen, whose services are required.

Shelly, D. J.—Discharged.

On motion of Commissioner WALES, D. J. Shelly was dismissed from the employ of the Department.

Clare, John—Appointed.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That John Clare be and he is hereby appointed an Axeman, for duty under the Topographical Engineer, at \$2 per diem.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Smith, John—Appointed.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That John Smith be and he is hereby appointed an Axeman, for duty under the Topographical Engineer, at \$2 per diem.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Meyer, F. L.—Salary fixed.

From the Topographical Engineer, reporting upon the application of F. L. Meyer, Computer, for an increase of compensation, and recommending that his salary be fixed at \$900 per annum.

Commissioner WALES moved that the salary of F. L. Meyer, Computer, be fixed at \$900 per annum from this date.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Superintendent of Parks—Protection.

From the Superintendent of Parks, calling attention to the necessity for a better surveillance between the 72d street entrances from 5th to 8th avenue, in Central Park.

Referred to the Captain of Police to report.

Superintendent of Parks—Work to be done.

From the Superintendent of Parks, reporting a summary of the different works requiring attention during the present year independent of the general work of maintenance, and recommending an increase of the working force.

Appointments authorized.

Barry, Wm.
Huxley, Wm.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the employment of
32 laborers,
4 carpenters,
4 masons,
1 wheelwright,

—be and the same is hereby authorized for work on the parks ; that William Barry be appointed a skilled laborer at \$2.50 per day, and that Wm. Huxley be appointed a laborer at \$1.76 per day.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

President—Carry out recommendations.

Commissioner WALES moved that the general recommendations contained in the communication from the Superintendent of Parks be approved, and that the matter be referred to the President to carry out the same.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Old tools, etc.—To be sold at auction.

The Secretary presented a list, prepared by the Property Clerk, of old tools, materials, horses, etc., to be disposed of by the Department.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the Secretary be authorized to make the necessary arrangements for and carry out the sale of old materials, horses, etc., at public auction on the Central Park.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Programmes.

The Secretary presented proposals for the privilege of publishing and distributing programmes for the Park concerts to be given during the coming season, as follows :

Wm. S. Cooper, \$10 per concert.

Scott & Raynor, \$20 per week.

On motion, the Secretary was authorized to make arrangements with Scott & Raynor for the publication and distribution of such programmes.

Music.

In accordance with an order of the Board, the Secretary made a verbal report on the subject of music for Park concerts during the coming season.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the Secretary be authorized to make arrangements with C. A. Cappa for furnishing music for concerts in the Central Park during the coming season.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Bath at Battery.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Whereas, The owner of the bath at the Battery, W. A. Hall, is desirous of making large expenditure on his bath in order to add to its attraction ;

Resolved, That the license granted to W. A. Hall by this Board, January 7, 1885, be rescinded, and that a license be granted to the said W. A. Hall for the privilege of mooring his bath at the Battery during the seasons of 1885 and 1886, he agreeing to pay \$1,200 per season, and that the President be authorized to sign a license for said privilege.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Hawkins, J. J.—Appointed.

Commissioner WALES offered the following :

Resolved, That John J. Hawkins be and he is hereby appointed a steam engineer at \$3 per day, for duty on the steam road roller in the 23d and 24th Wards.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Schryver, Lettie. assigned.
Bryden, Emeline, discharged.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That Lettie Schryver be assigned to duty as female attendant in place of Emeline Bryden, who is hereby removed.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

St. John, P. W.—Pay fixed.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the pay of Assistant Foreman P. W. St. John be and the same is hereby fixed at \$3.50 per day from this date.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Bernard, P. A.—Claremont.

From P. A. Bernard, stating his intention to occupy the premises at Claremont on or before May 1st, next, under the license granted him by this Department, and calling attention to the necessity for erecting carriage-sheds and making certain improvements to the hotel building.

On motion of Commissioner BEEKMAN, the subject of making improvements in the building at Claremont was referred to Commissioner Powers to report upon.

Sheds for Claremont.

The Architect was directed to prepare and submit plans for carriage-sheds to be erected in connection with the Claremont building.

Partitions for Arsenal.

Commissioner WALES moved that the matter of changing the plan and partitions in the Arsenal building be referred to the President, with power.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Mason, F. H. D.—Appointed.

Commissioner WALES called up the following resolution, offered by him and laid over on 18th ultimo, and moved its adoption :

Resolved, That F. H. D. Mason, Skilled Laborer, be transferred for duty under the Secretary as Clerk, at an annual salary of \$1,200, subject to the approval of the Civil Service Commission.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Shannon, J. M.—Appointed.

Commissioner BEEKMAN offered the following :

Resolved, That James M. Shannon be and he is hereby appointed a Parkkeeper on the force of the Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Hackett, Thos.—Appointed.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That Thomas Hackett be and he is hereby appointed a cottage laborer.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Newland, Wm.—Appointed.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That William Newland be and he is hereby appointed a cottage laborer.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

Appointments.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the employment of
One foreman of masons,
Eight masons,
Six rockmen,
Two laborers,
One double team,

—be and the same is hereby authorized for construction work on transverse roads.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Wales, Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—4.

On motion, at 1.05 p. m., the Executive Session arose, and the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

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BOARD

OF THE

Department of Public Parks.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 1885.

Commissioner WALES presented for the consideration of the Board resolutions protesting against the mutilation of the plans of this Department for the laying out of the 23d and 24th Wards by the prescribed boundaries of the proposed new parks, and stated his views in relation to the subject.

Ordered, That the resolutions as offered by Commissioner Wales, and the views in relation thereto as expressed by him, be printed as a document of this Board.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

Resolved, That the Board of Commissioners governing the Department of Public Parks deem it their duty to place on record their protest against the establishment and perpetuation of the boundaries described in chapter 522 of the Laws of 1884 as the boundaries of Public Parks and Parkways, for the reason that such boundaries are not in accord with the natural topographical features adapted to the limits of park areas, nor are they in harmony with the plans for the laying out of streets within the 23d and 24th Wards which have been adopted and established by the Department, under authority of the Legislature, after twelve years of thorough scientific surveys and studies of the topography of territory, its adaptability for future improvement, and the probable character of its occupancy.

The points to which specific objection is made, are :

(1) The location of the northern boundary of Van Courtlandt Park, directly on the northern boundary of New York City, and running across lofty hills and along steep hill-sides in a direct line.

(2) The location of the southern boundary of Van Courtlandt Park, running across irregular ground in a straight line diagonal to the direction of the established avenues of travel.

(3) The location of the boundaries of the Mosholu Parkway, which are made 600 feet apart parallel to a parkway from 100 to 300 feet wide, laid out to run through a natural valley which is not adapted to a wider street, and the whole aim and effect of which, together with its intersecting streets, is destroyed by its indiscriminate widening.

(4) The boundaries of the Bronx Park, as including a tract not suitable for park area and now occupied by buildings ad-

joining the lands of St. John's College, and as interfering with two main avenues of communication—the Edgewater road and Prospect avenue.

(5) The boundaries of the Crotona Parkway, as unsuitable to their purpose and unnecessary.

(6) The boundaries of Crotona Park on all sides, as not conforming to the lines of any streets, roads, or avenues, past, present or prospective or possible to be advantageously constructed, and as seriously interfering with the carefully designed system of through avenues of communication in every direction for one of the most important districts of the future city.

(7) The southerly boundary of St. Mary's Park, as not conforming to the topography nor the adopted plans of streets.

(8) The westerly boundary of Claremont Park, as interfering with the principal avenue through that district, and the easterly boundary of the same park, as not embracing a steep hill-side unsuitable for other occupation.

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to transmit a copy of these resolutions to his Honor, the Mayor, with the request that he cause them to be communicated to the Legislature as the protest of this, a regularly constituted department of the Government of the City of New York, against the mutilation of comprehensive plans of laying out a large city, devised after many years of study and a large expenditure of money, and that he request the Legislature to abrogate or amend the law in such a manner that the boundaries of any new parks which may be authorized shall conform to the topography of the country and the lines of established streets.

VIEWS OF COMMISSIONER WALES.

There are many very serious topographical objections to the lay out of the proposed new parks as provided for in chapter 522 of the laws of 1884. So serious are these objections that it is impossible to reach any other conclusion than that the Engineer in charge was unfamiliar with the country upon which these parks are to be located. At the hearing before the Mayor's counsel, in March, last year, these objections were set forth in a brief which I had the honor to present at that time. They are summarized as follows :

The general considerations which should govern the selection of park lands are that they should be centrally located, so as to be easily accessible ; they should be well distributed and generally of medium size ; land should be chosen which offers some special features—generally an extensive or beautiful view, or great picturesqueness in itself, and which is not well adapted for purposes of residence. It should be rather elevated, as tending to make it more airy and to render it easy of drainage.

The people chiefly to be benefited by parks are those who are obliged to remain in the city during the summer months, and parks should be so located as to be readily reached by children during the day and by grown people after the day's work is over.

The boundary lines of parks should, as much as possible, avoid straight lines ; indented lines are more graceful and better conceal the limits, if small, and afford greater park frontage.

The Pelham Bay Park, composing 1,700 acres, or about half the aggregate area proposed to be taken, lies altogether outside the city limits, being about 16 miles from the City Hall and 3 miles from the eastern line of the city. It would only be reached by an excursion occupying the greater part of the

day—would make a very long drive for those owning horses ; those who did not drive would be compelled to patronize the N. Y. and N. H. R. R. or some line of steamboats, thus requiring expenditure of traveling and of time that would greatly interfere with its usefulness as a park for all classes, and especially the poor who are crowded into our abominable tenement-houses.

Any public benefit accruing from the park, which would increase the taxable value of all adjacent private property, would be entirely for the benefit of Westchester County, while the cost of the park would be paid entirely by the City of New York.

The Van Courtlandt Park, composing 1,070 acres, especially upon its northern borders is generally very much broken up, is unfit for building purposes, and is rocky, broken, picturesque and wooded, and affords fine views. The exterior lines of this park are faulty in the extreme. For example, with a view to using a portion of it for a parade ground, it would seem desirable to extend it on the west to Broadway, which affords a large area of meadow land indispensable for such use.

North of the Mosholu avenue I see no reason why it should be extended farther west than Douglas avenue, thereby avoiding taking buildings and more expensive property on the line of Broadway, serving at the same time to break up the stiffness of one continuous boundary along Broadway. The arbitrary straight line forming the southern boundary is very injudicious ; it should conform to lines of streets and avenues already adopted. I am also very clearly of the opinion that the eastern limit of this park should be the Croton Aqueduct, as the land east of the Aqueduct is comparatively level and finely adapted for a region of residences, and much more useful for this purpose than it can ever be for a park ; besides, this good building ground would naturally be much more expensive than the rougher and more romantic portions to the west. It is wholly unnecessary to make the limits of Van Courtlandt Park so extensive.

The Bronx Park comprises 653 acres, and is divided by the Bronx river.

I consider it very desirable to take in a strip on the eastern bank, as indicated on the new Parks Commission's map. In this way only can be preserved the picturesque effects of the river border and the purity of its waters. There is no necessity that the park should be extended to the west as far as the Harlem Railroad and the Southern Boulevard, and over comparatively level grounds well suited for residence purposes. Less width would contain about all the land that is peculiarly suitable for this park. The westerly portion of Bronx Park is cut through by the line of Suburban Rapid Transit, but this is not shown on the map of the new Parks Commission.

Crotona Park comprises 135 acres, and is badly placed. It is too near the Bronx Park and most seriously in the way of the circulation of travel between the 23d and 24th Wards.

The avenues interrupted by this park are of vital importance as future main arteries of travel. The great mass of travel naturally passes by and down the Millbrook valley. The avenues left uninterrupted by this park would be wholly inadequate for the travel, and the interposition of the park forces a detour around its eastern boundary which would be a serious inconvenience to the community. Not only this, but the line of Suburban Rapid Transit passes through this park, although not shown on the map accompanying the report of the new Parks Commission.

The only recommendation that I can see that the land has for a park is that it is pretty well wooded; but it presents no views, has no special picturesque features, and in parts is unattractive on account of its swampy condition. It would most undoubtedly be malarious unless drained at great expense to the city, containing as it does the head water swamps of Bound Brook. The tameness of the topography fits the land for building purposes and unfits it for park purposes; streets can be easily put through it in any direction.

Why such an uninviting spot should have been selected for a park is beyond my comprehension.

It seems impossible that it could have been traversed when it was selected by the Commission.

Claremont Park contains 38 acres. The general adaptation of this ground for park purposes is excellent. It is high and commands fine views, and is already in a condition fit for use for a pleasure ground without additional expenditure. It is a great mistake, however, to carry the boundary across Morris avenue, as that is the main and only continuous thoroughfare lying between Webster and Jerome avenues, and should not be interrupted at any point. It seems to me it would be very much better not to take the Crotona Park, but to extend the limits of Claremont as far south as Overlook avenue, embracing the Morris homestead. This would interrupt no main lines of travel. Findlay and Fleetwood avenues, which would be taken in the limit, are merely detours from Morris avenue.

St. Mary's Park is a small affair, but it is a desirable spot for a park. One corner of this park is cut off by the Suburban Rapid Transit line; but this is not shown on the new Parks Commissioners' map; the line is represented incorrectly as going outside the park.

The contour lines of all these proposed parks in the 23d and 24th Wards are open to grave objection and severe criticism. The Legislature ought to make it possible for the City of New York to have the whole matter reviewed by those who are qualified from experience and knowledge to handle the subject.

In the consideration of this subject I have been greatly assisted by Messrs. E. B. Van Winkle and J. J. R. Croes, both able topographical engineers and thoroughly familiar with the topography and physical characteristics of districts where these parks are to be located.

GENERAL SUMMARY.

Two large driving parks are sufficient for the district lying above the Harlem river. In addition to these, several small parks can be advantageously located in various parts of the city, to be accessible and convenient for all. For sanitary reasons these smaller parks would be of great value to all classes.

Pelham Bay Park, by reason of its long distance from the more populous portions of the city, can never be made a useful and general resort for our people.

Crotona Park is an unwise and very injudicious selection.

The Van Courtlandt Park could be reduced in size by changing the present ill-arranged lines, and at the same time preserved as a great and beautiful park.

Claremont Park has fine park features; the lines should be altered and the area can be enlarged with great advantage.

The proposed Mosholu Parkway, 600 feet wide, is simply an absurd proposition. A connecting avenue of one-half this width will be more than ample for the purpose.

I believe that at least one million of dollars can be saved to the city in the cost of land alone, and without in any way sacrificing the value and utility of these proposed new parks.

I have not attempted to discuss the legal aspects of the question.

This point may be properly left to the judgment of the courts, where it properly belongs.

The property adjacent to the proposed new parks could not bear the strain of a large assessment for supposed benefits; therefore, the assessment must be general.

FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 1885.

SPECIAL MEETING—1 P. M.

The Board met pursuant to the following :

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, {
36 UNION SQUARE, April 10, 1885. }

Mr. E. P. BARKER, *Secretary* :

SIR—Please call a meeting of the Board for this day, at 1 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of providing for the performance of the duties of the office of Treasurer, made vacant by the resignation of Salem H. Wales.

JOHN D. CRIMMINS, } *Commissioners*
HENRY R. BEEKMAN, } *D. P. P.*
JESSE W. POWERS. }

Present—Commissioner CRIMMINS, President.

“ POWERS,
“ BEEKMAN.

Commissioner BEEKMAN offered the following :

Resolved, That the President be and he hereby is authorized and empowered to perform all the duties of the office of Treasurer of this Department until the first Wednesday in May, unless in the meantime otherwise ordered by this Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

On motion of Commissioner BEEKMAN,

Adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 1885.

REGULAR MEETING—10 A. M.

Present—Commissioner CRIMMINS, President.
“ BEEKMAN.

A quorum not being present,

Adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 1885.

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SPECIAL MEETING—10 A. M.
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The Board met pursuant to the following :

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, {
36 UNION SQUARE, April 18, 1885. }

Mr. E. P. BARKER, *Secretary* :

SIR—Please issue notices for a special meeting of the Board, to be held on Wednesday next, at 10 A. M., for the consideration of communications, reports of committees, motions and resolutions and miscellaneous business.

Yours, etc.,

JOHN D. CRIMMINS,
President D. P. P.

Present—Commissioner CRIMMINS, President.

“ POWERS.

“ BEEKMAN.

The minutes of the meetings of the 1st, 10th and 15th instant were read and approved.

The following communications were received :

Museum of Art enlargement.

From the President of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, enclosing a certified copy of chapter 106 of the Laws of 1885, relating to the enlargement of the Art Museum building, and requesting that early action be taken by this Board in the premises.

Mr. Theodore Weston, architect, appeared before the Board and presented plans for the enlargement of the Art Museum building, as follows :

- No. 1. Elevation of south front.
- “ 2. Elevation of east front.
- “ 3. Elevation of west front.
- “ 4. Plan of sub-basement floor.
- “ 5. Plan of basement floor.
- “ 6. Plan of principal floor.
- “ 7. Plan of gallery floor.
- “ 8. Plan of roof.
- “ 9. Plan of framing principal and gallery floors.
- “ 10. Plan of road approach.
- “ 11. Plan of longitudinal section.
- “ 12. Plan of transverse section.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Board of Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks do hereby approve of the plans prepared by the Trustees of the Metropolitan Museum of Art for the enlargement and equipment of the building now in possession and occupation of the Museum of Art on the Central Park, and respectfully request the concurrence of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment as provided by chapter 106 of the Laws of 1885.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Gravel—Comptroller returning proposal.

A communication was received from the Comptroller returning the proposal of George F. Doak, received on the 1st inst., in accordance with advertisement for furnishing and delivering screened Roa Hook gravel, where required on the Central Park and Riverside avenue, and stating that in view of the form of advertisement for proposals it is believed that

the supply of this material is not open to all bidders and suggesting that there be a re-advertisement.

Charles P. Miller, Esq., appeared on behalf of Mr. Doak and asked that whatever right Mr. Doak may have in the matter be not interfered with by any action of the Board until he may have an opportunity of fully looking into the matter.

Commissioner BEEKMAN offered the following :

Resolved, That the communication of the Comptroller, this day received, together with a copy of all the papers in connection with the proposal of Geo. F. Doak, for furnishing gravel, be referred to the Counsel to the Corporation with the request that he furnish this Department with his opinion as to its power and duty in the matter.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Board of Aldermen.

From the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen, transmitting the following :

Garciss, Augusta—To curb, etc.

1st. Resolution permitting Augusta Garciss to curb, gutter and flag the sidewalk in front of premises No. 633 East 142d street.

Referred to the Engineer of Construction.

Non-resident office-holders.

2d. A copy of a report of the Committee on Salaries and Offices of the Board of Aldermen, in favor of adopting a resolution instructing the Comptroller not to pay salaries of non-resident office-holders.

Laid over.

Board of Health—Telegraph wires.

From the Secretary of the Board of Health, transmitting a copy of a preamble and resolutions relating to the danger likely to arise from the street openings and excavation necessary for the proposed placing of telegraph wires underground if done during the summer season.

On motion of Commissioner CRIMMINS it was

Whereas, Under the authority given this Department by section 688, chapter 410, Laws of 1882, this Department has directed the Western Union Telegraph Company to place under ground their wires on 8th avenue, adjoining the Central Park,

Resolved, That hereafter no permission be given to erect poles, telegraph or telephone wires above ground, and that the law in regard to placing wires under the ground be enforced so far as this Department is empowered.

Museum of Art—Closing.

From the Director of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, stating the intention of the Trustees to close the Museum building from 14th instant to 5th proximo, for the necessary preparation of the 11th Semi-Annual Exhibition.

Ordered filed.

Civil Service—Eligible List.

From the Secretary of the Civil Service Examining Board:

1st. Enclosing list of persons eligible for appointment to the position of Superintending Gardener, as follows:

George C. Woolson, 80.5%.

Robert Demcker, 80.1%.

George W. Harris, 72.7%.

2d. Reporting favorably upon the examination of F. H. D. Mason for promotion to clerkship.

3d. Reporting favorably upon the examination of P. W. St. John for promotion to Foreman of Laborers.

St. John, P. W.—Appointed.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following:

Resolved, That Assistant Foreman P. W. St. John be and he is hereby promoted to the rank and pay of Foreman.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Woolson Geo. C. } Confirmed.
Mason H. F. D. }

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the appointment of George C. Woolson, Superintendent Gardener, March 18, 1885, and that of F. H. D. Mason, Clerk, April 1, 1885, subject to the approval of the Civil Service, be and the same are hereby ratified and confirmed.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Pilgrim statue.

From D. F. Appleton, designating the 6th day of June for the presentation of the Pilgrim statue to the city by the New England Society.

Referred to Commissioner Beekman.

135th street sewer.

From Henry P. Sandford, Julia A. Bunting and others, petitioning for the construction of a sewer in 135th street, between Willis avenue and Brown place.

Referred to the Engineer of Construction to report upon.

Lawton N. D.—Sewer, Fulton avenue.

From John A. Knox and Newberry D. Lawton, asking permission to construct a sewer through Fulton avenue and 168th street, to connect their premises on Fulton avenue with the sewer in 3d avenue, at their own expense.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That the petition of N. D. Lawton and J. A. Knox be referred to the Engineer of Construction for examination and report, and if he reports that there be no objections, that a permit be granted Mr. Lawton to construct a sewer in 168th street and Fulton avenue upon plans prepared by this Department. The work to be done under the Engineer of this Department and in accordance with such terms and conditions as may be specified.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Stuyvesant Square—Police protection.

A petition was received from the residents of the vicinity of Stuyvesant Square calling attention to the necessity for increased police protection at that Square.

Referred to the President.

N. Y. College Athletic Association.

A petition was received from the Athletic Association of the College of the City of New York, asking that a plot of ground in the Central Park be designated for their exclusive use for athletic sports.

Denied.

Lohengrin Boats.

From Thompson & Dollivar, applying for permission to place their "Lohengrin Boats" on Central Park Lake.

Commissioner BEEKMAN offered the following :

Resolved, That Thompson & Dollivar be allowed to place and operate their "Lohengrin Boats" upon the lower lake in Central Park, under such rules as the Superintendent of Parks may make, until June 1st next, unless otherwise ordered by this Board, and without expense or responsibility to this Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Ryan, J. P., License—Battery.

From J. P. Ryan, applying for a renewal of his license for selling refreshments in Battery Park.

Referred to Commissioner Beekman.

Float—3d Avenue Bridge.

From John C. Cornett, applying for permission to moor a float and let boats at the 3d Avenue Bridge over Harlem river.

Referred to Commissioner Powers.

Captain Police—Police protection, Central Park.

From the Captain of Police, reporting upon a communication from the Superintendent of Parks, relating to the necessity for a better surveillance between the 72d street entrances to Central Park.

Ordered filed.

Brook avenue sewer—Board of Assessors.

From the Board of Assessors, returning the assessment list for the Brook avenue sewer for alteration, and

From the Engineer of Construction, reporting in relation to the same and stating that in view of the tax maps having been

prepared it would be necessary to make an entirely new set of maps and sheets.

Commissioner BEEKMAN offered the following :

Resolved, That the communications from the Board of Assessors and the Engineer of this Department in relation to the correction of assessment lists for the Brook avenue sewer be referred to the Counsel to the Corporation with the request that he furnish this Department with his opinion whether this additional work can be charged for in the assessment list, and if not, whether it can be paid for out of the appropriation for "Surveys, Maps and Plans for the year 1885."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Topographical Engineer.

From the Topographical Engineer :

Railroad avenue opening.

1st. Calling attention to the fact that the draft damage map in the matter of opening Railroad avenue, east, from the Harlem river to East 161st street, was transmitted April 28, 1883, and that the draft benefit map was transmitted November 12, 1883, but no final copy of either map has been requested for the use of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment appointed in that proceeding.

On motion of Commissioner BEEKMAN,

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this Board, the interests of the 23d Ward are suffering in consequence of the delay in the proceeding for opening Railroad avenue, east, from Harlem river to East 161st street, and that the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in that matter be requested to use all means in their power to hasten the completion of the legal proceedings for the opening of that avenue.

Works in progress.

2d. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Smith, J. B.—Salary.

3d. Enclosing an application from James B. Smith, Skilled Laborer, for an increase of pay.

Ordered filed.

McGovern James—Salary.

4th. Enclosing an application from James McGovern, Skilled Laborer, for an increase of pay.

Ordered filed.

Bailey avenue.

5th. Submitting a map, plan and profile showing Bailey avenue, from Boston avenue to Van Cortlandt avenue, for adoption preliminary to preparing the Rule map.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That under and by virtue of the powers conferred upon the Commissioners of Public Parks, by chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, they do hereby establish the grades of Bailey avenue from Boston avenue to Van Cortlandt, as shown on a map or plan entitled "Plan and profile showing Bailey avenue, from Boston avenue to Van Cortlandt avenue, in the 24th Ward of the City of New York," dated "New York, April 20, 1885." and signed "S. F. Chalfin, Topographical Engineer, Department Public Parks," the same being such as the said Commissioners or a majority of them deem most conducive to the public good ; and that the President be and he is hereby designated and directed to have prepared and to certify and file three similar plans and profiles of the same, in pursuance of the provisions of the Law above cited.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Sewers required in 23d and 24th Wards.

From Engineer of Construction and Topographical Engineer, reporting in relation to the streets and avenues in the 23d and 24th Wards through which sewers should be built as a sanitary necessity.

Sewer 147th street—Mill Brook avenue.

Commissioner BEEKMAN offered the following :

Resolved, That the Engineer of Construction be directed to prepare plans and specifications for the construction of a sewer in East 147th street, from North 3d to Brook avenue, with branches, etc., as provided in plan of drainage for Sewerage District No. 33A, and submit them to the Board, and that the Topographical Engineer be directed to prepare and submit a map showing the plan, profile and section of the Mill Brook drains, preparatory to their construction.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Engineer of Construction.

From the Engineer of Construction :

Telford stone from Boulevard.

1st. Stating that the contractors for building the street railroad on the Boulevard, had offered to allow this Department to remove for its use the Telford stone taken from the Boulevard north of 106th street, the Department to load and haul the stone.

Ordered filed.

Sewer-basin—170th street.

2d. Asking authority to direct the contractor for building the sewer in 170th street, etc., to construct a receiving-basin at the southwest corner of 170th street and Fulton avenue, which was omitted in the plan for that sewer.

Commissioner BEEKMAN offered the following :

Resolved, That a receiving-basin be constructed at the southwest corner of 170th street and Fulton avenue, in connection with the sewer to be built in that street, and that the matter be referred to the Treasurer with power to issue an order for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Riverdale avenue—Improvement.

3d. Submitting a plan and specifications for the improvement of Riverdale avenue, from its intersection with the northerly line of the Spuyten Duyvil Parkway to the northerly line of the City of New York.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That the plan and specifications for the improvement of Riverdale avenue, as this day submitted by the Engineer of Construction, be approved and ordered printed, and when so printed and approved as to form by the Counsel to the Corporation, that the Secretary be directed to insert an advertisement in the *City Record* inviting proposals for doing the work.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Sewer—165th street.

4th. Submitting a plan and specifications for constructing a sewer in 165th street, from Washington avenue to North Third avenue, with a branch, etc.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that said plan and specifications be approved.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards.

From the Superintendent of the 23d and 24th Wards.

Works in Progress.

1st. Reporting upon the works in progress under his charge.

Ordered filed.

Suspensions.

2d. Reporting the suspension of men and teams during stormy weather.

Approved.

Architect.

From the Architect.

Carriage-shed—Claremont.

1st. Submitting plans and elevations for a carriage-shed proposed to be erected at Claremont on Riverside Park, with an estimate of the cost.

Referred to Commissioner Powers to report upon.

Plan Riverside Park.

2d. Submitting a plan for the final surface improvement of Riverside Park above 115th street.

Laid over.

Gates—3d ave. bridge.

3d. Submitting plans and estimates for iron folding gates proposed to be erected at the head of the stone steps leading to the river at the 3d avenue bridge.

Referred to Commissioner Beekman to report upon.

Audit,

Commissioner POWERS, from the Auditing Committee, presented the following reports:

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval:

Barker, Wm. H., binding	Crosswalks, Willis Ave, bet., Southern Boulevard and N. 3d Ave..	\$6 25
Barker, Wm. H., binding	Crosswalks, Morris Ave., bet. Southern Boulevard and R. R. Ave..	6 25
Bell Brothers, spruce	Harlem R. Bdgs..	115 00
Bromhead, G. W., moving safes.....	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs.....	80 00
Dripps, M., maps.....	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs.....	12 00
Consolidated Gas Co., gas	Harlem R. Bdgs., 1884	2 62
Jones, Chas., Estimate No. 3.....	Sewer, Webster Ave., from 165th to 184th Street.	4,474 54
Jones, Chas., Estimate No. 2.....	Pile foundation for sewer, Webster Ave., from 165th to 184th Street.	3,260 25
Kirkpatrick, Thos., badge.....	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs.....	30 00

Leonard & McCoy, repairs to engine . . .	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs	\$45 30
The J. L. Mott Iron Works, castings, etc	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs	255 66
McGrath, Denis, Estimate No. 2	Regulating, etc., 156th St., from N. 3d to R. R. Avenue (East).	1,055 25
O'Brien, W. K. & Bro., frame	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs	15 00
Robitzek, G. & Bro., coal	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs	86 25
Warren, Samuel E., engrossing	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs	50 00
		<u>\$9,494 37</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance, Supplies, Construction and Repairs.	\$574 21
Harlem River Bridges	115 00
Harlem River Bridges, 1884	2 02
Street Improvements.	8,802 54
	<u>\$9,494 37</u>

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of ninety-four hundred and ninety-four dollars and thirty seven cents.

(Signed)

JESSE W. POWERS,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, April 22, 1885.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

McNab & Harlin Manufacturing Co., galvanized pipe.	Riverside Park, 1884.	\$211 74
McLoughlin, Jas., labor and materials. .	Riverside Park, 1884.	36 85
The Metropolitan Telephone and Tele- graph Co., rental.	Telephonic Ser- vice, 1884.	312 50
Mutual District Messenger Co., ser- vices.	Labor, Maint. and Supplies, 1884. .	2 07
		\$563 16

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance and Supplies, 1884.	\$2 07
Riverside Park, 1884.	248 59
Telephonic Service, 1884.	312 50
	\$563 16

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of five hundred and sixty-three dollars and sixteen cents.

(Signed)

JESSE W. POWERS,
Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, April 15, 1885.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

The Auditing Committee beg leave to report that they have examined and audited the following bills, and submit the same to the Board for approval :

Arnold, David P., meat.....	Zoological Dept..	\$273 00
Barker, Wm. H., binding.....	Paving Courtland Ave., from N. 3d Ave. to 156th St.	7 00
Barker, Wm. H., binding.....	Sewer, Grove St., bet. Brook and N. 3d Ave., with branches.....	8 75
Barron, Jas. S. & Co., brooms.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	5 63
Brandis, F. E., sundries.....	Surveys, Maps, and Plans.....	222 60
Brandis, F. E., sundries.....	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs.....	55 01
Bremner, J. P., Agent, coal.....	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs.....	66 50
Chalfin, S. F., petty expenses.....	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	\$1 70
	Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps.....	88 29
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Carroll, Thomas, labor and materials..	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	89 99
		12 00
Central Gas-light Co., removing lamp..	Sewer, N. 3d Ave. and Boston Rd., bet. Brook Ave. and 167th St...	11 50
Connolly, John E., salt.....	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs.....	3 00

Coffin, Paul C., sundries	Surveys, Maps and Plans	\$3 01
Coffin, Paul C., corn brooms, etc.	Zoological Dept.	25 18
Coffin, Paul C., steel rakes, etc.	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs.	\$60 90
	Harlem R. Bdgs.	2 58
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		63 48
Ehrenreich Bros., coal.	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs.	36 25
Gill & Baird, Nova Scotia stone.	Entrances Central Park, at 8th Ave., 77th and 81st Streets.	113 00
Hodgman & Co., hip boots.	Sewers and drains.	22 47
Howard & Morse, wire.	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs.	5 07
Kellogg, M. A., petty expenses.	Surveys, Maps and Plans.	14 54
Marquand, H. G., Treasurer Museum of Art.	Maint. Museums,	1,701 74
Martins, J. M. C. & Sons, brushes.	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.	\$5 57
	Bridge and approaches over Mott Ave. Canal, at 138th St.	11 75
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McClave, E. W. & Co., lumber.	Zoological Dept.	72 79
McKenny, J. H. & Co., wreaths, etc.	Police	70 20
McNab & Harlin Mfg. Co., fitting, etc.	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs.	\$4 22
	Harlem R. Bdgs.	2 21
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Morgan, J. P., Treasurer Museum Natural History.	Maint. Museums.	1,615 25
The N. Y. Mutual Gas-light Co., rent.	Rents, D. P. P.	625 00
The N. Y. Mutual Gas-light Co., gas.	Labor, Maint., Supplies, Const. and Repairs.	35 10

New York Belting and Packing Co., hose.....	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs.....	\$57 00	
	Riverside Park...	42 50	
	Harlem R. Bdgs..	54 50	
			<hr/> \$154 00
O'Donnell & Treanor, coal.....	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs.....	\$155 50	
	Zoological Dept...	54 50	
	Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	4 50	
	Surveying, Laying- out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps.....	4 50	
			<hr/> 219 00
O'Brien, M., milk	Zoological Dept..	14 88	
Pridgeon's Hamilton Bakery, bread...	Zoological Dept..	69 75	
Pierson & Co., wire.....	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs	79 71	
Raynolds, C. T. & Co., white lead, etc.	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs.....	67 45	
Robitzek, G. & Bros., coal.....	Riverside Park...	5 25	
Robitzek, G. & Bros., coal	Harlem R. Bdgs..	10 50	
Robitzek, G. & Bros., coal.....	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	13 00	
Starke, Caspar, harness repairs	Maint. 23d & 24th Wards.....	23 80	
Smith, Clifford E., wheels	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs.....	21 00	
Scoville Mfg. Co., buttons.....	Police	161 25	
Scott, D., fish	Zoological Dept..	10 85	
Tatham & Brothers, lead pipe.....	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs.....	11 90	
Videtti, Alfred, row boats.....	Sewers and Drains	25 00	
White, Chas. W., lumber.....	Labor, Maint., Sup- plies, Const. and Repairs	977 84	
			<hr/> <hr/> \$7,047 39

RECAPITULATION.

Labor, Maintenance, Supplies, Construction and Repairs.	\$1,636 45	
Zoological Department.....	521 35	
Maintenance 23d and 24th Wards.....	48 00	
Harlem River Bridges.....	69 79	
Surveying, Laying-out, etc., Tax and Assessment Maps.	92 79	
Street Improvements.....	27 25	
Maintenance Museums.....	3,316 99	
Surveys, Maps and Plans.....	258 35	
Bridges and Approaches to Mott Haven Canal, at 138th Street.....	11 75	
Entrances Central Park, at 8th Avenue, 77th and 81st Streets.....	113 00	
Police.....	231 45	
Sewers and Drains.....	47 47	
Riverside Park.....	47 75	
Rents.....	625 00	
		<u>\$7,047 39</u>

Amounting in the aggregate to the sum of seven thousand and forty-seven dollars and thirty-nine cents.

(Signed.)

JESSE W. POWERS,

Auditing Committee.

NEW YORK, April 15, 1885.

The above-mentioned bills having been read and passed on separately, the PRESIDENT moved that the Board do now approve them, and that the Secretary be directed to transmit them to the Finance Department for payment.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Assessment list.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the following-named assessment lists for laying crosswalks at the northerly and southerly intersections of 175th street and Railroad avenue ; filling sunken lots on the northwest corner of 165th street and Forest avenue ; regu-

lating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging the sidewalks four feet wide, and laying crosswalks in 148th street, from the easterly curb-line of North 3d avenue to the westerly curb-line of St. Ann's avenue; constructing a sewer and appurtenances in 149th street, between Brook and Robbins avenues; paving with trap-blocks 143d street, from Alexander to Brook avenue; paving with trap-block pavement, the roadway of Lincoln avenue, from the Southern Boulevard to North 3d avenue; sewer and appurtenances in Walton avenue, from 150th street to a point 500 feet northerly therefrom; regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging the sidewalk four feet wide and laying crosswalks in 141st street, between the westerly curb-line of North 3d avenue and the easterly curb-line of Rider avenue; "regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging the sidewalk four feet wide and laying crosswalks in 142d street, between the westerly curb-line of North 3d avenue and the easterly curb-line of Rider avenue." "regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging the sidewalk four feet wide and laying crosswalks in 143d street, between the easterly curb-line of Brook avenue and the westerly curb-line of St. Ann's avenue;" "crosswalks in Morris avenue, between North 3d avenue and Railroad avenue; filling sunken lots on the northwest corner 165th street and Forrest avenue;" "sewer and appurtenances in 139th street, from the summit between Willis and Alexander avenues to Brook avenue;" "regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter-stones, and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide, in East 139th street, from the easterly curb-line of North 3d avenue to the westerly curb-line of Willis avenue;" "regulating, grading, curb and gutter stones, flagging the sidewalks four feet wide and laying crosswalks in 159th street, from the westerly curb-line of North 3d avenue to the easterly curb-line of Railroad avenue east; and crosswalks in Willis avenue, between Southern Boulevard and North 3d avenue;" and also the statement of the amounts and costs of the works therein mentioned be approved and signed by the Commissioners of the Department and transmitted to the Board of Assessors.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Costigan, T. P.—For appointment.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That Thomas P. Costigan be and he is hereby appointed a Blacksmith at \$3 per day.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the negative, a majority of all of the members of the Board not voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Noes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Transfer.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to transfer the sum of \$292.50 from the unexpended balance of the appropriation, maintenance, 23d and 24th Wards, 1884, for which it is not required, to the appropriation Harlem River Bridges, 1884, which is insufficient.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Civil Service—Reappointment.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That in accordance with Regulation XXXV. of the Civil Service Regulations, the following-named persons are hereby reappointed to the positions set opposite their names respectively, subject to the further pleasure of this Board :

John H. Moore, Inspector.
C. L. Twiggs, Jr., Steam Engineer.
John O'Keefe, Parkkeeper.
James E. Dillon, Parkkeeper.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Museums—Open on Sundays.

Commissioner BEEKMAN offered the following :

Whereas, By the closing of the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the Museum of Natural History on Sunday, thousands who can have no other time for visiting them are deprived of the rich benefits in recreation and improvement they are calculated to afford,

And whereas, Justice to this class requires that this restriction should be removed, especially in view of the fact that the Museum buildings were erected at public expense, and the greater part of the cost of maintaining them is annually provided for out of the tax levy,

Resolved, That the Trustees of said Museum be and they are hereby requested to open their respective buildings to the public on Sundays, from two o'clock to seven o'clock in the afternoon during the summer months, and from half past one to half past four o'clock in the afternoon in the winter.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said preamble and resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Engineer Construction—Harlem river bridges.

On motion of Commissioner BEEKMAN, it was

Resolved, That the Engineer of Construction be and he hereby is charged with the duty of inspecting from time to time the various bridges over the Harlem river, under the jurisdiction of this Department, and that he report thereon to this Board at its first meeting in each month.

Executive Session.

On motion, at 11.45 A. M., the Board went into executive session.

The following communications were received :

Engineer of Construction.
Draughtsmen.
Laborers.

From the Engineer of Construction, recommending the employment of a draughtsman, also twelve laborers for construction work on Riverside Park, near Claremont.

Commissioner BEEKMAN offered the following :

Resolved, That requisition be made upon the Civil Service Examining Board for two persons eligible for appointment as draughtsmen.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Laborers—Employment of.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That the employment of twelve laborers and four double teams be and the same is hereby authorized for work on Riverside Park.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Double teams—Employment.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That the employment of four double teams be and the same is hereby authorized for work on the Parks.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

8th ave. wall—Inspector.

From the Architect, recommending the appointment of an inspector on the work of erecting a wall on the easterly side of 8th avenue, between 77th and 81st streets.

Commissioner BEEKMAN offered the following :

Resolved, That J. O. Friel be and he is hereby appointed Inspector of the work to be done under the contract for erecting a wall on the easterly side of 8th avenue, between 77th and 81st streets.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Pavers—Employment of.

From the Superintendent of Parks recommending the employment of two pavers for repairing gutters, etc., in Central Park ; also a man competent to lay rock asphalt.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the employment of two pavers at \$2.50 per day each and one asphalt paver at \$3 per day be and the same is hereby authorized.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Parkkeepers—Charges.

Commissioner BEEKMAN, to whom was referred for investigation the charges preferred against Parkkeepers, presented the following report :

To the Department of Public Parks :

The undersigned submits herewith, for the action of the Board, the result of his investigation of charges preferred by the Captain against Parkkeepers, as follows :

Whalen, Daniel.

Daniel Whalen—Absent from duty without leave.

Guilty as charged. Under the circumstances no punishment is inflicted, especially in view of the fair record of the officer in the past.

Farley, James.

James Farley—Absent from duty without leave.

Guilty as charged. In view of the officer's explanation and his remarkable fine record, showing but two charges in twelve years, no punishment is inflicted.

Hirsch, Arthur.

Arthur Hirsch—Violation of rules.

Guilty as charged. Fined one-half day's pay.

Armstrong, T. H.

Thomas H. Armstrong—Absent from roll-call.

Guilty as charged. Fined one-half day's pay.

McInerney, Matthew.

Matthew McInerney—Absent from duty without leave, March 30, 1885.

Guilty as charged. Fined one-half day's pay.

McInerney, Matthew.

Matthew McInerney—Absent from duty without leave, March 31, 1885.

Guilty as charged. Fined one-half day's pay.

Tracy, W. D.

William D. Tracy—Violation of rules.

Guilty as charged. Fined one day's pay.

Hirsch, Arthur.

Arthur Hirsh—Not properly patrolling.

Guilty as charged. Fined one day's pay.

Dolan, John.

John Dolan—Absence from duty without leave.

Guilty as charged. Fined one day's pay.

Mahon, Francis.

Francis Mahon—Neglect of duty and violation of rules.

Guilty as charged. Fined two days' pay.

Commissioner BEEKMAN offered the following :

Resolved, That the recommendations as contained in said report be approved and the punishment designated in each case inflicted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Beekman, Commissioner—To conduct police trials.

The PRESIDENT designated Commissioner Beekman to conduct police trials until the first meeting of this Board in May next.

Dooley, John C. —Appointed.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That John C. Dooley be and he is hereby appointed a Skilled Laborer at \$2.50 per day.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Civil Service eligible list.

From the Secretary of the Civil Service Examining Board, submitting the following names of persons eligible for appointment as Parkkeepers :

T. P. Quick.
Edward McDonald.
John Donnelly.
Henry J. Dwyer.

Hall, Edward H.; Dwyer, Henry J.; Donnelly, John—Appointed.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That Edward H. Hall, Henry J. Dwyer and John Donnelly be and they are hereby appointed Parkkeepers on the force of the Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

McDonald, Edward—Appointed.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That Edward McDonald be and he is hereby appointed a Parkkeeper on the force of the Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Laborers—Dismiss.

From the Superintendent of Parks, submitting the following list of men whose services should be dispensed with for inefficiency :

Daniel Kelly, Laborer ; Frederick Welp, Laborer ; James McVey, Cottage Laborer—Foreman Johnson's gang.

Edward Byrne, Laborer ; Peter Colgan, Laborer—Foreman Donnelly's gang.

John Hogan, Laborer ; Thomas Green, Laborer—Foreman McGovern's gang.

Thomas Dillon, Laborer ; John Lane, Laborer ; John J. Bruton, Laborer—Foreman St. John's gang.

Commissioner POWERS moved that the above-named men be discharged, and that the employment of other men to take their places be authorized.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

McCann, Michael—Appointed.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That Michael McCann be and he is appointed blaster for duty in the 23d and 24th Wards, at \$2.50 per day.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Laborers—Discharge.

From the Superintendent of the 23d and 24th Wards, submitting the following list of inefficient persons, whose services should be dispensed with :

Phillip Foulhaber, Laborer.

Patrick Rooney, Laborer.

William Carr, Laborer.

Frank Massatt, Laborer.

Charles Seitz, Laborer.
Walter Doyle, Laborer.
John Gundling, Laborer.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that the persons reported for inefficiency be discharged, and that others be appointed to take their places.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Owens, O. E.—Discharged.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following ;

Resolved, That Owen E. Owens, painter, be and he is hereby discharged from the employ of the Department, and that the President be authorized to appoint a painter in his stead.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Broderick, Thos., discharged.
Costigan, John, appointed.

Commissioner BEEKMAN offered the following :

Resolved, That Thomas Broderick, police tailor, be and he is hereby discharged, and that John Costigan be appointed in his stead.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Kelly, Edward, appointed.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That Edward Kelly be and he is hereby appointed axeman, at \$2 per day for duty under the Topographical Engineer.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Riverside Avenue—Sprinkling.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That the President be and he is hereby authorized to employ watering-carts for sprinkling Riverside avenue during the present season.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Gardeners to be appointed.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the employment of four gardeners be and the same is hereby authorized.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Division Gardeners, pay of.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the pay of Division Gardeners be and the same is hereby fixed at \$2.50 per day, to date from the commencement of the next pay-roll.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Horses and carts, pay of.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the pay of horses and carts be and the same is hereby fixed at \$3.00 per day, to date from the commencement of the next pay-roll.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Music—Battery.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That arrangements be made with Bayne's 69th Regiment Band for furnishing music for concerts at the Battery during the coming season, and for calcium lights to be used on the evenings of the concerts.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Ladies' cottage—Lawn tennis ground.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Architect be directed to prepare and submit plans for a ladies' cottage to be erected on the north

meadow, a portion of the cottage to be used for storing implements for lawn tennis players.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

On motion, at 12.45 P. M., the Executive Session arose, and the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.

Wednesday, April 29, 1885.] 647

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 1885.

SPECIAL MEETING—10 A. M.

The Board met pursuant to the following :

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, }
36 UNION SQUARE, April 27, 1885. }

Mr. E. P. BARKER, *Secretary* :

SIR—You will please issue notices for a special meeting of the Board to be held on Wednesday next, 29th inst., at 10 A. M., for the purpose of considering communications, motions, resolutions and miscellaneous business.

Respectfully,

JOHN D. CRIMMINS,
President, D. P. P.

Present—Commissioner CRIMMINS, President.

“ POWERS.

“ BEEKMAN.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

The following communications were received :

Clerk—Street Openings.

From the Clerk of Street Openings, acknowledging the receipt of a communication from this Department, relating to the progress of various street-opening proceedings, and the

taking of lands for drains as authorized by chapter 360, Laws of 1883.

Ordered filed.

Civil Service—Inspectors.

From the Secretary of the Civil Service Examining Board, submitting the following list of persons eligible for appointment as Inspectors of Regulating and Grading :

Benjamin F. Crane,	Edward J. Dougherty,
John C. Dowling,	Thomas Pearson,
Thomas G. Liebenau,	Peter Meehan,
John T. Stevenson,	Z. Sherman Swartout,
Andrew J. Clark,	George A. Willard,
George Macdona,	John Corbley.

Ordered filed.

Civil Service—Inspectors.

From the Secretary of the Civil Service Examining Board, submitting the following list of persons eligible for appointment as Inspectors of Sewers and Masonry :

Michael McCann,	Edward J. Shea,
Michael McEvoy,	William Reilly,
Edward Fitzgerald,	Thomas J. Murphy,
James O. Friel,	John F. Turney.
William A. A. Carsey,	

Ordered filed.

Civil Service Draughtsmen.

From the Secretary of the Civil Service Examining Board, submitting the names of R. Meyer and George E. Fuechter, as eligible applicants for appointment as draughtsmen.

On motion it was ordered that said applicants for appointment as draughtsmen be summoned to appear before the

Engineer and be examined as to their fitness for doing the work required of them.

Viele, E. L.—Bill of Expenses.

From Egbert L. Viele, inclosing a bill amounting to \$275, for expenses incurred while a Commissioner of this Department.

Laid over.

Topographical Engineer—Draughtsmen.

From the Topographical Engineer recommending the employment of three additional draughtsmen and computers, and renewing his request of March 31, for the appointment of a draughtsman and computer *vice* F. S. Dodge resigned.

Requisition for Draughtsmen.

On motion requisition was ordered made upon the Civil Service Examining Board for three persons eligible for appointment as draughtsmen.

Culver, W. W.—Opening 164th street.

From the Topographical Engineer reporting upon the petition of Weeks W. Culver, Henry Ruhl and Gustav W. Fuess, for the opening of Cauldwell avenue, between Teasdale place and East 164th street, and stating that such opening does not appear to be needed at this time for either public convenience or drainage, and that when said avenue is to be opened one proceeding should cover its entire length.

On motion said report was ordered filed, and a copy sent to the petitioners.

Treasurer's Statement, }
Money deposited. }

The Treasurer presented a statement of moneys received by him and deposited with the Comptroller, which was ordered entered upon the minutes, as follows :

Statement and Return of Moneys made to Comptroller, April 22, 1885.

PERMITS.

1885.		
April 3.	James O. Kane.....	\$10 00
" 6.	Mrs. Denhon.....	10 00
" 6.	C. Van Riper.....	40 00
" 6.	J. Meisserschmidt.....	10 00
" 6.	Albert Ayres.....	10 00
" 10.	Wm. Suhre.....	10 00
" 10.	A. Bathgate.....	10 00
" 10.	Fred. Kurtz.....	10 00
" 13.	W. H. Buxton.....	10 00
" 13.	S. E. Olmsted.....	10 00
" 14.	Henry Felther.....	10 00
" 14.	Peter Harlich.....	10 00
" 14.	H. C. Thompson.....	20 00
" 14.	Geo. Weiss.....	10 00
" 14.	Geo. Scheibel.....	10 00
" 14.	Samuel Purdy.....	10 00
" 14.	A. McIntosh.....	30 00
" 18.	Jas. D. Clark.....	10 00
" 20.	Mrs. Dinant.....	10 00
" 21.	Peter Blauett.....	10 00
" 22.	John Quizley.....	10 00
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		\$270 00

LICENSESES.

April 9.	W. H. Radford.....	\$109 31
" 9.	O. H. Riker.....	1 42
" 10.	John Lucas.....	2 57
" 11.	Isidor Isaac.....	3 25
" 15.	C. S. Conklin.....	176 88
" 16.	Henry Phillips.....	250 00
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		\$813 43

SPECIAL FUND REPAVING.

April 6.	Daniel Malone.....	\$4 00
" 7.	Geo. Steele.....	6 00
" 10.	J. M. Burke.....	4 00
" 10.	Julius Welter.....	10 00
" 10.	John F. Crotty.....	40 00
" 13.	Geo. Steele.....	4 00
" 14.	Daniel Malone.....	10 00
" 14.	Jos. M. Burke.....	10 00
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		\$88 00

Museum of Art—Plans.

Mr. Theodore Weston, Architect, appeared and presented a form of contract and specifications for enlarging the Art Museum building in accordance with the plans presented and approved on the 22d instant.

Which was ordered transmitted to the Counsel to the Corporation for his examination and approval as to form.

Mill brook drains.

From the Topographical Engineer, submitting a map showing the plan, profile and section of the "Mill Brook drains," preparatory to their construction.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Engineer of Construction be and he is hereby directed to prepare plans and specifications for the construction of the Mill brook drains from Westchester avenue to their termination between East 141st and 142d streets, and submit the same to the Board for approval.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

81st street—Resetting curb.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Engineer of Construction be directed to proceed with the work of resetting the curb on the new line as established for the south side of 81st street, between 8th and 9th avenues, on the north side of Manhattan square.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Index to minutes.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to have prepared, an analytical index of the minutes for the year ending with April 30, 1885, at an expense not exceeding \$75.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Contracts to be printed.

Commissioner BEEKMAN offered the following :

Resolved, That specifications and forms of contracts for the following works, for which plans have been heretofore adopted, viz. :

1. Constructing sewer in 165th street, from Washington avenue to North 3d avenue, with branch, etc.
 2. Constructing sewer in Rider avenue and system of sewers in connection therewith.
 3. Regulating, grading, etc., Boston road, from Jefferson street to Locust avenue.
 4. Regulating, grading, etc., Tremont street, from Boston road to Bronx river.
 5. Regulating, grading, etc., East 149th street, from North 3d avenue to Southern Boulevard.
 6. Regulating, grading, etc., East 168th street, between Boston road and Union avenue.
- be prepared and printed.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Walks around Zoological Building.

A plan was received from the Architect showing a proposed new walk and bear-pit on the Zoological grounds in Central Park.

Commissioner CRIMMINS moved that said plan be approved.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Claremont Estimates.

Commissioner POWERS, to whom was referred the matter of improving the interior of Claremont House on Riverside Park, made a verbal report and submitted the following estimates for painting, papering, etc. :

Warren Fuller & Lange	\$759 95
W. H. Lunney	750 00

Commissioner POWERS moved that the Treasurer be authorized to issue an order to W. H. Lunney, for doing the work at a cost not exceeding the amount of his estimate.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said motion, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Civil Service—Parkkeepers.

From the Secretary of the Civil Service Examining Board, submitting the following list of persons eligible for appointment as Parkkeepers :

- James E. Grogan.
- Herbert M. Johnston.
- Patrick Conroy.
- James Macdonald.

Laid over.

Civil Service—Michael McCann.

From the Secretary of the Civil Service Examining Board, submitting the name of Michael McCann as an eligible applicant for appointment as Foreman of Masons.

Ordered filed.

Gravel Contract—Miller & Macfarland, attorneys.

From Miller & Macfarland, attorneys for George F. Doak in relation to the contract, as awarded to him on 1st instant, for furnishing Roa Hook gravel, and requesting this Department

to notify the Comptroller that it consents to the substitution of Charles Guidet on the proposal of Mr. Doak.

On motion of Mr. BEEKMAN, the Secretary was directed to transmit a copy of said communication to the Counsel to the Corporation.

N. Y. & H. R. R. Co.—Dangerous crossings.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to notify the New York & Harlem Railroad Company of the dangerous condition of the streets, roads, avenues and public places in the 23d Ward, crossed by the tracks of the Port Morris branch of the said railroad, and to direct the said company immediately to place, maintain and properly operate suitable and substantial, gates, doors, guard-rails or other protections, for the safety of the public, at each and every of such crossings.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Executive Session.

On motion, at 10.40 o'clock, the Board went into Executive Session.

Drivers—Pay of.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That the pay of drivers of carts and teams employed on maintenance of parks and places be fixed at the rate of \$2 per day, to take effect with the pay-roll commencing May 3. next.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Elevated R. R.—Battery.

On motion of Commissioner BEEKMAN, it was

Resolved, That it be referred to the Counsel to the Corporation to take such action as may be proper to prevent the further encroachment by the elevated railroads on the Battery Park contemplated in the construction of platforms extending along the tracks, and to compel the removal of so much of said platforms as may have been already placed.

The following communications were received :

Superintendent of Parks.

From the Superintendent of Parks, recommending the employment of men for work on the tar walks, and the promotion of Michael Crook to the rank and pay of skilled laborer.

Employment of laborers.

Commissioner BEEKMAN offered the following :

Resolved, That the employment of twenty laborers be and the same is hereby authorized for work on tar walks, and that Michael Crook be and he is hereby promoted to the rank of skilled laborer, at \$2.50 per day.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Superintendent 23d and 24th Wards.

From the Superintendent of the 23d and 24th Wards, recommending the employment of additional laborers and teams.

Employment of laborers and teams.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That the employment of twenty-four laborers and four double teams be and the same is hereby authorized for work in the 23d and 24th Wards.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Mt. Morris Park.

Superintending Gardener to report.

Superintendent of Parks to improve.

O'Brien, John, transferred.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Superintending Gardener be directed to report upon the condition of Mount Morris Park, with his suggestions as to the planting required for beautifying the said park, and that the Superintendent of Parks, with the approval of the President, be directed to proceed with the work ; that John O'Brien be promoted to the rank and pay of Division Gardener, and detailed for duty at Mount Morris Park upon his receiving the certificate of the Superintending Gardener as to his fitness for such promotion.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Woodstock drains—Plans for.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That, in accordance with the provisions of section 562 of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, as amended by chapter 430 of the Laws of 1883, the Engineer of Construction is hereby directed to prepare and submit to this Board proper and suitable plans for the construction of the drains within the district designated and known as the "Woodstock District."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirma-

tive, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Axeman—Commissioner Powers to substitute.

Commissioner CRIMMINS offered the following :

Resolved, That Commissioner Powers be and he is hereby authorized to substitute the name of an axeman in place of John Smith, appointed on 1st inst., who has failed to report for duty.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Grogan, James E.—Appointed.

Commissioner BEEKMAN offered the following :

Resolved, That James E. Grogan be and he is hereby appointed a Parkkeeper on the force of the Department.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Treasurer—Purchase wagon and harness.

Commissioner POWERS offered the following :

Resolved, That the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to purchase a business wagon and harness for the use of the Superintending Gardener.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

Barrett, Patrick—Appointed.

Commissioner BEEKMAN offered the following:

Resolved, That Patrick Barrett be and he is hereby appointed a blacksmith's helper on the force of the Department, at \$2 per day.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree to said resolution, and it was determined in the affirmative, a majority of all of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof, as follows:

Ayes—Commissioners Crimmins, Powers, Beekman—3.

On motion, at 11.30 A. M., the Executive Session arose, and the Board adjourned.

E. P. BARKER,
Secretary.